

10 PM Current Affairs Quiz Weekly Compilation

For UPSC CSE Prelims

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10 PM Current Affairs MCQs (25 July)

Q1. With reference to the National Crisis Management Committee (NCMC), consider the following statements:

1. It is a statutory body.
2. It is chaired by the Home Secretary of India.

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: The NCMC was granted statutory status by the Disaster Management (Amendment) Act, 2025. However, it is chaired by the Cabinet Secretary, not the Home Secretary.

Source- [HT](#)

Q2. Consider the following statements regarding the Henley Passport Index 2025:

1. India's ranking improved from 85th in 2024 to 77th in 2025.
2. Japan holds the top spot in the 2025 index.

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: Singapore, not Japan, holds the top spot in the 2025 Henley Passport Index.

Source- [TH](#)

Q3. With reference to the impeachment process for judges in India, consider the following statements:

1. The term "impeachment" is explicitly mentioned in the Constitution for the removal of judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts.
2. A judge can be removed only on grounds of proved misbehaviour or incapacity.
3. The motion for removal must be passed by a simple majority in both Houses of Parliament.
4. The final order for removal of a judge is issued by the President of India.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

Answer: (b)

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is incorrect:** The word "impeachment" is not explicitly mentioned in the Constitution for judges; it is a commonly used term.
- **Statement 2 is correct:** Judges can be removed only on grounds of proved misbehaviour or incapacity.
- **Statement 3 is incorrect:** The motion must be passed by a special majority in both Houses — absolute majority and two-thirds of members present and voting.
- **Statement 4 is correct:** The President of India issues the final order of removal after both Houses pass the motion.

Source- [IE](#)

Q4. Consider the following statements:

1. Most of the world's coral reefs are in tropical waters.

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2. More than one-third of the world's coral reefs are located in the territories of Australia, Indonesia, and the Philippines.
3. Coral reefs host far more number of animal phyla than those hosted by tropical rainforests.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Answer: (d)

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct:** Coral reefs mostly occur in tropical and subtropical waters where conditions are ideal (warm, clear, shallow).
- **Statement 2 is correct:** Australia (Great Barrier Reef), Indonesia, and the Philippines together host more than one-third of the world's coral reefs.
- **Statement 3 is correct:** Coral reefs are among the most biodiverse ecosystems, supporting more animal phyla than even tropical rainforests.

Source- [TH](#)

Q5. With reference to Vitamin D, consider the following statements:

1. It is a water-soluble vitamin.
 2. Its deficiency can lead to rickets in children.
- 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

Correct Answer: (b)

Explanation:

- Vitamin D is not water-soluble; it is a fat-soluble vitamin.
- Its deficiency leads to rickets in children, which causes bone deformities due to impaired calcium absorption.

Source- [TH](#)

Q6. Which one of the following Indian rulers was given the title of 'Kadaram Kondan'?

- a) Rajaraja Chola I
- b) Narasimhavarman I
- c) Pulakeshin II
- d) Rajendra Chola I

Answer: D

Explanation: Rajendra Chola I

- Rajendra Chola I earned the title "Kadaram Kondan," meaning "Conqueror of Kadaram" (present-day Kedah in Malaysia), after his successful naval expedition that extended Chola influence to Southeast Asia.

Source: [HT](#)

Q7. Consider the following countries:

1. Malaysia
2. Laos
3. Thailand
4. Vietnam
5. Myanmar

How many of the above countries share a land boundary with Cambodia?

- a) Only two
- b) Only three
- c) Only four
- d) All five

Answer: B

Explanation:

- Borders: Cambodia is bordered by **Thailand** to the northwest, **Laos** to the north, and **Vietnam** to the east. It has a 443-kilometre coastline along the Gulf of Thailand.

Source: [NDTV](#)

Q8. Consider the following statements about the EBP Programme:

1. The EBP Programme was launched in 2003 by the Government of India to promote ethanol blending with petrol.
2. The ethanol under this programme is procured only from sugarcane molasses, with no inclusion of other feedstocks such as maize or agricultural waste.
3. The programme aims to reduce India's dependence on crude oil imports, support farmer incomes, and contribute to lowering greenhouse gas emissions by promoting renewable fuels.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 1 and 2 only
- B) 2 only
- C) 1 and 3 only
- D) 1, 2 and 3

Answer: C

Explanation: 1 and 3 only

Statement 1 is correct: The EBP Programme began in 2003 with 5% blending and has set an ambitious target to reach 20% blending (E20) by 2025-26.

Statement 2 is incorrect: While sugarcane molasses was initially the sole source, the programme now includes other feedstocks such as maize, bajra, and agricultural/food waste to diversify ethanol production.

Statement 3 is correct: The programme reduces crude oil imports, promotes renewable energy, supports farmers by creating additional markets for feedstocks, and helps cut down carbon emissions.

