

10 PM Current Affairs Quiz Weekly Compilation

For UPSC CSE Prelims

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10 PM Current Affairs MCQs (1 September)

Q1. Consider the following statements

1. Purple Notice by INTERPOL is issued to share information on the modus operandi, tools, and concealment techniques used by criminals.
2. INTERPOL is a specialized agency of the United Nations
3. It is headquartered in Geneva.

How many of the above statements are correct?

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

Answer: (a)

Explanation

- **Statement 1 is correct:** Purple Notice is indeed one of the eight types of notices issued by INTERPOL. It alerts member countries about modus operandi, objects, devices, or concealment techniques used by criminals.
- **Statement 2 is Incorrect:** INTERPOL is not a UN specialized agency. It is an independent international police cooperation body, although it has had the status of Permanent Observer at the UN since 1996
- **Statement 3 is Incorrect:** . Its headquarters is in Lyon, France, not Geneva.

Source- [Forum IAS](#)

Q2. Consider the following reports:

1. World Economic Outlook
2. Global Financial Stability Report
3. Fiscal Monitor
4. Global Policy Agenda

How many of the above are published by the International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four

Answer- (d)

Explanation:

- **World Economic Outlook (WEO)** – IMF flagship publication on global growth, inflation, and policy trends.
- **Global Financial Stability Report (GFSR)** – Analyses risks to global financial systems.
- **Fiscal Monitor** – Assesses public finance developments, debt, and fiscal policies.
- **Global Policy Agenda** – Outlines IMF's policy priorities and guidance for member countries.

Source- [TH](#)

Q3. Consider the following description:

It is located in the state of Chhattisgarh. The reserve has ecological connectivity with several other tiger reserves, including Kawal (Telangana), Tadoba (Maharashtra), and Kanha (Madhya Pradesh). The landscape of this reserve is largely undulating, with numerous small hills such as Kutroo, Kandlapatru, and Matti Murka.

Which of the following Tiger Reserves is being described above?

- (a) Udanti-Sitanadi Tiger Reserve
- (b) Achanakmar Tiger Reserve
- (c) Indravati Tiger Reserve
- (d) Guru Ghasidas (Sanjay) Tiger Reserve

Answer: (c)

Source- [TOI](#)

Q4. With reference to the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), consider the following statements:

1. It is a regional intergovernmental organisation focusing on political, economic, and security cooperation.
2. Its headquarters are located in Shanghai, China.
3. The Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (RATS), an SCO initiative, is headquartered in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.
4. The theme of the SCO 2025 Summit was: "Upholding the Shanghai Spirit: SCO on the Move".

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

Answer: (a)

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct:** The SCO is indeed a regional intergovernmental organisation focusing on political, economic, and security cooperation.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** The headquarters of the SCO are in Beijing, China, not Shanghai.
- **Statement 3 is incorrect:** The Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (RATS) is headquartered in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, not Bishkek.
- **Statement 4 is correct:** The theme of the 2025 SCO Summit (Tianjin, China) was "Upholding the Shanghai Spirit: SCO on the Move".

Source- [HT](#)

Q5. Consider the following statements:

1. Judges of the Supreme Court and High Courts are appointed by the President under Articles 124 and 217 of the Constitution, respectively.
2. For the appointment of Supreme Court judges, the Collegium consists of the Chief Justice of India (CJI) and two senior-most judges of the Supreme Court.

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:** The President appoints judges of the Supreme Court (Article 124) and High Courts (Article 217) on the recommendation of the Collegium.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** For Supreme Court appointments, the Collegium consists of the CJI and four senior-most judges of the SC, not just two.

Source- [TH](#)

Q6. Consider the following countries:

1. Russia
2. Ukraine
3. Czech Republic
4. Bulgaria
5. Romania

How many of the above countries have a land boundary with Moldova?

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

Answer: A

Explanation: Ukraine and Romania

- Moldova is a landlocked country in Eastern Europe, and is bordered by Romania to the west and Ukraine to the north, east, and south.

Source: IE

Q7. With reference to the online 'suspect registry' system, consider the following statements:

1. The registry is created based on the National Cybercrime Reporting Portal (NCRP).
2. It has been developed by Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C).
3. It aims to enhance the fraud risk management capabilities of the country's financial system.

