

## *10 PM Current Affairs Quiz Compilation*

**21<sup>st</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2022**

**PRELIMS**

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**Q.1) With reference to Great Knot Bird consider the following statements:**

1. It is a non-migratory bird species endemic to western ghats of India.
2. It is listed as Critically Endangered in the IUCN Red Data List.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: D**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The statement is incorrect. Great Knot Bird are migratory birds are spread across Russia, India, Australia, Bangladesh, Pakistan, etc.

**Statement 2:** The statement is incorrect. Great Knot Birds are listed as Endangered in the IUCN Red Data List.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

**Q.2) Consider the following:**

1. Rationalization of subsidies.
2. Decreasing the tax base in the economy.
3. Reducing bonus of the government employees.

**Which of the above measures is/are required to check the fiscal deficit of the country?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 3 only

**Answer: C**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** Rationalization of subsidies, reducing bonus of the government employees and increasing tax base in the economy are some of the measures required to check fiscal deficit of a nation.

**Source:** [Live Mint](#)

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**Q.3) With reference to the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence (GPAI) consider the following statements:**

1. It is an international organization that aims to bring prevention mechanism from the threat arising out of the cyber security by enabling global participation.
2. India is a part of this initiative.
3. UNESCO has an observer status to GPAI.

**Which of the statements given above are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: B**

**Explanation-**

**Statement 1:** The statement is incorrect. It is an international initiative to support responsible and human-centric development and use of Artificial Intelligence (AI). It brings together leading experts from science, industry, civil society, and governments to "bridge the gap between theory and practice" through applied AI projects and activities.

**Statement 2:** GPAI was launched in the year 2020 and India is one of its founding members.

**Statement 3:** UNESCO has also joined in 2020 as an observer.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

**Q.4) With reference to Network Readiness Index 2022 (NRI 2022) consider the following statements:**

1. One of the pillars used in the preparation of this index is the governance of the country.
2. The performance of India has declined in the recent index.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: A**

**Explanation -**

**Statement 1:** The NRI Report maps the network-based readiness landscape of 131 economies based on their performances in four different pillars: Technology, People, Governance, and Impact covering a total of 58 variables. The report has been prepared by the Portulans Institute, an independent non-profit, nonpartisan research and educational institute based in Washington DC.

**Statement 2:** The statement is incorrect. India has not only improved its ranking, but also improved its score from 49.74 in 2021 to 51.19 in 2022. India leads in several indicators. NRI-2022 report states that India has a greater network readiness than would be expected given its income level.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

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**Q.5) With reference to National Centre of Excellence for Green Port & Shipping (NCoEGPS) consider the following statements:**

1. It will provide the decision makers with methodology and framework to implement carbon neutrality measures and to meet obligations under the Paris Accord in the shipping sector.
2. It will work under the framework of the Sagarmala programme.
3. It will empower Make in India in port and help in facilitating Coastal and Inland water transport.

**Which of the statements given above are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: D**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** NCoEGPS will provide the decision makers with methodology and framework to implement carbon neutrality measures and to meet obligations under the Paris Accord in the shipping sector.

**Statement 2:** It will be working under the framework of the Sagarmala programme.

**Statement 3:** It will empower 'Make in India' in Port, Coastal and Inland water transport, and Engineering by developing state of art technologies and application products.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

**Q.6) Consider the following statements:**

1. Shore power helps in reducing the air pollution.
2. India is expected to set up facilities for providing shore power by the end of this decade.
3. India has been selected as the first country under the IMO Green Voyage 2050 project to conduct a pilot project related to Green Shipping.

**Which of the statements given above are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: C**

**Statement 1:** Shore power helps in reducing the air pollution. It is the power facilities given to ships docked to the ports so that their engines remained off. This helps in reducing the cost of the fuel of the shipping companies and also helps in reducing air pollution.

**Statement 2:** The statement is incorrect. India is already supplying shore power to ships with power demand less than 150 KW at present and targeting to supply shore power to all visiting ships.

**Statement 3:** India has been selected as the first country under the IMO Green Voyage 2050 project to conduct a pilot project related to Green Shipping.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

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### Q.7) Consider the following statements:

1. India's per capita income has not improved much compared to its economic growth.
2. India needs to raise the Gross Fixed Capital Formation rate to achieve the status of a developed country.

Select the correct statements using the codes given below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: C**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** India is currently fifth largest economy. However, its per capita income is low when compared to its economic growth. In 2020, India's rank was 142 out of 197 countries.