Source: [AIR News](#)

Q9. Consider the following statements:

1. Pattachitra is a painting art form from Jharkhand.
2. Patua is a painting art from West Bengal.

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: B

Explanation: Only 2

Statement 1 is incorrect: Pattachitra: Pattachitra is a traditional, cloth-based scroll painting originating from Odisha.

Statement 2 is correct: Patua: It is a folk painting (stitched onto the scroll) that originated in West Bengal.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q10. Consider the following statements about IRNSS:

1. The IRNSS constellation consists of seven satellites, of which three are placed in geostationary orbit (GEO) and four in inclined geosynchronous orbit (GSO).

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2. IRNSS provides two types of services: Standard Positioning Service (SPS) available to all users, and Restricted Service (RS) which is encrypted and only available to authorized users.
3. The IRNSS provide positioning coverage with accuracy better than 20 meters within India and up to 1,500 km around its borders.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 1 and 2 only
- B) 2 and 3 only
- C) 1 and 3 only
- D) 1, 2, and 3

Answer: D) 1, 2, and 3

Explanation:

Statement 1 is correct: The IRNSS constellation has 7 satellites, 3 in geostationary orbit and 4 in inclined geosynchronous orbit at 29° inclination.

Statement 2 is correct: IRNSS offers Standard Positioning Service (SPS) for civilian use and a Restricted Service (RS) for authorized users with encrypted signals.

Statement 3 is correct: It uses L5 and S bands to provide high-accuracy regional navigation within India and the surrounding region (up to about 1,500 km), with position accuracy better than 20 meters.

Source: [IE](#)

10 PM Current Affairs MCQs (26 July)

Q1. With reference to the Palna Scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme.
2. It provides crèche facilities only for working mothers in urban areas.
3. The scheme covers children from 6 months to 6 years of age and includes health and nutritional support.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Answer: B.

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct:** It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme under Samarthya vertical of Mission Shakti.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** The scheme benefits all mothers, irrespective of their employment status.
- **Statement 3 is correct:** It provides crèche facilities with focus on health, nutrition, cognitive development, etc., for children aged 6 months to 6 years.

Source- [PIB](#)

Q2. With reference to the 97th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2011, consider the following statements:

1. It made the right to form cooperative societies a fundamental right under Article 19.
2. It inserted Article 43-B under the Directive Principles of State Policy to promote cooperative societies.
3. It authorizes only the Parliament to legislate on all cooperative societies, including those within a single state.

Which of the statements given above is/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 is correct:** Article 19(1)(c) was amended to include the right to form cooperative societies.
- **Statement 2 is correct:** Article 43-B was added as a Directive Principle promoting cooperatives.
- **Statement 3 is incorrect:** Parliament legislates for multi-state cooperative societies, while state legislatures legislate for others within their state.

Source- [PIB](#)

Q3. With reference to Bal Gangadhar Tilak, consider the following statements:

1. He co-founded the Deccan Education Society, which led to the establishment of Fergusson College.
2. He authored Gita Rahasya and published newspapers like Kesari and Mahratta.

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 is correct:** In 1884, Tilak co-founded the Deccan Education Society, which later established Fergusson College in Pune in 1885.
- **Statement 2 is correct:** Tilak authored Gita Rahasya and edited the newspapers Kesari (Marathi) and Mahratta (English).

Source- [PIB](#)

Q4. With reference to the National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA), consider the following statements:

1. NFRA is an independent regulatory authority functioning under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
2. Its headquarters are located in Mumbai, India.

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:

- **Statement 1 is correct:** NFRA is an independent regulator under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** Its headquarters are located in New Delhi, not Mumbai.

Source- [BS](#)

Q5. With reference to the Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System (IRNSS), consider the following statements:

1. IRNSS has three satellites in geostationary orbit and four satellites in geosynchronous orbit.
2. It is designed to provide precise position data in India and up to 1500 km beyond its borders.

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 is correct:** IRNSS constellation consists of 7 satellites, with 3 in geostationary and 4 in geosynchronous orbits.

- **Statement 2 is correct:** IRNSS provides accurate positioning services over India and a region extending 1500 km beyond its boundaries.

Source- [IE](#)

Q6. The Dangrek Mountains, seen in the news recently, separates

- a) Ukraine from Russia
- b) Iran from Saudi Arabia
- c) Israel from Lebanon
- d) Thailand from Cambodia

Answer: D

Explanation:

The Dangrek Mountains are a natural border between Cambodia and Thailand.

Source: [ToI](#)

7. Consider the following statements regarding Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH):

1. It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme implemented since 2014-15 for the holistic development of horticulture in India.
2. The funding pattern under MIDH provides for 60% Government of India share and 40% State share for general states, while for North Eastern and Himalayan states, the Centre's share increases to 90%.
3. One of the key objectives of MIDH is to promote skill development and generate employment opportunities for rural youth in horticulture and post-harvest management, especially in the cold chain sector.