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

Statements 1 and 2 are correct: The registry, which was created based on the National Cybercrime Reporting Portal (NCRP) and developed by Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C), contains data of 1.4 million cybercriminals linked to financial fraud and various cyber-crimes, which has been shared with all banks.

Statement 3 is correct: The initiative, in collaboration with banks and financial intermediaries, aims to enhance the fraud risk management capabilities of the country's financial system.

Source: IE

Q8. Consider the following statements regarding the Green Credit Programme (GCP):

1. It is an innovative market-based mechanism designed to incentivize voluntary environmental actions across diverse sectors.
2. The Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE) is the designated national administrator responsible for registration, monitoring, and trading of Green Credits under the programme.
3. The Green Credit Rules have been notified under the Environment Protection Act, 1986.

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: Green Credit Program (GCP) is an innovative market-based mechanism designed to incentivize voluntary environmental actions across diverse sectors, by various stakeholders like individuals, communities, private sector industries, and companies.

Statement 2 is correct: The GCP's governance framework is supported by an inter-ministerial Steering Committee and The Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE) serves as the GCP Administrator, responsible for program implementation, management, monitoring, and operation.

Statement 3 is correct: The Green Credit Rules have been notified by the Government of India on 12th October 2023 under the Environment Protection Act, 1986.

Source: IE

Q9. Consider the following statements about the Orcinus Orca, seen in the news recently:

1. It is a whale in the family Delphinidae and is the most widely distributed of all cetaceans.
2. It is highly social animal due to high levels of encephalisation.
3. It is categorized as critically endangered by the IUCN.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- a) Only one

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

Answer: A

Explanation: Only 2

Statement 1 is incorrect: Orcinus orca is a dolphin in the family Delphinidae, not a true whale, and it is the most widely distributed of all cetaceans. It is commonly called as the killer whale.

Statement 2 is correct: It is highly social. It often approaches fishing vessels to check nets or observe people. This behavior is due to high levels of encephalisation, meaning a larger brain size relative to the size of the body.

Statement 3 is incorrect: Conservation status: Data Deficient (IUCN).

Source: [TH](#)

Q10. With reference to the Adi Vaani, consider the following statements:

1. It is an AI-based translation tool that serves as the foundation for a future large language model dedicated to tribal languages.
2. It is being launched by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

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: Adi Vaani is an AI-based translation tool that serves as the foundation for a future large language model dedicated to tribal languages.

Statement 2 is correct: The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has launched the Beta Version of “Adi Vaani”, India’s first AI-powered translator for tribal languages.

Source: [NewsOnAir](#)

10 PM Current Affairs MCQs (2 September)

Q1. Consider the following statements regarding the Ramon Magsaysay Award:

1. It is considered Asia’s highest honor, often called the Asian Nobel Prize.
2. It is awarded annually.
3. Educate Girls is the first Indian organisation to receive the prestigious award.

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

Correct Answer: (d)

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is Correct** – The award is often referred to as the Asian Nobel Prize.
- **Statement 2 is Correct** – The award is conferred annually to individuals and organisations in Asia.
- **Statement 3 is Correct** – Educate Girls became the first Indian organisation to receive the Ramon Magsaysay Award, highlighting its exceptional contribution to social development.

Source- [newsonair](#)

Q2. Consider the following statements regarding the Advance Authorisation Scheme:

1. It allows duty-free import of inputs used in the manufacture of export products, without mandatory Quality Control Order (QCO) compliance.

2. It is applicable only to merchant exporters and excludes manufacturer exporters.

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** – The scheme allows duty-free import of inputs for export products, making allowances for wastage, without mandatory QCO compliance.
- **Statement 2 is Incorrect** – The scheme applies to both manufacturer exporters and merchant exporters tied to supporting manufacturers.

Source- [PIB](#)

Q3. Consider the following statements regarding Exercise Yudh Kaushal 3.0:

1. It was conducted by the Indian Army in the high-altitude Kameng region of Arunachal Pradesh.
2. The exercise involved a joint operation with the Indian Air Force showcasing aerial combat drills.

