



Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 30-12-2024 (Online Prelims Test)

1) Consider the following statements with respect to Matsya Seva Kendras (MSKs)

1. It is a public distribution system (PDS) scheme to provide food grains at subsidized rates to the poorest families.
2. It is under the Ministry of Food and Public Distribution.

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

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

Answer : d

Matsya Seva Kendras (MSKs)

- It aims to provide a one-stop solution for fishers and fish farmers through a range of extension services provided by trained aquaculture professionals. **(statement 1 is incorrect)**
- It is under the Umbrella scheme Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY).
- **Nodal Ministry** - Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying. **(statement 2 is incorrect).**

2) Consider the following statements with respect to Avian influenza

1. It is a highly contagious, viral, zoonotic disease.
2. It is known to be carried by wild birds, especially waterfowl, raptors, and vultures.
3. H5N1 virus is a subtype of Avian Influenza A.

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

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

Answer : c

Avian influenza

- It is highly contagious and spreads through direct contact with infected birds or their secretions, including saliva, feathers, and faeces.
- Avian influenza is a zoonotic disease, meaning it can spread from animals to humans.
- **H5N1** - It is a subtype of Avian Influenza A, was 1st detected in geese, China on 1996 and causing outbreaks in birds since then.

3) Consider the following statements with respect to Parker Solar Probe

1. It aims to make observations of the outer corona of the Sun.
2. It is launched by Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) in 2018.
3. It moves faster than any human-made object.

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

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

Answer : b

Parker Solar Probe

- **Launched in** - 2018.
- **Launched by** - National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). **(statement 2 is incorrect)**
- **Aim** - To make observations of the outer corona of the Sun.
- **Speed** - It moves faster than any human-made object, up to 430,000 mph.

4) Consider the following statements with respect to Urs Festival

1. It is an annual festival held at Bihar.
2. It celebrated for the death anniversary of Birsa Munda.

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

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

Answer : d

Urs Festival

- It is an annual festival held at Ajmer, Rajasthan. **(statement 1 is incorrect)**
- **Commemoration** - For the death anniversary of Sufi saint Hazrat Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti. **(statement 2 is incorrect)**
- Jan Jatiya Gaurav Diwas Celebrated in honour of 150th birth anniversary of Baghwan Birsa Munda.

5) Consider the following statements with respect to Three Gorges Dam

1. It is the world's largest Dam located in China.
2. It is built on the Mekong River.

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

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

Answer : b

Three Gorges Dam

- It is world's largest Dam, located in China's Hubei Province.
- Built on - Yangtze River. **(statement 2 is incorrect)**

6) Consider the following statements with respect to Operation Poseidon Archer

- a. The operation was launched to evacuate Indian nationals from Haiti amidst civil unrest.
- b. It is a sustained bombing campaign to degrade Houthi military capabilities in Yemen.
- c. It is an operation conducted by the Indian Armed Forces to evacuate Indian citizens and foreign nationals from Sudan during the conflict.
- d. It is an operation by India to evacuate Indian nationals from Israel and Palestine.

Answer : b

Operation Poseidon Archer

- It is a sustained *bombing campaign to degrade Houthi* military capabilities in Yemen.
- **Launched by** - United States, United Kingdom, and their allies.

Other operations

- **Operation Indravati** - Launched in March 2024, this operation is to evacuate Indian nationals from Haiti due to civil unrest.
- **Operation Kaveri** - It is an operation conducted by the Indian Armed Forces to evacuate Indian citizens and foreign nationals from Sudan during the conflict.
- **Operation Ajay** - In 2023, India evacuated Indian nationals from Israel and Palestine.

7) Consider the following statements with respect to Bald Eagle

1. It is a bird of prey native only to North America.
2. It is a white-headed and yellow-beaked bird symbolizes freedom and bravery in USA since 178
3. It has been officially named the national bird of USA recently.

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

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

Answer : c

Bald Eagle

- It is a bird of prey native only to North America.
- It is a white-headed and yellow-beaked bird symbolizes freedom and bravery in USA since 1782.
- It has been officially named the national bird recently.