



Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 13-01-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

1) Match the following

Harvest Festivals

States

Khichdi	-	Uttar Pradesh
Lohri	-	Telangana
Uttarayan	-	Gujarat
Pedda Panduga	-	Punjab

Consider the following codes:

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

Answer : b

Harvest Festivals of India



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- **Answer** - Lohri and Pedda panduga are incorrectly matched.

Harvest Festivals	States
Khichdi	Uttar Pradesh
Lohri	Punjab
Uttarayan	Gujarat
Pedda Panduga	Telangana

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2) Consider the following statements with respect to Post-Retirement Benefit (PRB) Cell

1. The PRB cell will provide a single window for retirees to obtain information and resolve issues.
2. It is launched by the Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare.

Which of the statements mentioned above is/are correct?

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

Answer : a

Post-Retirement Benefit (PRB) Cell

- The PRB Cell, acting as a single window, consolidates various post-retirement services under one roof, streamlining the process for retired employees.
- It is launched by South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL), a Chhattisgarh-based subsidiary of Coal India Limited (CIL). **(Statement 2 is incorrect)**

3) Consider the statements with respect to Swami Vivekananda

1. Vivekananda preached 'neo-Vedanta', an interpretation of Hinduism through a Western lens.
2. In 1893, he took the name 'Vivekananda' after the request of Maharaja Ajit Singh of the Khetri State.
3. He wrote several books, including 'Raja Yoga', 'Jnana Yoga' and 'Karma Yoga'.

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

Swami Vivekananda

- Vivekananda was born in Kolkata on January 12, 1863, as Narendra Nath Datta.
- He Patronised Ramakrishna.
- In 1893, he took the name 'Vivekananda' after the request of Maharaja Ajit Singh of the Khetri State.
- Vivekananda is remembered worldwide for his speech at the Parliament of the World's Religions in Chicago in 1893.
- In 1899, he established the Belur Math in Howrah, West Bengal.
- The practice of yoga was also an important part of his legacy.
- He wrote several books, including 'Raja Yoga', 'Jnana Yoga' and 'Karma Yoga'.

4) Consider the following statements with respect to Nitrogen Contamination in Groundwater

1. Nearly 56% of India's districts have excessive nitrate in groundwater, defined as having more than 45 mg/l (milligram per litre).
2. It leads to methemoglobinemia, or a reduced ability of red blood cells to carry oxygen.
3. Vulnerable areas in India are Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Odisha.

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

Nitrogen Contamination in Groundwater

- Nearly 56% of India's districts have excessive nitrate in groundwater, defined as having **more than 45 mg/l (milligram per litre)**.

- **Vulnerable areas - Rajasthan, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu. (Statement 2 is incorrect)**
- It leads to **methemoglobinemia**, or a reduced ability of red blood cells to carry oxygen.

5) Consider the following statements with respect to ICEGATE

1. ICEGATE is the Indian Customs Electronic Gateway (ICEGATE) that facilitates Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) for trade users in connection with customs operations.
2. It is a part of the Indian Customs department.

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

Indian Customs Electronic Gateway (ICEGATE)

- ICEGATE is the Indian Customs Electronic Gateway (ICEGATE) that facilitates Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) for trade users in connection with customs operations.
- It acts as a hub for the seamless exchange of trade-related information among various stakeholders, including importers, exporters, and government departments.
- It is a part of the Indian Customs department.