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** – The exercise was conducted by the Indian Army in the high-altitude Kameng region.
- **Statement 2 is Incorrect** – The exercise primarily focused on Army operations and the operational debut of the ASHNI platoons, not joint aerial combat drills with the IAF.

Source- [TH](#)

Q4. Consider the following statements regarding the Census in India:

1. India's first synchronous decennial census was conducted in 1872.
2. The first census of independent India was held in 1955.
3. The Census of India is conducted by the Office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India under the Ministry of Home Affairs.

How many of the above statements are correct?

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

Answer: (a)

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is incorrect** – The first synchronous decennial census was in 1881, not 1872 (1872 was a non-synchronous census).
- **Statement 2 is incorrect** – Independent India's first census was held in 1951, not 1955.
- **Statement 3 is Correct** – The Office of the Registrar General and Census Commissioner of India under the Ministry of Home Affairs conducts the census.

Source- [IE](#)

Q5. Consider the following statements regarding Multi-Lane Free Flow (MLFF) system:

1. MLFF is a tolling system that requires vehicles to stop briefly at toll plazas for reading FASTag and Vehicle Registration Number (VRN).
2. India's first Multi-Lane Free Flow (MLFF) tolling system launched in Gujarat

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** – MLFF is a non-stop tolling system; vehicles do not stop at toll plazas.
- **Statement 2 is Correct** – India's first Multi-Lane Free Flow (MLFF) tolling system launched in Gujarat.

Source- [ET](#)

Q6. With reference to the Bordeaux mixture, consider the following statements:

1. It is a bactericide and fungicide.
2. It is made by mixing copper sulfate and lime (calcium hydroxide) with water.
3. It is named after its place of origin.

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

Statements 1 and 2 are correct: Bordeaux mixture is a bactericide and fungicide made by mixing copper sulfate and lime (calcium hydroxide) with water.

Statement 3 is correct: It was discovered in the late 19th century in France's Bordeaux region, from which it takes its name.

Source: [ToI](#)

Q7. Consider the following statements regarding the Samagra Shiksha Scheme:

1. It is a centrally sponsored scheme.
2. The scheme subsumes Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan, and Teacher Education Scheme.
3. The scheme provides for a holistic approach to school education, covering the continuum from pre-primary to senior secondary level (Class 12) in a single integrated framework.

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: Samagra Shiksha is a centrally sponsored scheme, integrating all levels from pre-school to Class XII.

Statement 2 is correct: It merged SSA, RMSA, and Teacher Education into one umbrella scheme (since 2018).

Statement 3 is correct: The scheme treats school education as a continuum from pre-primary to Class 12, providing an integrated and holistic approach.

Source: [TH](#)

Q8. Which one of the following statements best describes the CEREBO, seen in the news recently?

- a) An AI platform for predicting agricultural crop yields
- b) A portable, non-invasive handheld device for rapid diagnosis of traumatic brain injuries using near-infrared spectroscopy
- c) India's indigenous supercomputer for climate change modeling
- d) A telemedicine app for remote ophthalmic consultations

Answer: B

Explanation:

- It is a device for Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI) that detects intracranial bleeding and edema within a minute. It delivers radiation-free, colour-coded, and cost-effective results and is safe for infants and pregnant women. It has been developed through a collaboration between ICMR, the Medical Device & Diagnostics Mission Secretariat, AIIMS Bhopal, NIMHANS Bengaluru, and Bioscan Research.

Source: [TH](#)

Q9. Consider the following statements about the Purchasing Managers' Index or PMI:

- 1. It is developed by the Institute for Supply Management (ISM).
 - 2. The index shows trends in both the manufacturing and services sector.
 - 3. It can range between 0 and 100, with a number over 50 citing expansion and under 50 noting contraction.
- 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: A monthly Purchasing Managers Index (PMI) for the manufacturing sector is developed by the Institute for Supply Management (ISM), a nonprofit supply management organization.

Statement 2 is correct: The index shows trends in both the manufacturing and services sector.

Statement 3 is correct: The Purchasing Managers' Index can range between 0 and 100, with a number over 50 citing expansion and under 50 noting contraction.

Source: [TH](#)

Q10. Which one of the following state will get connected with the railway network for the first time with the launch of Bairabi-Sairang Railway Line?