Which of the above statements is/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: All are correct

Statement 1 is correct: MIDH is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme from 2014-15, covering a wide range of horticulture crops.

Statement 2 is correct: The funding pattern is 60:40 for general states and 90:10 for North Eastern and Himalayan states.

Statement 3 is correct: Promotion of skill development and job creation for rural youth, especially in post-harvest and cold chain management, is a key aim of the Mission.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q8. The Macquarie Island, seen in the news recently, is located in

- a) Indian Ocean
- b) Pacific Ocean
- c) Arctic Ocean
- d) Southern Ocean

Answer: B

Explanation:

- Macquarie Island is located around 1,500 km southeast of Tasmania, Australia, in the Pacific Ocean.

Source: [ZeeB](#)

Q9. Consider the following statements regarding the CROPIC initiative:

1. It is an app-based initiative launched by the Government of India to enable real-time collection of geo-tagged photographs and field observations about crop conditions directly from the field.
2. The data collected under CROPIC is intended to enhance crop area estimation, monitor crop health, and improve the accuracy of agricultural statistics at the national level.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A) 1 only
- B) 2 only
- C) Both 1 and 2
- D) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer: C

Explanation: Both 1 and 2

Both statements are correct: CROPIC uses mobile and geospatial technology to collect real-time, geo-referenced crop data, supporting better crop assessment, area estimation, and health monitoring for reliable agricultural statistics.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q10. Consider the following statements regarding the Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY):

1. The Ministry of Rural Development is the nodal ministry of the scheme.
 2. It to provide placement linked skilling for rural youth, who are poor and provide them with jobs having regular monthly wages at or above the minimum wages.
 3. The scheme provides compulsory inclusion of SC/ST, Women and PwDs.
- How many of the above statements are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None

Answer: C

Explanation: All are correct

Statement 1 is correct: Under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), the Ministry of Rural Development implements Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) and Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETI) programmes for skill development of rural poor youth through their employment to eradicate poverty in the country.

Statement 2 is correct: Objective of DDU-GKY is to provide placement linked skilling for rural youth, who are poor and provide them with jobs having regular monthly wages at or above the minimum wages.

Statement 3 is correct: DDU- GKY guideline provides social inclusion of SC/ST (50%), Women (33%), and PwDs (5%).

Source: [PIB](#)

10 PM Current Affairs MCQs (28 July)

Q1. With reference to the Atal Pension Yojana (APY), consider the following statements:

1. It is a Central Sector Scheme providing a guaranteed pension after the age of 60.
2. It is implemented by the Ministry of Labour and Employment.
3. Individuals aged between 18–40 years and who are not income tax payers are eligible to apply for this scheme.

Which of the statements given above is/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 is correct:** APY is a Central Sector Scheme that guarantees a monthly pension (ranging from Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000) after the age of 60 years.

- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** APY is implemented by the Ministry of Finance, not the Ministry of Labour and Employment. It is managed through the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) under the National Pension System (NPS).
- **Statement 3 is correct:** Individuals aged 18–40 years, who are not income tax payers, and have a bank account, are eligible to join the scheme.

Source- [ForumIAS](#)

Q2. With reference to Bhitarkanika National Park, consider the following statements:

1. It is located in the state of West Bengal and forms part of the Sundarbans delta.
2. It is India's second-largest mangrove ecosystem after the Sundarbans.
3. It has been designated as a Ramsar site.

Which of the statements given above is/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 is incorrect:** Bhitarkanika National Park is located in Kendrapara district of Odisha, not in West Bengal.
- **Statement 2 is correct:** It is India's second-largest mangrove ecosystem, after the Sundarbans.
- **Statement 3 is correct:** Bhitarkanika has been designated as a Ramsar site, recognizing its importance as a wetland of international significance.

Source- [FPI](#)

Q3. The Global SPECS 2030 Initiative, recently seen in the news, was launched by which of the following organizations?

- A) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- B) World Health Organization (WHO)
- C) International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB)
- D) World Bank

Correct Answer: B

Explanation: The World Health Organization (WHO) officially launched the SPECS 2030 initiative in May 2024. This global effort aims to help countries achieve the 2030 target of a 40% increase in the proportion of people with access to appropriate spectacles.

Source- [IE](#)

Q4. The conflict regions of North Kivu, South Kivu, and Ituri, frequently reported in the news, are located in which country?

- A) Uganda
- B) Democratic Republic of the Congo
- C) Rwanda
- D) Central African Republic

Correct Answer: B

Explanation: North Kivu, South Kivu, and Ituri are provinces in the eastern part of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). These regions have been experiencing prolonged armed conflicts involving over 120 armed groups, including the M23, Allied Democratic Forces (ADF), and CODECO.