**Statement 2:** India needs to raise the Gross Fixed Capital Formation rate from the current level of 28% of GDP to 33% of GDP and it needs to maintain the incremental capital output ratio at 4 to achieve the status of a developed country.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

### Q.8) With reference to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) consider the following statements:

1. It is an international legal instrument that requires countries to eliminate discrimination against women and girls in all areas.
2. India is one of the nations to ratify the convention.

Select the correct statements using the codes given below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: C**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** It is an UN convention and an international legal instrument that requires countries to eliminate discrimination against women and girls in all areas.

**Statement 2:** India ratified CEDAW in 1993.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

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### Q.9) Consider the following statements:

1. Refugees registered directly with the Government of India can possess government-issued documents whereas refugees registered with UNHCR cannot.
2. Women and girls account for less than half of the total refugees in India.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: C**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** Refugees registered directly with the Government of India can possess government-issued documents whereas refugees registered with UNHCR cannot.

**Statement 2:** The statement is incorrect. Women and girls account for more than half of the total refugees in India.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

### Q.10) Consider the following statements:

1. The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) is the apex body for coordinating, guiding, and managing research and education in agriculture in the entire country.
2. ICAR comes under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.
3. Agricultural education is mentioned in the Union List of the Seventh Schedule.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: A**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) is the apex body for coordinating, guiding, and managing research and education in agriculture in the entire country.

**Statement 2:** ICAR comes under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

**Statement 3:** The statement is incorrect. Agricultural education is mentioned in the State List of the Seventh Schedule.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)



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### PRELIMS

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**Q.1) With reference to North Indian Rosewood (Shisham trees) consider the following statements:**

1. It is native to the foothills of the Himalayas.
2. It is listed as Endangered in the IUCN Red Data Book.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: A**

**Explanation** – North Indian Rosewood trees are native to the foothills of the Himalayas ranging from Afghanistan in the west to Bihar, India, in the east. It also occurs naturally in Iran. It can withstand droughts of three to four months. **Statement 2 is incorrect.** It is listed as Least Concern in the IUCN Red Data Book.

**Source:** [The Times of India](#)

**Q.2) Hodi craft is associated with –**

- a) Nicobar Islands
- b) Andhra Pradesh
- c) Karnataka
- d) Uttar Pradesh

**Answer: A**

**Explanation** – Hodi craft is the traditional craft of the Nicobari tribes in the Nicobar Island. It is built using locally available trees or from nearby islands and its design varies from island to island. Hodi races are held between islands and villages.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

**Q.3) With reference to Koronivia Joint Work on Agriculture (KJWA) consider the following statements:**

1. It aims to promote the adaption of hybrid seeds in agricultural practices.
2. It is a process to advance discussions on agriculture in the UNFCCC.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: B**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The statement is incorrect KJWA aims at recognizing the unique potential of agriculture in tackling climate change.

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**Statement 2:** It was established at the 23rd Conference of the Parties (COP) in Fiji in 2017 as a new process to advance discussions on agriculture in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

**Source:** [Hindustan Times](#)

**Q.4) With reference to GO Home and Re-Unite (GHAR) portal consider the following statements:**

1. It has been launched by National Commission for Protection of Child Rights.
2. The portal helps in reuniting Myanmar refugees back to their homes.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: A**

**Statement 1:** GHAR portal has been launched by National Commission for Protection of Child Rights.

**Statement 2:** The statement is incorrect. GHAR portal aims at - digital tracking and monitoring of children who are in the Juvenile Justice system and have to be repatriated to another Country/State/District, Digital transfer of cases of children to the concerned JJB/CWC of the State. It will help in speedy repatriation of children.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

**Q.5) With reference to Leatherback Sea Turtle consider the following statements:**

1. It is the largest species of Turtle.
2. Andaman and Nicobar Islands is their only nesting place in the Indian territory.
3. They are listed as Vulnerable in the IUCN Red Data Book.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 1 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: D**

**Explanation -**

**Statement 1:** It is the largest of all living turtles and the heaviest non-crocodilian reptile.

**Statement 2:** In the Indian Ocean, their nesting sites are only in Indonesia, Sri Lanka, and the Andaman and Nicobar Islands. They are found in all oceans except the Arctic and the Antarctic.

**Statement 3:** They are listed as Vulnerable in the IUCN Red Data Book and lies in Schedule I of WPA, 1972.

**Source:** [The Indian Express](#)



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### Q.6) Consider the following statements:

1. Silent Valley National Park is located in Great Nicobar Island.
2. Ten Degree Channel separated Andaman and Nicobar Island.
3. Shopmen tribes are indigenous to Great Nicobar Island.

### Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: C**

### Explanation –

**Statement 1:** The statement is incorrect. There are two national parks and one biosphere reserves located in Great Nicobar Island. Campbell Bay National Park and Galathea National Park are two national parks present in Great Nicobar Biosphere Reserve.

**Statement 2:** Ten Degree Channel separated Andaman and Nicobar Island.

**Statement 3:** Shopmen tribes are PVTGs indigenous to Great Nicobar Island.

**Source:** [The Indian Express](#)

### Q.7) With reference to Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojna (PMMSY) consider the following statements:

1. It aims to bring about a blue revolution through sustainable and responsible development of the fisheries sector in India.
2. The scheme has been launched by Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying.
3. It aims to adopt cluster-based approaches and create fisheries clusters through backward and forward linkages.

### Which of the statements given above are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: D**

### Explanation –

**Statement 1:** PMMSY aims to bring about a blue revolution through sustainable and responsible development of the fisheries sector in India.

**Statement 2:** It has been launched by Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying.

**Statement 3:** PMMSY aims to adopt cluster-based approaches and create fisheries clusters through backward and forward linkages.

**Source:** [AIR](#)

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**Q.8) With reference to Fisheries sector in India consider the following statements:**

1. The share of fisheries sector in the total GDP has been declining in recent years.
2. West Bengal has the highest share in production of fisheries in India.
3. India is the fourth largest exporter of fish in the world.

**which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 3 only
- d) 2 and 3 only

**Answer: C**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The statement is incorrect. The share of fisheries sector in the total GDP has been improving. As per the Economic Survey 2021-22, the fisheries sector has demonstrated double-digit average annual growth of 10.87% since 2014-15 with record fish production of 145 lakh tons during 2020-21.

**Statement 2:** The statement is incorrect. Andhra Pradesh is top fish producing state in India followed by West Bengal.

**Statement 3:** India is the fourth largest exporter of fish in the world.

**Source:** [AIR](#)

**Q.9) Consider the following statements:**

1. Reduction in mortality rate leads to a decline in population whereas a decline in fertility rate increases population growth.
2. India has reached replacement-level fertility rate.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: B**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The statement is incorrect. Reduction in mortality rate leads to an increase in population whereas a decline in fertility rate decreases population growth.

**Statement 2:** India has reached replacement-level fertility rate.

**Source:** [The Indian Express](#)

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### Q.10) Consider the following statements:

1. There is no specific law in India that deals with health emergency like pandemic.
2. Right to health and medical care are included under the ambit of Article 21 of the Indian Constitution.
3. The pandemic saw the dissolution of separation of power in India.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 3 only
- c) 2 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: D**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** There is no specific law in India that deals with health emergency like pandemic.

**Statement 2:** The Supreme Court of India has declared that the right to life guaranteed under Article 21 includes right to health and medical care.

**Statement 3:** The pandemic saw the dissolution of separation of power in Indian as states and center fought over oxygen and Delhi High Court took matters in its own hand to supply the oxygen.

**Source:** [Live Law](#)

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**Q.1) With reference to Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2022, consider the following statements:**

1. India has performed better than all other G-20 countries in the index.
2. CCPI is an instrument to enable transparency in national and international climate politics.
3. The index is released annually by United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) 3 only

**Answer: C**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** India has been ranked amongst top 5 countries in the world, and the best among the G20 countries in the CCPI-2022.

**Statement 2:** CCPI is an instrument to enable transparency in national and international climate politics.

**Statement 3:** The statement is incorrect. CCPI is released by German Watch.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

**Q.2) Consider the following statements:**

1. Cement industries are the largest consumer of groundwater resources in India.
2. India is the largest extractor of ground water resources in the world.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: B**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The statement is incorrect. Agriculture the largest consumer of groundwater resources in India. Groundwater is mostly used for irrigation purposes. About 87 per cent of the total annual groundwater extraction is for irrigation use.

**Statement 2:** India is the largest extractor of ground water resources in the world.

**Source:** [Business Standard](#)

**Q.3) Which of the following bacteria is the cause of highest deaths in India?**

3. E.coli
4. S.pneumoniae
5. K.pneumoniae
6. S.aureus

**Answer: A**

**Explanation –** According to the report published in Lancet, E.coli bacteria is responsible for most of the deaths in India. More than 75% of the 77 lakh bacterial deaths occurred because of three

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syndromes: lower respiratory infections (LRI), bloodstream infections (BSI), and peritoneal and Intra-abdominal infections (IAI).