- a) Nagaland
- b) Sikkim
- c) Mizoram
- d) Manipur

Answer: C

Explanation:

- The Bairabi-Sairang broad-gauge railway line is 51.38 km long. The line will connect Mizoram to the national railway network for the first time.

Source: [TH](#)

10 PM Current Affairs MCQs (3 August)

Q1. With reference to *Senna spectabilis*, consider the following statements:

- 1. It is an invasive species native to the tropical regions of the Americas.
- 2. According to the IUCN Red List, it is classified as Vulnerable.

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:** Senna spectabilis is indeed native to the tropical regions of the Americas but has become an invasive species in India, particularly in parts of Kerala, where it threatens native biodiversity.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** According to the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species, Senna spectabilis is classified as Least Concern (LC), not Vulnerable.

Source- [Forum IAS](#)

Q2. Consider the following countries:

1. Turkmenistan
2. Uzbekistan
3. Tajikistan
4. Iran
5. Pakistan
6. China

How many of the above share a land border with Afghanistan?

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

Answer: (d)

Explanation: Afghanistan shares land borders with all six listed countries - Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Iran, Pakistan, and China (through the Wakhan Corridor).

Source- [TH](#)

Q3. Consider the following statements:

1. The RTE Act 2009 makes free and compulsory education a fundamental right for all children aged 6–14 years.
2. Section 12(1)(c) of the RTE Act mandates 33% reservation in private unaided schools for children from disadvantaged groups.
3. Article 15(5) of the Constitution enables the State to make special provisions for admission of socially and educationally backward classes, SCs, and STs in all educational institutions, including minority institutions.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) One only
- (b) Two only
- (c) All three
- (d) None

Answer: (a)

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is Correct:** Article 21A, implemented through the RTE Act (2009), makes free and compulsory education a fundamental right for children aged 6–14 years.
- **Statement 2 is Incorrect:** Section 12(1)(c) mandates 25% reservation, not 33%, in private unaided schools for children from disadvantaged and weaker sections.
- **Statement 3 is Incorrect:** Article 15(5) excludes minority institutions from such special provisions to protect their rights under Article 30(1).

Source- [ForumIAS](#)

Q4. Consider the following statements regarding the Swarnamukhi River:

1. It is a river located in Andhra Pradesh.
2. It is an east-flowing river..
3. Its main tributary is the Kalyani River.

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: (d)

Explanation: The Swarnamukhi River originates in the Eastern Ghats near Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh and flows eastwards before draining into the Bay of Bengal. Its main tributary is the Kalyani River. Hence, all the given statements are correct.

Source- [TH](#)

Q5. Which of the following correctly describes the Typhon Missile System?

- (a) A hypersonic air-to-air missile developed by North Korea.
- (b) A surface-to-surface missile system developed by Lockheed Martin (U.S.).
- (c) A long-range surface-to-air missile system developed by Japan
- (d) A submarine-launched ballistic missile system of China.

Answer: (b)

Explanation- The Typhon Missile System, also known as the Mid-Range Capability (MRC), is a surface-to-surface missile system developed by Lockheed Martin (U.S.).

Source- [The Print](#)

Q6. Consider the following countries:

- 1. Pakistan
- 2. Iran
- 3. Afghanistan
- 4. Kyrgyzstan

How many of the above countries share the region known as the 'Pashtun Crescent'?

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

Answer: B

Explanation: Pakistan and Afghanistan

- The Pashtun Crescent refers to the traditional homeland of the Pashtun people, which stretches across southern and eastern Afghanistan into northwestern Pakistan.
- Geographically, the crescent starts from the province of Kunar in northeastern Afghanistan and extends westward to Farah province near the Iranian border. On the Pakistani side, it includes most of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and northern Balochistan.

Source: [DTE](#)

Q7. Consider the following statements about the Soyuz Vostok transit gas pipeline:

- 1. This pipeline is supposed to transport Russian natural gas to China via North Korea.
- 2. It is part of the larger Power of Siberia-2 pipeline system.

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 Soyuz Vostok transit gas pipeline is a major proposed infrastructure project designed to transport Russian natural gas to China via Mongolia.