Source- [TOI](#)

Q5. Consider the following statements regarding the Lokpal:

1. The Lokpal consists of a Chairperson and eight Members, of whom four are Judicial Members.

2. The term of office for the Lokpal Chairperson and Members is 5 years or until the age of 70 years, whichever is earlier.
3. The power of the Lokpal applies to public servants of India, but not to Indian public servants posted outside India.
4. The Lokpal cannot inquire into allegations of corruption against a sitting Prime Minister of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 1 and 2 only
B) 1, 2, and 3 only
C) 1, 2, and 4 only
D) 1, 2, 3, and 4

Answer: A

Explanation:

- Statement 1 is **correct**: The Lokpal comprises a Chairperson and eight Members, with four being Judicial Members.
- Statement 2 is **correct**: The term of office is 5 years or till the age of 70 years, whichever is earlier.
- Statement 3 is **incorrect**: The Lokpal's jurisdiction covers public servants of India including those posted outside India.
- Statement 4 is **incorrect**: The Lokpal can inquire into allegations against a sitting Prime Minister, but such inquiry requires approval of at least two-thirds of the Lokpal members.

Source- [PIB](#)

Q6. Consider the following statements regarding the National Mission on Cultural Mapping (NMCM):

1. It was launched by the Ministry of Culture and is implemented by the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA).
2. The Mera Gaon Meri Dharohar (MGMD) portal is launched under this Mission.
3. It primarily focuses on urban cultural centers and metropolitan cities to revitalize their economies through tourism and international cultural exchanges.

Which of the statements given above is/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: 1 and 2 are correct

Statement 1 is correct: The National Mission on Cultural Mapping (NMCM), launched by the Ministry of Culture, aims to document and preserve India's rich cultural heritage. It is implemented by the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA).

Statement 2 is correct: A key component of NMCM is the MGMD portal for documentation and public access, along with systems like Unique Cultural-IDs for artists to promote and safeguard cultural assets.

Statement 3 is incorrect: NMCM primarily targets rural and village cultural mapping to promote self-reliance and rejuvenate rural economies rather than focusing mainly on urban areas.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q7. Suru Valley, seen in the news recently, is located in

- a) Arunachal Pradesh
b) Sikkim
c) Uttarakhand
d) Ladakh

Answer: D

Explanation:

- Suru Valley is located in the Kargil district of Ladakh. It is a lush, green valley known for its stunning natural beauty, including the majestic Nun and Kun peaks, the Suru River, and vibrant vegetation.

Source: [HT](#)

Q8. Which of the following countries are members of the E3 group?

1. United Kingdom
2. U.S.A.
3. Germany
4. Japan
5. France

Choose the correct answer from the options given below:

- a) 1, 2 and 3
- b) 3, 4 and 5
- c) 1, 3 and 5
- d) 1, 2 and 5

Answer: C

Explanation:

- E3 Countries' group is an informal foreign and security cooperation arrangement between the UK, Germany and France.

Source: [ToI](#)

Q9. Consider the following statements about the Modernization of Command Area Development and Water Management (M-CADWM) scheme:

1. It is a sub-scheme of the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY).
2. It aims to modernize the irrigation water supply network using technologies like SCADA and IoT for real-time water accounting and management.
3. The scheme proposes underground pressurized piped irrigation systems to deliver water efficiently up to 1 hectare per farm.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None

Answer: C

Explanation: All are correct

Statement 1 is correct: The Modernization of Command Area Development and Water Management (M-CADWM) is a sub-scheme of Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) for the period 2025-2026 with an initial total outlay of Rs.1600 crore.

Statement 2 is correct: M-CADWM aims to modernize the irrigation water supply network using technologies like SCADA and IoT for real-time water accounting and management.

Statement 3 is correct: It will make robust backend infrastructure for micro-irrigation by farmers from established source to the Farm gate upto 1 Ha with underground pressurized piped irrigation.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q10. Consider the following statements about the Exercise Bold Kurukshetra 2025:

1. It is a bilateral military exercise between the Indian Army and the Indonesian Armed Forces.
2. The 2025 edition is being held in India.

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: B

Explanation: Only 2 is correct

Statement 1 is incorrect: Exercise Bold Kurukshetra 2025 is a bilateral military exercise between the Indian Army and the Singapore Armed Forces, aimed at enhancing operational coordination, particularly under United Nations mandates.

Statement 2 is correct: The edition will take place in Rajasthan's Jodhpur from July 27 to August 4.

Source: [ET](#)

10 PM Current Affairs MCQs (29th July)

Q1. With reference to the Barents Sea, consider the following statements:

1. It is a marginal sea of the Arctic Ocean.
2. It lies along the northern coasts of Norway and Russia.
3. It is separated from the Kara Sea by the Bering Strait.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) All three

Answer: (a)

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct.** The Barents Sea is a marginal sea of the Arctic Ocean.
- **Statement 2 is correct.** It is located along the northern coasts of Norway and Russia.
- **Statement 3 is incorrect.** It is separated from the Kara Sea by the Kara Strait, not the Bering Strait.

