



### Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 31-01-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

1) Consider the following statements regarding the 38th National Games that is being held in Dehradun:

1. The theme of the 38th National Games event is "Sports for All."
2. It is the first edition to include Yoga and Mallakhamb in the National Games.
3. The medals and certificates are made from biodegradable materials.

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

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

Answer : b

#### **38th National Games:**

- The 38th National Games is being hosted in Dehradun and will be held in 11 cities across 8 districts of Uttarakhand.
- The theme of the 38th National Games is "**Green Games.**" (**Statement 1 is not correct**)
- **Yoga and Mallakhamb** have been included in the National Games for the first time. (**Statement 2 is correct**)
- The **medals and certificates** for the athletes will be made from **environmentally friendly** and **biodegradable materials**. (**Statement 3 is correct**)

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2) Consider the following statements regarding the Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme:

1. The Programme is implemented by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.
2. The programme aims to achieve the target of 20% blending of Ethanol with petrol by 2025.
3. The programme is implemented uniformly across all states and union territories of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are **not** correct?

- a. 1 and 2 only
- b. 2 only
- c. 1 and 3 only
- d. None

Answer : c

#### **Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme:**

- Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) programme was launched in January, 2003. The programme sought

to promote the use of alternative and environment friendly fuels and to reduce import dependency for energy requirements.

- The Programme is implemented by ***the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas. (Statement 1 is not correct)***.
- The programme aims to achieve the target of 20% blending of Ethanol with petrol by 2025 previously the target year was 2030. ***(Statement 2 is correct)***
- This programme has been extended to whole of India ***except Union Territories of Andaman Nicobar and Lakshadweep islands. (Statement 3 is not correct)***

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3) Consider the following statements regarding the Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) 2024:

1. ASER is a nationwide household survey conducted by the Ministry of Education to assess learning outcomes in rural India.
2. The report measures the schooling status of children aged 3-16 years and tests the learning levels of children aged 5-16 years.
3. Kerala, Himachal Pradesh, and Punjab are considered as top-performing states in learning outcomes.

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



**Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) 2024:**

- It is a nationwide household survey ***released by the NGO Pratham Foundation*** that captures the status of children's enrollment and learning outcomes in rural India every year since 2005. ***(Statement 1 is not correct)***.
- The report measures the schooling status of children aged 3-16 years and tests the learning levels of children aged 5-16 years. ***(Statement 2 is correct)***
- The states of Kerala, Himachal Pradesh, and Punjab are considered top-performing in learning outcomes. ***(Statement 3 is correct)***

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4. Consider the following statements regarding the Indian Squid (*Uroteuthis duvaucelii*):

1. They belong to the Cephalopoda molluscan class.
2. They are slow-moving marine organisms that rely on camouflage rather than speed to escape predators.
3. They prefer areas with high levels of dissolved oxygen.
4. The IUCN has classified the Indian Squid as an endangered species due to overfishing.

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

- a. Only one
- b. Only two
- c. Only three

d. All Four

Answer : b

### **Indian Squid**

- Indian Squid, also known as the Indian calamari, belongs to the molluscan class Cephalopoda, which includes species like squids, octopuses, and cuttlefish. **(Statement 1 is correct).**
- ***They are fast swimmers*** and are capable of propelling themselves through the water using a jet propulsion system that allows them ***to reach speeds of up to 40 km/h*** when escaping from predators or chasing prey. **(Statement 2 is not correct).**
- Squids tend to ***prefer areas with high levels of dissolved oxygen***, as this is crucial for their respiration.
- It is distributed ***in the Indo-Pacific region***, occurring in ***depths between 30 and 170 meters***. **(Statement 3 is correct).**
- The IUCN has classified the Indian Squid ***as Least concern***. **(Statement 4 is not correct).**

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5) With reference to Namdapha National Park, consider the following statements:

1. It is the easternmost tiger reserve of India, located in Arunachal Pradesh.
2. It shares a common boundary with Kaziranga National Park in Assam.
3. It is the only National Park in the world to have four big cat species.

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

### **Namdapha National Park**

- Namdapha National Park is India's easternmost tiger reserve and National park situated in the Changlang district of Arunachal Pradesh. **(Statement 1 is correct)**
- The Namdapha protected area is wedged between Dapha Bum ridge of Mishmi Hills, of North Eastern Himalayas and Patkai Ranges.
- The reserve has a common boundary with Kamlang Wildlife Sanctuary (Lohit District). **(Statement 2 is not correct).**
- It is the only National Park in the world to have all four big cat species—Tiger, Leopard, Snow Leopard, and Clouded Leopard. **(Statement 3 is correct)**

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