Statement 2 is correct: It is part of the larger Power of Siberia-2 pipeline system, representing a strategic expansion of Russian–Chinese energy ties.

Source: [DD News](#)

Q8. Consider the following statements about the *Vikram 3201*, seen in the news recently:

1. It is India's first fully indigenous 32-bit microprocessor.
2. It is developed by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).
3. It is designed for use in everyday consumer electronics like smartphones and laptops.

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: India has unveiled its first fully indigenous 32-bit microprocessor, the Vikram 3201, at the Semicon India 2025 conference.

Statement 2 is correct: It is developed by the Indian Space Research Organisation (Isro) in partnership with the Semiconductor Laboratory (SCL), Chandigarh.

Statement 3 is incorrect: Unlike processors in everyday devices like smartphones or laptops, this one is designed specifically for rockets and satellites. The Vikram 3201 marks the first time India has indigenously designed and fabricated a processor of this scale and specification for launch vehicle avionics.

Source: [BS](#)

Q9. Consider the following statements regarding the BHARATI initiative:

1. It is launched by the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA).
2. It is aimed to empower agri-food and agri-tech startups.
3. The initiative is aligned with the Government of India's vision of an Atmanirbhar Bharat, Vocal for Local, Digital India and Start-Up India.

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 Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) launched its new initiative BHARATI on the sidelines of the "Food & Beverages Sector Stakeholders Meeting".

Statement 2 is correct: It has been designed to empower 100 agri-food and agri-tech startups, accelerate their journey, promote innovation and create new export opportunities for young entrepreneurs.

Statement 3 is correct: The Initiative is aligned with the Government of India's vision of an Atmanirbhar Bharat, Vocal for Local, Digital India and Start-Up India.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q10. Consider the following statements about exercise Yudh Abhyas:

1. It is an annual joint military exercise between India and United Kingdom.
2. The 2025 edition of the exercise is being conducted in India.
3. It is conducted with a focus on improving capabilities for UN peacekeeping operations and strengthening preparedness for multi-domain challenges.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two

- c) All three
- d) None

Answer: A

Explanation: Only 3

Statement 1 is incorrect: It is an annual joint military exercise between India and U.S.A.

Statement 2 is incorrect: The 2025 edition of the exercise is being conducted in Alaska of U.S.A.

Statement 3 is correct: The exercise will conclude in jointly planned and executed tactical manoeuvres, ranging from live-fire exercises to high-altitude warfare scenarios, with a focus on improving capabilities for UN peacekeeping operations and strengthening preparedness for multi-domain challenges.

Source: [PIB](#)

10 PM Current Affairs MCQs (4 September 2025)

Q1. Consider the following statements regarding the Coconut Development Board (CDB):

1. It is a statutory body under the Ministry of Commerce.
2. Its headquarters is located at Kochi.
3. It is primarily mandated to promote coconut exports but has no role in providing financial assistance or technical advice.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Answer: (a)

Explanation:

Statement 1 is wrong - CDB is under the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, not the Ministry of Commerce.

Statement 2 is correct - The headquarters is indeed at Kochi.

Statement 3 is wrong - CDB is not limited to exports; it also provides financial assistance and technical advice for coconut development.

Source- [PIB](#)

Q2. Exercise Maitree, recently seen in the news, is a joint military exercise between:

- (a) India and Myanmar
- (b) India and Thailand
- (c) India and Indonesia
- (d) India and Sri Lanka

Answer: (b)

Explanation- The 14th edition of Exercise Maitree, a joint military drill between India and Thailand (since 2006), began in Meghalaya, India.

Source- [TH](#)

Q3. The term "Solow Paradox", recently seen in the news, refers to:

- (a) Inflation without economic growth
- (b) High technology use but low productivity gains
- (c) Rising employment with falling wages
- (d) Trade growth without capital flows

Answer: (b)

Explanation: Coined by Nobel laureate Robert Solow (1987), the paradox highlights that despite widespread use of computers and advanced technology, productivity growth was not visible in statistics.

Source- [mint](#)

Q4. Consider the following statements regarding the Samagra Shiksha Scheme:

1. It was announced in the Union Budget 2002-03 as an integrated scheme for school education.
2. It is a Central Sector Scheme.
3. It subsumes Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA), and Teacher Education (TE).