Source- [ET](#)

Q2. With reference to the NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR) mission, consider the following statements:

1. NISAR is an Earth-observing satellite built jointly by NASA and ISRO.
2. It will be placed in a sun-synchronous low earth orbit.
3. It is the first satellite to use two radar frequencies - NASA's L-band and ISRO's S-band - to monitor Earth's surface.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

Answer: (c)

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct:** NISAR is jointly developed by NASA and ISRO.
- **Statement 2 is correct:** It will be placed in a sun-synchronous Low Earth Orbit.
- **Statement 3 is correct:** NISAR is the first satellite to use both L-band and S-band radars together to track changes on Earth's surface.

Source- [IE](#)

Q3. With reference to the Brihadeeswara Temple, consider the following statements:

1. It was built by Rajaraja Chola I in Thanjavur.
2. It is dedicated to Lord Shiva and is part of the UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
3. It represents early Nagara-style temple architecture in South India.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

Answer: (b)

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct.** Built by Rajaraja Chola I in 1010 AD in Thanjavur.
 - **Statement 2 is correct.** It is a Shiva temple and a UNESCO World Heritage Site as part of the "Great Living Chola Temples."
 - **Statement 3 is incorrect.** The temple represents Dravidian architecture, not Nagara style
- Source- [HT](#)

Q4. With reference to the Kyoto Protocol, consider the following statements:

1. It is a legally binding treaty under the UNFCCC that commits developed countries to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
2. It was adopted in 1997 but has not yet come into force.
3. India is a party to the Kyoto Protocol.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
(b) Only two
(c) All three
(d) None

Answer: (b) Only two

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct.** The Kyoto Protocol, adopted under the UNFCCC, placed legally binding emission reduction targets on developed (Annex I) countries.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect.** The Protocol was adopted in 1997 and entered into force in 2005.
- **Statement 3 is correct.** India is a party to the UNFCCC, the Kyoto Protocol, and the Paris Agreement.

Source- [IE](#)

Q5. Match the following waterfalls with the states they are located in:

- A. Jog Falls – 1. Maharashtra
B. Napne Waterfall – 2. Karnataka
C. Nohkalikai Falls – 3. Meghalaya
D. Hundru Falls – 4. Jharkhand

Select the correct code:

- (a) A-1, B-2, C-4, D-3
(b) A-2, B-1, C-3, D-4
(c) A-3, B-4, C-2, D-1
(d) A-4, B-3, C-1, D-2

Answer: (b) A-2, B-1, C-3, D-4

Explanation:

- Jog Falls – Karnataka
- Napne Waterfall – Maharashtra
- Nohkalikai Falls – Meghalaya
- Hundru Falls – Jharkhand

Source- [TH](#)

Q6. Consider the following statements about the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme:

- 1) The scheme aims to make all the railways lines 100 percent defecation free by 2029.
- 2) Modernization of railway stations through this scheme is inspired by local culture, heritage and architecture.

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: B

Explanation: Only 2

Statement 1 is incorrect: The Amrit Bharat Station Scheme (ABSS) aims at development and upgradation of stations over the Indian Railways network.

Statement 2 is correct: The designs of redeveloped station buildings are inspired by local culture, heritage and architecture.

Source: [IE](#)

Q7. Consider the following statements about the Exercise Bold Kurukshetra:

- 1) It is a bilateral military exercise between India and Thailand armed forces.
- 2) The 2025 edition of the Exercise is being conducted in India.

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: B

Explanation: Only 2 is correct

Statement 1 is incorrect: Exercise Bold Kurukshetra is a joint military exercise between the Indian Army and the Singapore Armed Forces.

Statement 2 is correct: 2025 edition: The 14th edition of year 2025 will be conducted at Jodhpur, Rajasthan.

Source: [AIR News](#)

Q8. Consider the following oilseed crops:

- 1) Sesamum
- 2) Castor
- 3) Sunflower
- 4) Linseed
- 5) Groundnut
- 6) Niger

How many of the above crops are covered under the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)?

- a) Only three
- b) Only four
- c) Only five
- d) All six

Answer: D

Explanation: All are correct

Explanation:

- As per Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) portal, oilseed crops covered under insurance are- Mustard, Groundnut, Soybean, Sunflower, Sesame, Safflower, Niger, Linseed & Castor.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q9. Consider the following statements about the Namu Drone Didi Scheme:

- 1) It is a central sector scheme.
- 2) The Ministry of Rural Development is the nodal ministry of the scheme.
- 3) The major objectives of the scheme are to promote advance technology in agriculture for improved efficiency and enhanced crop yield.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two

- c) All three
- d) None

Answer: B

Explanation: 1 and 3 are correct

Statement 1 is correct: The 'Namo Drone Didi' scheme is a Central Sector Scheme for providing 15,000 drones to the Women Self Help Groups (SHGs).

