



Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 23-12-2024 (Online Prelims Test)

1) Consider the following statements with respect to Annual Health Index

1. Annual Health Index is a yearly report that tracks and ranks the health performance of states and Union Territories (UTs) in India.
2. It is released by National Institution for Transforming India (NITI Aayog) in collaboration with World Health Organization (WHO).
3. It ranks the states and UTs in 3 categories: larger states, smaller states, and Union territories (UTs).

Which of the statement(s) mentioned above is/are correct?

- a. Only one
- b. Only two
- c. All three
- d. None of the above

Answer : b



Annual Health Index

- The Annual Health Index is a yearly report that tracks and ranks the *health performance of states and Union Territories (UTs)* in India.
- **Launched by** - National Institution for Transforming India (NITI Aayog) in 2017 in collaboration with
 - Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW)
 - World Bank.
- The index also ranks states and UTs in 3 categories - Larger states, Smaller states, and Union territories (UTs).

2) Consider the following statements with respect to Buffalo fights

1. The buffalo and bulbul fights are organized during the Magh Bihu (winter harvest festival) celebrations in Assam.
2. Traditional buffalo fights are popularly known as Moh Jooj in Assam.
3. Gauhati High Court recently reintroduced Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) on traditional buffalo and bulbul (songbird) fights.

Which of the statement(s) mentioned above is/are incorrect?

- a. Only one
- b. Only two
- c. All three
- d. None of the above

Answer : a

Buffalo Fights

- The buffalo and bulbul fights are organized during the Magh Bihu celebrations, winter harvest festival in Assam.
- Traditional buffalo fights are popularly known as Moh Jooj in Assam.
- Gauhati High Court reintroduced a ban on traditional buffalo and bulbul (songbird) fights recently.

3) Consider the following:

1. Purple Frog
2. Horse Shoe Crab
3. Frilled Shark
4. Amami Rabbit
5. Helmeted Water Toad

Which of the above-mentioned species are considered a living fossils?

- a. 1, 2 and 4 only
- b. 1 and 5 only
- c. 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
- d. All of the above

Answer : d

Living Fossil species

- Purple Frog
- Horse Shoe Crab
- Frilled Shark
- Amami Rabbit
- Helmeted Water Toad
- Alligator gar Fish
- Sturgeons
- Coelacanth



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4) Consider the following statements with respect to Murder Hornet

1. It is an invasive species from Australia.
2. It is the largest member of the wasp family and is the world's largest hornet.
3. Their stingers deliver as much venom as a snake or 7 times that of a honeybee and its powerful sting can kill a human.

Which of the statement(s) mentioned above is/are correct?

- a. Only one
- b. Only two
- c. All three
- d. None of the above

Answer : b

Murder Hornet

- **Murder Hornet**- *Northern giant hornet* are nicknamed as murder hornet, are an **invasive species from Asia**.

- **Features** - It is the *largest member of the wasp family*, measuring 2 inches in length and is the *world's largest hornet*.
- Their stingers deliver as much *venom as a snake or 7 times that of a honeybee* and its powerful sting can kill a human.

5) Consider the following statements with respect to Leprosy

1. It is a chronic infectious disease caused by a type of bacteria, *Mycobacterium leprae*.
2. Leprosy is curable with multidrug therapy (MDT) and treatment in the early stages can prevent disability.
3. Leprosy, although largely eradicated in many parts of the world, still remains a public health concern in India.

Which of the statement(s) mentioned above is/are correct?

- a. Only one
- b. Only two
- c. All three
- d. None of the above

Answer : c

Leprosy

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- Leprosy is curable with multidrug therapy (MDT) and treatment in the early stages can prevent disability.
- Leprosy, although largely eradicated in many parts of the world, still remains a public health concern in India.

6) Consider the following statements with respect to Captagon

1. It is an addictive, amphetamine-type synthetic drug widely distributed in the middle-east.
2. It is often marked with 2 crescent moons.
3. It is banned in most countries, while 80% of the global supply comes from Syria.

Which of the statement(s) mentioned above is/are correct?

- a. Only one
- b. Only two
- c. All three
- d. None of the above

Answer : c

Captagon

- An addictive, amphetamine-type synthetic drug widely distributed in the middle-east, often marked with 2 crescent moons.
- 80% of the global supply comes from **Syria** and banned in most of the countries.

7) Consider the following statements with respect to Siliguri Corridor

1. It is a visa-free border crossing and religious corridor that connects India and Pakistan.
2. It is also known as the Chicken's Neck.

Which of the statement(s) mentioned above is/are correct?

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

Answer : b

Siliguri Corridor

- The Siliguri Corridor is a narrow stretch of land in West Bengal that connects the northeastern states with the rest of the country.
- It is also known as the Chicken's Neck.
- It was formed during the partition of Bengal and formation of East Pakistan during 1947.

8) Consider the following:

1. Chimpanzees
2. Striped skunk
3. Kea
4. Catfish
5. California ground squirrels

How many of the above-mentioned species are considered Opportunistic omnivores?

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



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Answer : d

- **Opportunistic omnivores** - Pig, Chimpanzees, Badger, Chicken, Kea, Catfish, Hedgehogs, Bears, Civet, Striped skunk, Raccoon, Ostriches and California ground squirrels.