



Daily Subject wise Quiz Day 83 Art & Culture IX (Online Prelims Test)

1) Consider the following statements with respect to Behdienkhlam festival

1. It is the most important festival of the Jaintias or Pnar tribal community in meghalaya
2. It is celebrated during the monsoon and coincides with Basanth Panjami in other parts of India.

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

Behdienkhlam festival

- It is the most important festival of the Jaintias or Pnar tribal community in meghalaya and is celebrated mid-July every year after the sowing is over.
- “Khlam” means plague or pestilence and “beh dien” means to drive away with sticks.
- Is the ritualistic expression of the relentless struggle of mankind to overcome the destructive forces of nature, including diseases, since the dawn of civilization.
- This festival is celebrated around the same time “Rath Yatra” is celebrated in other parts of eastern India.

2) Which of the following statements is/are correct about Ambubachi Mela ?

1. It is a usual Tantric fertility festival of Assam which marks the menstruation period of the Goddess Kamakhya.
2. Traditional Bihu is danced for four continuous days in the Kamakhya temple complex during this mela.

Select the correct answers using the codes given below

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

Answer : a

Ambubachi Mela

- It is a usual Tantric fertility festival of Assam which marks the menstruation period of the Goddess Kamakhya.
- The temple is closed for three days while she menstruates and reopens on the fourth day,
- Her temple is closed for three days while she menstruates and reopens on the fourth day, with a rush of devotees who come to receive bits of cloth that are supposedly soaked with her menstrual fluid.
- It's considered to be extremely auspicious and powerful.
- The festival attracts numerous Tantric sadhus (holy men) from India and abroad.

3) Which of the following statements is/are correct about Wangala Festival ?

1. It is the biggest harvest festival of the Garo tribe in Meghalaya.
2. It marks the end of the sowing season and agricultural year.

Select the correct answers using the codes given below

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

Answer : c

Wangala Festival

- The Wangala Festival is the biggest harvest festival of the Garo tribe in Meghalaya.
- Held in honor of the Sun God of fertility, the festival marks the end of the sowing season and agricultural year.
- It's celebrated by the beating of drums, blowing horns, and traditional dancing.
- The highlight is the sound of 100 drums (nagaras) being beaten together.
- Hence, the alternative name for the festival — the 100 Drum Wangala Festival.

4) Which of the following pairs are matched correctly about Tribal festivals of Arunachal Pradesh

Festival	Description
1. Losar Festival	- Agricultural festival of the Apatani tribe
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3. Dree Festival	- Festival of Buddhist community in Tawang

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Answer : b

Tribal festivals of Arunachal Pradesh

- **Losar Festival** - One of the most significant festivals of the Buddhist Community in Tawang, Losar commemorates the advent of the new year.
- The word Losar is derived from two Tibetan words, 'lo' which means 'year' and 'sar' which means 'new'.

- **Myoko Festival** - The festival is celebrated among three communities in Ziro — Diibo-Hija, Hari-Bulla, and Hong of Apatani plateau — on a rotational basis.
- It includes rituals for prosperity, fertility, purification, and sacrifice performed by the village shaman or priest, and many interesting cultural elements such as folk performances and processions.
- **Dree Festival** - it is an agricultural festival of the Apatani tribe. It's celebrated by sacrificial offerings and prayers to the gods who protect the crops.
- Folk songs, traditional dances, and other cultural performances have also become a part of the modern-day festivities.

5) Consider the following statements with respect to Kharchi Puja

1. It is celebrated by the tribal of Maharashtra on the occasion of harvest season.
2. It continues for seven days with worship of fourteen deities.

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 : b

Kharchi Puja

- One of most renowned pujas in Tripura, Kharchi Puja is a sacred procedure of offering reverence to the Mother Earth.
- The Kharchi Puja continues for seven days and the people of Tripura with utmost dedication offer worship to the Fourteen Deities who are worshipped during Kharchi Puja.