Statement 2 is incorrect: The Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare is the nodal ministry of the scheme.

Statement 3 is correct: The major objectives of the scheme is to promote advance technology in agriculture for improved efficiency, enhanced crop yield & reduced cost of operation and to empower SHGs as drone service providers for increasing their income and providing livelihood support to them.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q10. Consider the following statements about the Dachigam National Park:

1. The Park is located in the Union Territory of Ladakh.
2. The park is famous for being the habitat of the vulnerable (as per IUCN) Hangul.

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: D

Explanation: Both are incorrect

Statement 1 is incorrect: Dachigam National Park is located 22 km from Srinagar in Jammu and Kashmir at altitudes ranging from 5500 feet to 14,000 feet.

Statement 2 is incorrect: The Park is renowned for being the habitat of the critically endangered Hangul, also known as the Kashmir stag.

Source: [HT](#)

10 PM Current Affairs MCQs (30 July)

Q1. Consider the following statements:

1. The Geelong Treaty is a bilateral Nuclear-Powered Submarine Partnership between Australia and the United States under AUKUS.
2. AUKUS is a trilateral security pact between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States launched in 2021.

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: (b)

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is incorrect:** The Geelong Treaty is between Australia and the United Kingdom, not the United States.
- **Statement 2 is correct:** AUKUS is a trilateral pact among Australia, the UK, and the US, launched in September 2021 to bolster Indo-Pacific security.

Source- [Forum IAS](#)

Q2. With reference to the UN Nelson Mandela Prize, consider the following statements:

1. It is awarded every five years to one male and one female from different regions.
2. The prize recognizes contributions in reconciliation, social cohesion, and community development.
3. No Indian has received the award yet.

Which of the statements given above is/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 is correct:** The UN Nelson Mandela Prize is awarded every 5 years to one male and one female from different global regions.
- **Statement 2 is correct:** It recognizes outstanding contributions to reconciliation, social cohesion, and community development.
- **Statement 3 is correct:** No Indian has received the award so far (as of 2025).

Source- [UN](#)

Q3. With reference to the FIDE Women's World Cup 2025, consider the following statements:

1. Divya Deshmukh won the 2025 Women's World Cup.
2. FIDE is the governing body of international chess competitions headquartered in London.

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:

- **Statement 1 is correct:** Divya Deshmukh won the 2025 FIDE Women's World Cup by defeating Humpy Koneru in Batumi, Georgia.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** FIDE's headquarters are currently in Lausanne, Switzerland, not London. It was founded in 1924 in Paris.

Source- [TH](#)

Q4. Exercise Drone Prahar, recently seen in the news, is:

- (a) A joint counter-insurgency exercise between India and the United States
- (b) A naval anti-drone defence exercise conducted in the Arabian Sea
- (c) An Indian Army drill to validate the integration of drone technology in battlefield operations
- (d) An international air force training program on drone swarm warfare

Answer: (c)

Explanation: Exercise Drone Prahar is a high-tech military exercise conducted by the Indian Army to test and validate the use of drone technology in tactical battlefield scenarios.

Source- [ET](#)

Q5. With reference to the e-SHRAM Portal, consider the following statements:

1. It was launched by the Ministry of Labour and Employment to create a national database of unorganised workers.
2. Individuals registered under EPFO or ESIC are eligible to register on the e-SHRAM Portal.
3. To register on the portal, the applicant must be between 16 and 59 years of age and working in the unorganised sector.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Answer: (a)

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct:** The e-SHRAM Portal was launched by the Ministry of Labour and Employment to register unorganised workers across India.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** Workers who are members of EPFO or ESIC are not eligible to register on the e-SHRAM Portal.
- **Statement 3 is correct:** The portal is open to individuals aged 16–59 years working in the unorganised sector, including gig and self-employed workers.

Source- [BS](#)

Q6. Consider the following statements about the Kaziranga Tiger Reserve (KTR):

1. The river Manas flows through the core area of the reserve.
2. It has the highest density of tigers in the world.
3. It is linked to the Orang and Nameri Tiger Reserves via the waterways of the Brahmaputra and Jia Boreli rivers, respectively.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None

Answer: A

Explanation: Only 3 is correct

Statement 1 is incorrect: Rivers: The river Diphalu, a tributary of the Brahmaputra, flows through the National Park area (core tiger habitat), while another tributary Moradifalu flows along its southern boundary.

Statement 2 is incorrect: It has the **third-highest density of tigers in the world**, after Corbett Tiger Reserve in Uttarakhand and Bandipur Tiger Reserve in Karnataka

Statement 3 is correct: Connectivity: It is linked to the **Orang and Nameri Tiger Reserves** via the waterways of the **Brahmaputra and Jia Boreli rivers**, respectively.