How many of the above statements are correct?

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

Answer: (a)

Explanation: Only Statement 3 is correct, as the scheme was launched in 2018-19 (not 2002-03), is Centrally Sponsored (not Central Sector), and it subsumes SSA, RMSA, and TE.

Source- [TH](#)

Q5. Consider the following description:

The reserve is surrounded by Parambikulam Tiger Reserve (PTR), Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary, and Eravikulam National Park. Within its boundaries, Kariyan Shola, Grass Hills, and Manjampatti are recognized as part of a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The landscape comprises evergreen, deciduous, and shola forests, along with montane and marshy grasslands.

Which of the following Tiger Reserves is being described above?

- (a) Anamalai Tiger Reserve
- (b) Mudumalai Tiger Reserve
- (c) Periyar Tiger Reserve
- (d) Kalakkad-Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve

Correct Answer: (a)

Source- [IE](#)

Q6. Which one of the following statements best describes the Majorana Particles?

- a) They are particles that have opposite properties from their antiparticles, like electrons and positrons.
- b) They are fermions that are identical to their own antiparticles, possessing no charge and predicted by Ettore Majorana.
- c) They are bosons responsible for carrying the electromagnetic force in quantum physics.
- d) They are composite particles composed of three quarks and found in atomic nuclei.

Answer: B

Explanation:

- They are fermions that are identical to their own antiparticles, possessing no charge and predicted by Ettore Majorana.

Source: [TH](#)

Q7. Consider the following statements regarding Equity Derivatives:

1. Equity derivatives are financial contracts whose value is derived from the movement of an underlying stock or stock index.
2. The futures, options, forwards, and swaps, are the main types of equity derivatives.

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

Statement 1 is correct: Equity derivatives derive their value from an underlying stock/stock index and are used for hedging and speculation.

Statement 2 is correct: Futures, options, forwards, and swaps are the main types, each serving different financial strategies for investors.

Source: [TH](#)

Q8. With reference to the Srivilliputhur–Meghamalai Tiger Reserve (SMTR), consider the following statements:

1. It is located in the state of Andhra Pradesh.
2. The Vaigai river is the main river passing through this reserve.

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: Srivilliputhur–Meghamalai Tiger Reserve (SMTR) is located in the Southern Western Ghats of Virudhunagar and Madurai districts of Tamilnadu.

Statement 2 is correct: It relies on **three** perennial rivers: **Vaigai, Suruliyaru, and Shanmuganathi.**

Source: [TH](#)

Q9. Consider the following statements regarding the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2025:

1. It is released by the Ministry of Education.
2. The IISc Bengaluru has been ranked as the best university in India.
3. Under it, the institutions are ranked on five key parameters including outreach and inclusivity of an institution.

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 Ministry of Education released the 10th edition of the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2025.

Statement 2 is correct: IISc Bengaluru has been ranked as the best university, followed by Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi, and Manipal Academy of Higher Education at second and third positions, respectively.

Statement 3 is correct: Institutions were ranked on five key parameters: teaching, learning and resources; research and professional practice; graduation outcomes; outreach and inclusivity; and perception.

Source: [DD News](#)

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Statement-I: The shallow earthquakes are more dangerous than deep earthquakes.

Statement-II: The seismic waves from shallow earthquakes have a shorter distance to travel to the surface.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
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Answer: A

Explanation: Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.

Statement-I is correct: Shallow earthquakes are more dangerous than deep earthquakes because they tend to cause stronger ground shaking and more destruction at the surface.

Statement-II is correct and explains Statement-I: The seismic waves from shallow earthquakes have a shorter distance to travel, so they lose less energy before reaching the surface—resulting in more intense and damaging shaking.