**Source:** [The Times of India](#)

**Q.4) With reference to Election Commissioner consider the following statements:**

1. The tenure of the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) has not been defined by the Constitution of India.
2. The Constitution has not prescribed the qualifications of the members of the Election Commission.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: B**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The statement is incorrect. EC and CEC have a six-year term or until they reach the age of 65, whichever is earlier.

**Statement 2:** The Constitution has not prescribed the qualifications of the members of the Election Commission.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

**Q.5) With reference to Biodiversity Heritage Sites in India consider the following statements:**

1. These are unique and sensitive ecosystems having rich biodiversity.
2. These can be present in terrestrial as well as in coastal ecosystem.
3. Biological Diversity Act, 2002 empowers only the central government to notify Biodiversity Heritage Sites in India.

**Which of the statements given above are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: A**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** Biodiversity Heritage Sites are unique and sensitive ecosystems having rich biodiversity.

**Statement 2:** Biodiversity Heritage Sites can be terrestrial, coastal and inland waters or marine ecosystems.

**Statement 3:** the statement is incorrect. As per Biological Diversity Act, 2002, State Governments can notify in the official gazette, in consultation with 'local bodies', areas of biodiversity importance as BHS.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

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### Q.6) Consider the following pairs:

Biodiversity Heritage Sites: Location

1. Arittapatti: Tamil Nadu
2. Amarkantak: Madhya Pradesh
3. Mandasaru: Odisha
4. Naro Hills: Maharashtra

**Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 4 only
- c) 1,2 and 3 only
- d) 4 only

**Answer: C**

**Explanation-** 1, 2 and 3 are correctly matched. Naro Hills is Biodiversity Heritage site of Madhya Pradesh.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

**Q.7) With reference to increasing air pollution in the national capital of India consider the following statements:**

1. The reason behind rising air pollution in winter is that the emissions and dust get trapped in the thermosphere of the Earth.
2. Graded Response Action Plan has been adopted by the government which may ban entry of diesel-fuelled trucks in the national capital.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: B**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The statement is incorrect. The reason behind rising air pollution in winter is that the emissions and dust get trapped in the lower layer earth which closer and troposphere is the closest layer.

**Statement 2:** Graded Response Action Plan has been adopted by the government which may ban on entry of diesel-fuelled trucks in the national capital.

**Source:** [ORF](#)



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**Q.8) With reference to Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) consider the following statements:**

1. It is the largest grouping of states after the UN.
2. India is one of its founding members.
3. It does not have any permanent secretariat.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 2 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 1 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: D**

**Explanation –** NAM is the largest grouping of states after the UN. India is one of its founding members. It does not have any permanent secretariat.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

**Q.9) Consider the following statements regarding Inland waterways in India:**

1. Carbon emission from inland waterways is more than the emission from roadways.
2. Inland waterways are a cheaper mode of transporting goods than other means of transport.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: B**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The statement is incorrect. Carbon emission from inland waterways is less than the emission from roadways.

**Statement 2:** Inland waterways are a cheaper mode of transporting goods than other means of transport. A World Bank study has found that water transportation is about 30 per cent cheaper than railways and 60 percent less expensive than roadways.

**Source:** [Business Standard](#)

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**Q.10) With reference to Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) consider the following statements:**

1. It occurs when bacteria and viruses change over time and no longer respond to medicines.
2. The aim of Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) Multi-stakeholder Partnership Platform (MSPP) is to build global momentum and high-level advocacy to combat AMR.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: C**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** AMR occurs when bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites change over time and no longer respond to medicines. This makes infections harder to treat and increases the risk of disease spread, severe illness and death.

**Statement 2:** AMR MSPP platform is expected to drive multidisciplinary action at global, regional and national levels. It will also build global momentum and high-level advocacy to combat AMR, besides generating global commitment to use antimicrobials in a responsible and prudent way to ensure antimicrobials keep their efficacy.

**Source:** [DTE](#)

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### PRELIMS

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#### Q.1) Consider the following statements regarding Central Information Commission:

1. Chief Information Commissions are eligible for reappointment.
2. Chief Information Commissioner is involved in the selection of Information Commissioners.

Select the correct answer using the code given below

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: D**

**Statement 1** is incorrect. The commissioners are appointed by the President on the recommendation of a committee consisting of the Prime Minister as Chairperson, the Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha, and a Union Cabinet Minister nominated by the Prime Minister.

**Statement 2** is incorrect. The Chief Information Commissioner and an Information Commissioner shall hold office for such term as prescribed by the Central Government or until they attain the age of 65 years, whichever is earlier. They are not eligible for reappointment.