Source: [TH](#)

Q7. Consider the following statements about the Kamchatka Peninsula:

1. North Korea and South Korea form a part of this peninsula.
2. It lies between the Sea of Okhotsk and the Bering Sea.

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: B

Explanation: Only 2

Statement 1 is incorrect but Statement 2 is correct: Kamchatka Peninsula is a peninsula located in **far eastern Russia** and lying between the **Sea of Okhotsk** on the west and the **Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea** on the east.

Source: [NDTV](#)

Q8. Consider the following statements regarding the Environment Protection (Management of Contaminated Sites) Rules, 2025:

1. The Rules establish a legally binding, time-bound procedure for identifying, assessing, and remediating chemically contaminated sites.
2. The rules apply to all types of pollution, including radioactive waste, mining contamination, and marine oil spills.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A) 1 only
- B) 2 only
- C) Both 1 and 2
- D) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer: A

Explanation: 1 only

Statement 1 is correct: The rules mandate a stepwise process for site management with liability resting on the polluter, and, where untraceable, subsequent owners or public agencies; funding can be drawn from the Environmental Relief Fund if necessary.

Statement 2 is incorrect: The rules specifically exclude radioactive waste, mining-related pollution, marine oil pollution, and municipal solid waste dumps, which are dealt with by separate legislation.

Source: [HT](#)

Q9. With reference to the Pralay missile, consider the following statements:

1. It is a surface-to-surface, solid-fuelled, quasi-ballistic missile.
2. It is being developed by the Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO).
3. It is capable of carrying nuclear warheads.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None

Answer: B

Explanation: 1 and 2 are correct

Statement 1 is correct: Pralay is an indigenously-developed solid propellant quasi-ballistic missile employing state-of-the-art guidance and navigation to ensure high precision.

Statement 2 is correct: The system has been developed by Research Centre Imarat (RSI of DRDO) in collaboration other DRDO labs - Defence Research & Development Laboratory, Bharat Dynamics Limited & Bharat Electronics Limited and many other industries and MSMEs.

Statement 3 is incorrect: The missile is capable of carrying multiple types of non-nuclear warheads against various targets.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q10. Consider the following statements about the Thalassemia Bal Sewa Yojana (TBSY):

1. The scheme is being implemented by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in association with Coal India limited (CIL).
2. Under the scheme, a financial assistance up to Rs.10 lakh is provided to eligible patients for Bone Marrow transplants (BMT).

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: Both are correct

Statement 1 is correct: Union Health Ministry, in association with Coal India limited (CIL), is implementing the scheme - Thalassemia Bal Sewa Yojana (TBSY).

Statement 2 is correct: The scheme provides a financial assistance up to Rs.10 lakh is provided to eligible patients for Bone Marrow transplants (BMT) from CIL Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds. This scheme provides for BMT in 17 empanelled hospitals spread across the country.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q1. Consider the following statements regarding the Skill Impact Bond (SIB):

1. It is India's first development impact bond focused on skill development and job placement.
2. It aims to benefit 50,000 youth, with at least 60% of them being women.
3. It is implemented by the Ministry of Education.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Correct Answer: (a)

Explanation:

Statement 1 is correct – The Skill Impact Bond (SIB) is India's first development impact bond focused on skill development and job placement outcomes.

Statement 2 is correct – It aims to benefit 50,000 young Indians over four years, with 60% of the beneficiaries being women.

Statement 3 is incorrect – The bond is implemented by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, not the Ministry of Education. It is executed through the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC).

Source- [TOI](#)

Q2. Operation Mahadev, recently seen in the news, is:

- (a) A river interlinking project in central India
- (b) A mountain warfare exercise conducted by the Indian Army and Nepal Army
- (c) A joint counter-terror operation by the Indian Army, CRPF, and J&K Police
- (d) A cyber surveillance initiative of the Ministry of Home Affairs

Correct Answer: (c)

Explanation: Operation Mahadev is a recently launched joint counter-terror mission involving the Indian Army, Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), and Jammu & Kashmir Police, aimed at neutralizing terrorist threats in the region.

Source- [NDTV](#)

Q3. With reference to the Digital Payment Index (DPI), consider the following statements:

1. It is developed by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to measure the extent of digital payment adoption in India.
2. It is published annually.

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

Correct Answer: (a)

Explanation:

- Statement 1 is correct – The Digital Payment Index (DPI) is developed by the RBI to measure the penetration and adoption of digital payments across India.
- Statement 2 is incorrect – The DPI is published semi-annually, not annually.