Source: [DD News](#)

10 PM Current Affairs MCQs (5 September)

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1. It was founded by Kumaragupta of the Gupta dynasty.
2. Chinese pilgrim Fa-Hien visited Nalanda in the 7th century CE and described its architecture and learning traditions.
3. Nalanda was patronized by rulers like Harshavardhana and the Palas.
4. It was destroyed by Mahmud of Ghazni.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Correct Answer: A

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct** – Nalanda was founded by Kumaragupta I (5th century CE).
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Source- [PIB](#)

Q2. With reference to the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) in India, consider the following statements:

1. The category of PVTGs was created on the recommendation of the Dhebar Commission.
2. Stagnant or declining population is one of the criteria for determining PVTG status.
3. There are 95 PVTGs officially notified in the country so far.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

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B. Only two
C. All three
D. None

Correct Answer: B

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct** – PVTG category was created following the Dhebar Commission (1960–61).
- **Statement 2 is correct** – criteria include stagnant/declining population, pre-agricultural technology, low literacy, and subsistence economy.
- **Statement 3 is incorrect** – there are 75 PVTGs, not 95, across 18 States and 1 UT.

Source- [Forum IAS](#)

Q3. Consider the following statements regarding coffee in India:

1. India produces two major types of coffee: Arabica and Robusta, and Robusta commands a higher market value due to its mild aromatic flavour.
2. The Coffee Board of India is a statutory board functioning under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.
3. The Coffee Board of India is headquartered in Araku Valley, Andhra Pradesh.

Which of the statements given above are *incorrect*?

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- B. 2 and 3 only
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Correct Answer: D

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Source- [TH](#)

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It is a wildlife sanctuary situated in Odisha. It lies close to the Hirakud Dam, built across the Mahanadi River. The sanctuary has historical importance as it finds special mention in connection with the noted freedom fighter Veer Surendra Sai, who took refuge in its forests during the struggle against the British.

Which of the following Wildlife Sanctuary is being described above?

- A. Debrigarh Wildlife Sanctuary
- B. Satkosia Wildlife Sanctuary
- C. Bhitarkanika Wildlife Sanctuary
- D. Simlipal Wildlife Sanctuary

Correct Answer: A

Source- [DH](#)

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2. It is chaired by the Union Minister of State for Finance.

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- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
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Source- [mint](#)

Q6. The 'Operation Black Forest', seen in the news recently, is conducted by

- a) Indian Navy
- b) Indian Coast Guards

- c) CRPF with special police forces of states
- d) Indian Army

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Operation Black Forest was jointly executed by the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), District Reserve Guard (DRG), CoBRA (Commando Battalion for Resolute Action), and Telangana Greyhounds.

Source: [PIB](#)

Q7. Consider the following countries:

1. Chad
2. Eritrea
3. Ethiopia
4. Libya

How many of the above countries have a land boundary with Sudan?

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

Answer: D

Explanation:

- Sudan is a country in Northeast Africa. It borders the Central African Republic to the southwest, **Chad** to the west, **Libya** to the northwest, Egypt to the north, the Red Sea to the east, **Eritrea** and **Ethiopia** to the southeast, and South Sudan to the south.

Source: [TH](#)

Q8. Consider the following statements regarding Solar Orbiter Mission:

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Source: [DTE](#)

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1. It is issued by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
2. The UDID system streamlines access to government benefits for PwDs by providing a centralized national database, eliminating duplicate records.
3. Only persons with 80% or greater disability are eligible to receive the UDID Card.

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

Statement 1 is correct: The UDID Card is a universal identity document for PwDs, implemented nationally by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

Statement 2 is correct: It enables efficient, transparent access to benefits and maintains a single digital record for faster, simplified administration.

Statement 3 is incorrect: UDID Cards are issued for all eligible persons with disabilities above specified thresholds (not just those above 80%), with color-coded cards denoting severity: below 40%, 40-80%, and above 80%.

Source: [TH](#)

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1. Seychelles is an archipelago in the Indian Ocean, situated to the northeast of Madagascar.

2. The islands of Seychelles are of volcanic origin only, with no coral formations.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

a) 1 only

b) 2 only

c) Both 1 and 2

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Answer: A

Explanation: 1 only

Statement 1 is correct: Seychelles is an Indian Ocean archipelago, located northeast of Madagascar and off the eastern coast of Africa.

Statement 2 is incorrect: Seychelles has granitic islands (oldest mid-ocean granite islands in the world) as well as coral islands and atolls—not only volcanic.

Source: [PIB](#)

10 PM Current Affairs MCQs (6 September)

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