[Link](#)

#### Q.2) Consider the following statements about Inter-State Council

- 1) It came into existence through a Presidential Order
- 2) It is only empowered to discuss and investigate the matters involving 2 or more states, not the center and the states.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: A**

**Statement 1** is correct. The Inter-State Council was established under Article 263 of the Constitution, which states that the President may constitute such a body if a need is felt for it. In 1988, the Sarkaria Commission suggested the Council should exist as a permanent body, and in 1990 it came into existence through a Presidential Order.

**Statement 2** is incorrect. The main functions of the Council are inquiring into and advising on disputes between states, investigating and discussing subjects in which two states or states and the Union have a common interest, and making recommendations for the better coordination of policy and action.

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**Q.3) To which of the following initiative/framework, both India and Australia are member?**

- 1) Supply Chain Resilience Initiative (SCRI)
- 2) Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF)
- 3) Australia Group

**Select the answer using the code given below**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) All of the above

**Answer: D**

India and Australia both are Commonwealth countries, and parliamentary democracies with similar legal systems. Besides, India and Australia also are members of the Quad, a trilateral Supply Chain Resilience Initiative (SCRI) and the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF).

Australia Group, informal association of 42 nations formed in 1985 that works to prevent the exportation of chemical and biological weapons and the materials used to produce them. India became its member in 2018.

[Link](#)

**Q.4) Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding G20?**

- 1) It represent over 80% of the world's GDP
- 2) It's member countries carry 75% of international trade.

**Select the answer using the code given below**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: C**

Both statement 1 and 2 are correct. This opportunity must not be frittered away. Together, the G20 members represent over 80% of the world's GDP, 75% of international trade and 60% of the population. There are a few wins possible for India.

[Link](#)

**Q.5) Hrusikesh Panda taskforce, is sometimes seen in news, is related to which of the following?**

- a) To demarcate boundaries in Meghalaya-Assam border.
- b) To reform the procedure of adding communities to the ST list.
- c) To create a framework for monitoring online consumer reviews.
- d) To propose regulations for genetically modified foods.

**Answer: B**

The Government of India constituted a Task Force on Scheduling of Tribes in 2014 headed by the then Tribal Affairs Secretary, Hrusikesh Panda. The task said that:

Firstly, the present procedure “defeats the Constitutional agenda for affirmative action and inclusion” and is “cumbersome” and “time-consuming”.

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Secondly, the current procedure is preventing at least 40 communities from being listed as ST. For instance, several tribes pronounced or spelt their community's name in different ways; some communities were split when new States were created leaving them as ST in one State and not in the other, and some tribes people were forcibly taken as indentured labour to other States where they were left out of the ST list.

**Source:** [Move to change 'cumbersome' procedure for inclusion on ST list is put on hold](#)

**Q.6) With reference to Election Commissioner, consider the following statements;**

1. The Election Commissioners do not enjoy the security of tenure and constitutional status of the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC).
2. The procedure for the appointment of Election Commissioners (ECs) is mentioned in the Constitution.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: A**

**Statement 1 is correct:** The Election Commissioners do not enjoy the security of tenure and constitutional status of the Chief Election Commissioner. The ECs can be removed on the CEC's recommendation.

**Statement 2 is incorrect:** The number of commissioners the Election Commission can have is not specified. Similarly, none of the statutes lay down the procedure for the appointment of Election Commissioners (ECs).

**Source:** [Indian Express](#)

**Q.7) Which of the following is/are the correct about Sea cucumbers?**

1. Sea cucumbers can breed sexually or asexually.
2. All Sea cucumbers are benthic, meaning they live on the ocean floor.
3. Sea cucumbers are essential for the survival of the coral reefs.

**Select the correct answer from the codes given below;**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: C**

**Statement 1 and 3 are correct:** Sea cucumbers are found in virtually all marine environments throughout the world, from shallow to deep-sea environments. They can breed sexually or asexually.

Sea Cucumbers are an integral part of the coral ecosystem as one of the main by-products of the sea cucumbers digestion of sand is calcium carbonate and this is essential for the survival of the coral reefs. They act like garbage collectors of the ocean world, and they recycle nutrients, thus playing an important role in keeping coral reefs in good condition.

**Statement 2 is incorrect:** Sea cucumbers are benthic, meaning they live on the ocean floor. However, their larvae are planktonic, meaning they float in the ocean with the currents.



