



Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 07-01-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

1) Consider the following statements with respect to Human Metapneumovirus (HMPV) Infection

1. It is a common respiratory virus like a cold.
2. It falls in the Pneumoviridae family along with Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV).
3. There is currently no vaccine, and antiviral treatment is not recommended.

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

Human Metapneumovirus (HMPV) Infection

- **HMPV** - It is a common *respiratory virus* that causes lower and upper respiratory infections (like a cold).
- It falls in the Pneumoviridae family along with Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV).
- **Treatment** - There is *currently no vaccine*, and antiviral treatment is not recommended.

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2) Consider the following statements with respect to Green Bank

1. It is a new financing trend where banks shift their investment strategies to focus on sustainable technologies and environmentally-friendly initiatives.
2. Bank of Baroda is the first green bank in India, by going green and encouraging green energy projects.
3. The World Bank yet to approve the \$1.5 billion funding for India in its efforts to develop energy from low carbon sources.

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 : a

Green Bank

- It is a new financing trend where banks shift their investment strategies to focus on sustainable technologies and environmentally-friendly initiatives.
- State Bank of India is the first green bank in India, by going green and encouraging green energy projects. **(Statement 2 is incorrect)**
- The World Bank approves the \$1.5 billion funding for India in its efforts to develop energy from low carbon sources. **(Statement 3 is incorrect)**

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3) Consider the following statements with respect to Island Development Agency (IDA)

1. It is the nodal agency created for holistic development of Islands.
2. It is established by the Ministry of Home affairs.

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 : c

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4) Lempa River, often recently seen in news is a transboundary river shared by which of the following countries?

1. El Salvador
2. Guatemala
3. Mexico
4. Cuba
5. Honduras

Consider the codes:

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

Answer : c

Lempa River (Rio Lempa)

- It is a transboundary river shared by countries such as *El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras*.

5) Consider the following statements with respect to Cold Wave

1. The United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction defines cold wave as a phenomenon where surface temperatures in an area fall below a certain threshold for at least 5 consecutive days.

2. India Meteorological Department defines that a cold wave is declared when minimum temperatures are 10°C or lower in the hills, or 0°C or lower in the plains, sustained over 3 consecutive days.

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 : d

Cold Wave Definition

- The United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction defines cold wave as a phenomenon where surface temperatures in an area fall below a certain threshold for *at least 2 consecutive days*. **(Statement 1 is incorrect).**
- According to the IMD, a cold wave is declared when minimum temperatures are 10°C or lower in the plains, or 0°C or lower in the hills, sustained over 3 consecutive days. **(Statement 2 is incorrect).**

6) Kerala Forest (Amendment) Bill, 2024 has recently brought in by Kerala Government with main objective of?

- a. It is to unify and amend the laws regarding forest protection and management in Kerala.
- b. It deals with the vesting and assignment of private forests in Kerala.
- c. It focuses on the protection of specific tree species within the state.
- d. It is to prevent using the forest as a place for dumping waste materials.

Answer : d

Kerala Forest (Amendment) Bill, 2024

- The Kerala government has brought in a Bill to amend the Kerala Forest Act, 1961.
- It is to *prevent using the forest as a place for dumping waste materials*.

7) The species, Ipsea malabarica often recently seen in news is related to which of the below mentioned species?

- a. Malabar large-spotted civet
- b. Malabar daffodil orchid
- c. Malabar Raven Butterfly
- d. Malabar Tree Toad

Answer : b

Ipsea malabarica

- It is also known as the *Malabar daffodil orchid*.
- It is a species of ground orchids endemic to the high altitude hills of the southern Western Ghats in India.

Other Species

Malabar large-spotted civet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This dog-like species is found in the Western Ghats. • It has a gray coat with darker patterns, and 5 white rings on its tail. • It is nocturnal and prefers to be alone.
Malabar Raven Butterfly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This butterfly is part of the Papilio genus, which includes the Helen and Mormon Swallowtails.
Malabar Tree Toad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is the <i>only arboreal species in India</i>, having the unique capability to climb trees. • It is found in forests along the Western Ghats of great Karnataka or Deccan.

8) Match the following

Articles of the constitution

Provisions

Article 124	Establishment and constitution of Supreme Court
Article 217	Transfer of a Judge from one High Court to another
Article 222	Appointment and conditions of the office of a Judge of a High Court

Consider the codes:

- 1 only
- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- All of the above

Answer : a



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Articles of the constitution and its provisions

Article 124	• Establishment and constitution of Supreme Court
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(Statement 2 and 3 is incorrect)

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