Source- [ET](#)

Q4. With reference to the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016, consider the following statements:

1. The Act formalised the structure and functioning of the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA).

2. It established the National Compensatory Afforestation Fund (NCAF) and State Compensatory Afforestation Funds (SCAFs) under the Public Accounts of India and the States respectively.
3. The Act mandates that 90% of the funds go to the National Fund and 10% to the State Funds.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Correct Answer: (a)

Explanation:

- Statement 1 is correct — The Act formalised CAMPA's structure and functioning.
- Statement 2 is correct — It established NCAF under the Public Account of India and SCAFs under the Public Accounts of States.
- Statement 3 is incorrect — The National Fund receives 10% of the funds, while the State Funds receive 90%.

Source- [TH](#)

Q5. Assertion (A): Tsunamis are caused by sudden displacement of the ocean floor due to earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, or other underwater disturbances.

Reason (R): The wavelength and speed of tsunami waves primarily depend on the ocean depth, and their amplitude increases near the coast due to shoaling.

Select the correct option:

- (a) Both A and R are true, and R is the correct explanation of A.
- (b) Both A and R are true, but R is not the correct explanation of A.
- (c) A is true, but R is false.
- (d) A is false, but R is true.

Correct Answer: a

Explanation:

- The assertion correctly states the causes of tsunamis—sudden ocean floor displacement due to earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, etc.
- The reason correctly explains that tsunami wave speed and wavelength depend on ocean depth, and the wave amplitude increases near the coast due to shoaling, which explains the behavior and impact of tsunamis near shorelines.

Source- [IE](#)

Q6. Consider the following statements regarding the harappan site of Ratadiya Ri Dheri, seen in the news recently:

1. It is located in state of Rajasthan.
2. This is first-of-its-kind Harappan site in the remote sands of the Thar Desert.

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: Both are correct

Statement 1 is correct: Harappan Site of Ratadiya Ri Dheri is located 60 km from Ramgarh tehsil and just 17 km northwest of Pakistan's Sadewala in Jaisalmer district of Rajasthan.

Statement 2 is correct: This is first-of-its-kind Harappan site in the remote sands of the Thar Desert. Until now, Pilibanga in northern Rajasthan was the state's most prominent Harappan site, discovered by Italian Indologist Luigi Pio Tessitori in the early 20th century.

Source: [ToI](#)

Q7. Consider the following statements about the Setubandha Scholar Scheme:

1. It aims to bridge India's age-old gurukul tradition with modern scientific and academic inquiry.
2. The Indian Knowledge System (IKS) Division at Central Sanskrit University is the implementing agency of the scheme.
3. There is no bar on age for one to enroll in this scheme.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None

Answer: B

Explanation: 1 and 2 are correct

Statement 1 is correct: Setubandha Scholar Scheme empowers scholars of traditional Gurukul education to join top academic institutes like IITs without formal degrees. It aims to bridge India's age-old gurukul tradition with modern scientific and academic inquiry.

Statement 2 is correct: Implementing agency: Indian Knowledge System (IKS) Division at Central Sanskrit University

Statement 3 is incorrect: Eligibility criteria

- Maximum age: 32 years
- **Minimum 5 years** of study under a traditional Guru or in a Gurukul
- No formal degree required
- Must demonstrate excellence in traditional or classical knowledge

Source: [Tol](#)

Q8. Taranaki region, seen in the news recently, is located in

- a) Japan
- b) Australia
- c) South Korea
- d) New Zealand

Answer: D

Explanation:

- Taranaki is a region in the west of New Zealand's North Island.

Source: [TH](#)

Q9. Consider the following statements about the NISAR satellite:

1. It is a joint effort of NASA and ISRO.
2. It is the world's first earth observation satellite to carry dual-frequency synthetic aperture radars on a single platform.
3. It was successfully placed into a Sun-synchronous Polar Orbit by ISRO's GSLV.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None

Answer: C

Explanation: All are correct

Statement 1 is correct: NISAR Satellite is jointly developed by NASA and ISRO.

Statement 2 is correct: The NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR) is the world's first Earth observation satellite to carry dual-frequency synthetic aperture radars—L-band by NASA and S-band by ISRO—on a single platform.

Statement 3 is correct: Launched aboard GSLV-F16, this was the first time ISRO's GSLV vehicle successfully placed a satellite into a Sun-synchronous Polar Orbit.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q10. Consider the following statements regarding the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC):

1. It is a statutory corporation established in 1963 under an Act of Parliament to promote, finance, and develop cooperative societies across India.
2. The primary focus of NCDC is on supporting agriculture, dairy, fisheries, and rural industries through financial and technical assistance to cooperatives.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A) 1 only
- B) 2 only
- C) Both 1 and 2
- D) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer: C

Explanation: Both 1 and 2 are correct

- The NCDC is a statutory body set up in 1963 with the main objective of supporting and developing cooperatives, especially in agriculture and rural development sectors, by providing financial and technical aid.

Source: [PIB](#)