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Source: [DTE](#)

**Q.8) With reference to the impacts of El Nino, consider the following statements;**

1. The phenomena of upwelling, where nutrient-rich waters rise towards the surface, is reduced under El Niño.
2. El Niño causes heavy floods in Australia and create drier conditions in the Southern U.S.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: A**

**Statement 1 is correct:** The phenomena of upwelling, where nutrient-rich waters rise towards the surface, is reduced under El Niño. This in turn reduces phytoplankton. Thus, fish that eat phytoplankton are affected, followed by other organisms higher up the food chain.

**Statement 2 is incorrect:** El Niño also causes dry, warm winters in the Northern U.S. and Canada and increases the risk of flooding in the U.S. gulf coast and south-eastern U.S. It also brings drought to Indonesia and Australia.

**Note:** La Nina causes heavy floods in Australia, create drier conditions in the Southern U.S. and heavy rainfall in Canada.

Source: [Are El Niño-La Niña weather patterns changing?](#)

**Q.9) With reference to Lachit Borphukan, consider the following statements;**

1. He is known for his leadership in the 1671 Battle of Saraighat that thwarted an attempt by Mughal forces to capture Assam.
2. The Lachit Borphukan gold medal is awarded to the best cadet from the National Defence Academy.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: C**

**Statement 1 is correct:** He is known for his leadership in the 1671 Battle of Saraighat that thwarted an attempt by Mughal forces to capture Assam.

**Statement 2 is correct:** The Lachit Borphukan gold medal is awarded to the best cadet from the National Defence Academy.

Source: [General Lachit Borphukan of Ahom Kingdom](#)



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**Q.10) Which of the following statement is not correct about Guru Tegh Bahadur?**

- a) He resisted the forced conversions of Kashmiri Pandits and non-Muslims to Islam.
- b) The name Tegh Bahadur was given to him by Guru Gobind Singh.
- c) He built the city of Anandpur Sahib in Punjab.
- d) He was publicly beheaded on the orders of Mughal emperor Aurangzeb in Delhi for refusing to convert to Islam.

**Answer: B**

He was born as Tyaga Mal. He came to be known by the name Teg Bahadur (Mighty of The Sword), given to him by Guru Hargobind after he shown his valour in a battle against the Mughals.

**Source:** [Indian Express](#)

**Q.1) Naseem Al Bahr, a bilateral Naval exercise has been conducted recently. Which of the following countries are involved in this exercise?**

- a) India and Oman
- b) India and Indonesia
- c) India and UAE
- d) Israel and Iraq

**Answer: A**

**Explanation –** Naseem Al Bahr is bilateral Naval exercise between India Navy and Oman Navy. The exercise was conducted from 19 to 24 Nov 22 off the coast of Oman and had three phases: harbour phase, sea phase and debrief.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

**Q.2) With reference to Leith's Softshell Turtle consider the following statements:**

- 1. They are endemic to peninsular India.
- 2. The species is listed on Schedule IV of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: C**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** Leith's Softshell Turtle is a large fresh water soft-shelled turtle which is endemic to peninsular India and it inhabits rivers and reservoirs.

**Statement 2:** The species is listed on Schedule IV of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 and it is classified as 'Critically Endangered' by the IUCN.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

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**Q.3) MAARG portal has been recently launched by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. It is related to –**

- a) Proving incentives to the manufacturing sector
- b) To boost startup ecosystem in India.
- c) To regulate illegal practices of IT sectors
- d) Helping in setting up Exclusive Economic Zones

**Answer: B**

**Explanation –** MAARG portal - Mentorship, Advisory, Assistance, Resilience and Growth, is a one stop platform to facilitate mentorship for startups across diverse sectors, functions, stages, geographies, and backgrounds.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

**Q.4) With reference to the Arctic Council consider the following statements:**

- 1. The Chairmanship of the Arctic Council rotates every two years among the Arctic States.
- 2. India is one of its founding members.
- 3. The member countries are provided military security from other countries.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 1 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 3 only

**Answer: B**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The Chairmanship of the Arctic Council rotates every two years among the Arctic States.

**Statement 2:** The statement is incorrect. The Ottawa Declaration established the Arctic Council. As per the declaration, the following eight countries are the Members of the Council: Canada, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Russia, Sweden, United States. India has observer status.

**Statement 3:** The statement is incorrect. The Ottawa Declaration states that there no military security is to be provided.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

**Q.5) Front of Packet Labelling (FOPL) was seen in the news recently. It is associated with –**

- a) Spreading awareness regarding malware threats.
- b) Improving the procedure of Right to Information applications.
- c) Informing citizens regarding unhealthy ingredients included in the processed food.
- d) Regulating OTT platforms.

**Answer: C**

**Explanation –** Front of Packet Labelling (FOPL) is to inform consumers which products contain excessive amounts of sugars, total fats, saturated fats, trans fats, and sodium.

**Source:** [The Times of India](#)

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**Q.6) With reference to Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award consider the following statements:**

1. It is the highest adventure sports honour of the Republic of India.
2. It is given by the Ministry of Culture annually.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: A**

**Explanation –** Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award is the highest adventure sports honour of the Republic of India. **Statement 2 is incorrect.** The award is annually given by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. It is given in four categories: Land Adventure, Water Adventure, Air Adventure, and Life Time Achievement.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

**Q.7) Consider the following statements:**

1. The retirement age of judge of a High Court is less than the retirement age of the judge of the Supreme Court.
2. India has the largest number of pending court cases in the world.
3. The procedure for the impeachment of a judge of a High court is different than the impeachment procedure of a Judge of the Supreme Court.

**Select the correct statement using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 1 and 3 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: A**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The retirement age of judge of a High Court is less than the retirement age of the judge of the Supreme Court.

**Statement 2:** India has the largest number of pending court cases in the world.

**Statement 3:** The statement is incorrect. The procedure for the impeachment of a judge of a High court is same as the impeachment procedure of the Judge of the Supreme Court.

**Source:** [The Times of India](#)

**Q.8) World Governance Indicator (WGI) is released by –**

- a) World Trade Organisation
- b) World Bank
- c) United Nations
- d) International Monetary Fund

**Answer: B**

**Explanation –** WGI is released by World Bank. It plays a key role in deciding sovereign credit rating of any country.

**Source:** [Hindustan Times](#)

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**Q.9) Which of the following ministry announces National Gopal Ratna Award?**

- a) Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
- b) Ministry of Defence
- c) Ministry of Science and Technology
- d) Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports

**Answer: A**

**Explanation** – National Gopal Ratna Award is announced by the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying. It is one of the highest National Awards in the field of livestock and dairy sector.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

**Q.10) With reference to Mission Amrit Sarovar consider the following statements:**

- 1. It is aimed at constructing 75 Sarovars in each district of the country.
- 2. The mission will play an important role in increasing the availability of water, both on surface and under-ground.
- 3. It will help in strengthen rural economy.

**Which of the statements given above are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: D**

**Explanation** – Mission Amrit Sarovar is aimed at constructing 75 Sarovars (ponds) in each district of the country. It will play an important role in increasing the availability of water, both on surface and under-ground. The rural economy will also be strengthened by the construction of multi-purpose Amrit Sarovars. It will enable fish farming, cultivation of Fox Nut in the lake and allow higher production of food grains due to an adequate irrigation system.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

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#### Q.1) Consider the following statements:

1. The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) is the National Standards Body of India under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution.
2. International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) is an international standard setting body that publishes international Standards for all electrical, electronic and related technologies.

#### Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

#### Answer: C

#### Explanation –

**Statement 1:** The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) is the National Standards Body of India under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution. It is responsible for the harmonious development of the activities of standardization, marking and quality certification of goods and for matters connected with it.

**Statement 2:** International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) is an international standard setting body that publishes international Standards for all electrical, electronic and related technologies.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

#### Q.2) Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary is located in –

- a) Ladakh
- b) Uttar Pradesh
- c) Karnataka
- d) Himachal Pradesh

#### Answer: A

**Explanation –** Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary is located in Ladakh is a high-altitude wildlife sanctuary. The proposed Dark Sky Reserve in Ladakh is a part of Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary.

**Source:** [PIB](#)

#### Q.3) ‘Ambition on Melting Ice on Sea-level Rise and Mountain Water Resources’ group was seen in the news recently. This group is associated with –

- a) Establish scientific mechanism to deal with rising sea levels
- b) Controlling ice and sea water in the water cycle.
- c) Increasing plastic wastes in the sea.
- d) Cryosphere loss

#### Answer: D

**Explanation –** ‘Ambition on Melting Ice on Sea-level Rise and Mountain Water Resources’ group comprises 18 countries that brings special attention to the role of cryosphere loss in global sea-level rise. The declaration of the group focusses on the role of cryosphere loss in particular in causing the crisis that threatens coastal communities, island nations and low-lying regions.

**Source:** [DTE](#)



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**Q.4) With reference Sangeet Natak Akademi consider the following statements:**

1. It is an organisation dedicated to the promotion of literature in the languages of India.
2. It collaborates with international organization to save the cultural heritage of India.
3. It was inaugurated by the first President of India.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 3 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1 only

**Answer: C**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** The statement is incorrect. It is the apex body of the performing arts in the country to preserve and promote the vast cultural heritage of India expressed in music, dance and drama. It also works with governments and art academies in states and territories of the country.

**Statement 2:** It collaborates with international organization to save the cultural heritage of India.

**Statement 3:** It was inaugurated by the first President of India, Dr. Rajendra Prasad in the year 1953.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

**Q.5) With reference to “Millets” consider the following statements:**

1. Millets were consumed by the people of Indus Valley civilization.
2. They require more water for growth than rice and wheat.
3. Millet is grown mainly in low-income and developing countries in Asia and Africa.

**Which of the statements given above are correct?**

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: C**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** Millets were consumed by the people of Indus Valley civilization. Millets are among the first crops to be domesticated.

**Statement 2:** The statement is incorrect. Millets require less water than rice and wheat for growth.

**Statement 3:** Millet is grown mainly in low-income and developing countries in Asia and Africa.

**Source:** [The Indian Express](#)



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### Q.6) Consider the following statements:

1. The Geneva Convention on Refugees applies only to political applicants and climate refugees are not included in it.
2. South Asia is more prone to climate refugees than other parts of the world.

**Select the correct statements using the codes given below:**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: C**

**Explanation** – Statement 1: The Geneva Convention on Refugees applies only to political applicants and climate refugees are not included in it. Statement 2: South Asia is more prone to climate refugees than other parts of the world.

**Source:** [The Times of India](#)

### Q.7) With reference to Fundamental Duties consider the following statements:

1. They were added on the recommendation of Swaran Singh Committee.
2. They are not enforceable by a writ of the court but are enforceable by law.
3. They have been adopted from the Canadian Constitution.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 3 only
- d) 2 and 3 only

**Answer: D**

**Explanation –**

**Statement 1:** Fundamental Duties were added on the recommendation of Swaran Singh Committee by the 42nd Amendment in 1976.

**Statement 2:** SC in 'AIIMS STUDENT UNION V. AIIMS' held that fundamental duties though not enforceable by a writ of the court yet provide a valuable guide and aid to interpretation of constitutional and legal issues. They are enforceable by law. Hence, the Parliament can provide for the imposition of appropriate penalty or punishment for failure to fulfill any of them.

**Statement 3:** The statement is incorrect. Fundamental Duties have been adopted from the USSR Constitution.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

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### Q.8) Consider the following statements:

1. A bank can reduce the level of non-performing assets by writing off loans.
2. Writing off loan is an action taken by lender whereas loan waive off can only be done by the government.
3. The writing off loans of private sector bank is higher than the public sector banks in India.

#### Which of the statement given above are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: A**

#### Explanation –

**Statement 1:** A bank can reduce the level of non-performing assets by writing off loans.

**Statement 2:** Writing off loan is an action taken by lender (Banks) whereas loan waive off can only be done by the government (like waving farmers loan due to crop failure or other reasons).

**Statement 3:** The statement is incorrect. The writing off loans of public sector bank is higher than the private sector banks in India. Private banks wrote off loans worth Rs 2.7 lakh crore in the last five years which is 27.28% of the total write-off of the last five years. On the other hand, Public sector banks reported write-offs at Rs 734,738 crore accounting for 72.78% of the total write-off.

**Source:** [ForumIAS](#)

### Q.9) With reference to Black Corals consider the following statements:

1. They are known as deep-sea corals.
2. They do not require light for their growth.
3. Black corals do not have symbiotic algae associated with them.

#### Which of the statements given above are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

**Answer: D**

**Explanation –** Black Corals are known as deep-sea corals are found in all oceans but are most common in deep water habitats of tropical and subtropical seas. They are located in deep oceans so they do not require light for their growth. Unlike reef-building corals in the shallower waters above, black corals lack symbiotic algae (zooxanthellae) in their tissues. Black corals are rarely black, but rather vary in color from white to red, green, yellow, or brown.

**Source:** [The Hindu](#)

### Q.10) The term “Greenwashing” was seen in the news recently. It means –

- a) Excess rain causing damages to crops.
- b) Production of environment friendly fertilizers.
- c) Producing power from the clean energy
- d) Showing a false image of the products being environment friendly.

**Answer: D**

**Explanation –** Greenwashing, also called "green sheen", is a form of advertising or marketing spin in which green PR and green marketing are deceptively used to persuade the public that an organization's products, aims and policies are environmentally friendly.

**Source:** [The Indian Express](#)