Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 10-02-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

1) Consider the following statements regarding PM-DevINE Scheme:

1. The scheme funds for infrastructure and social development projects in the North-East region.
2. The scheme is implemented as central sector scheme by the Ministry of Urban development.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

    a. 1 only

    b. 2 only

    c. Both 1 and 2

    d. Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : a

PM-DevINE Scheme:

- Prime Minister's Development Initiative for North Eastern Region (PM-DevINE), is an Central Sector scheme that aims to fund infrastructure and social development projects in the North-East region.***(Statement 1 is correct).***
- The scheme is implemented by the ***Ministry of Development of North-East Region. (Statement 2 is not correct).***
- The objectives of PM-DevINE scheme are to
  - Fund infrastructure convergently, in the spirit of PM GatiShakti.
  - Support social development projects based on felt needs of the NER.
  - Enable livelihood activities for youth and women.
  - Fill the development gaps in various sectors.

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2) Consider the following statements regarding the National Commission for Safai Karamcharis (NCSK):

1. It is a statutory body that functions under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
2. It is responsible for implementing the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and Their Rehabilitation Act, 2013.
3. It is the only body which keep track of sewer deaths in India.

Which of the statement(s) 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

National Commission for Safai Karamcharis :

- The National Commission for Safai Karamcharis (NCSK) was constituted in 1994 as a statutory body, *__since 2004 it has been acting as a Non-Statutory body__* of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. *__(Statement 1 is not correct).__*
- One of the important functions of the NCSK is *__to monitor the implementation of the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013__*. *__(Statement 2 is correct).__*
- It is the *__only body keeping track of sewer deaths in India__*. *__(Statement 3 is correct).__*

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3) Which among the following is *not* correct with respect to the Search And Rescue Aid Tool (SARAT)?

    a. It was developed by the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) to assist in maritime rescue operations.

    b. It uses drift prediction models based on ocean currents and wind patterns for tracking missing vessels.

    c. Ministry of Earth Sciences is the nodal ministry for SARAT.

    d. None of the statements are correct

Answer : a

Search And Rescue Aid Tool (SARAT) :

- SARAT was developed by The *__Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services ,__* (not by National Disaster Response Force NDRF). *__(Option (a) is not correct).__*
- It is designed to aid in search and rescue operations in the seas by predicting the drift trajectories of missing vessels or individuals, improving the efficiency of rescue missions.
- It is anchored to the Last Known Position (LKP) of the object rather than the minimum longitude in the search area.
- SARAT functions under the Ministry of Earth Sciences.
- SARAT uses drift prediction models based on ocean currents and wind patterns for tracking missing vessels.

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4) Consider the following statements with respect Aatmanirbharta in Pulses:

1. It was launched by the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare.
2. It focuses on achieving self-sufficiency in the production of Tur, Urad, and Masoor.
3. It aims to increase the export of Indian pulses to global markets.

How many of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

    a. Only one

    b. Only two

    c. All three

d. None of the above

Answer : b

Aatmanirbharta in Pulses:

- The ***Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare*** is the nodal ministry overseeing the initiative of Aatmanirbharta in Pulses to boost domestic pulse production. *(Statement 1 is correct).*
- It focuses on achieving ***self-sufficiency in the production of Tur, Urad, and Masoor***. *(Statement 2 is correct).*
- Under this mission, National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India (NAFED) and National Cooperative Consumers' Federation of India (NCCF) will procure Tur, Urad, and Masoor from farmers who register and enter into agreements with them.
- The ***mission aims to reduce import dependency by boosting domestic production of pulses***. (not to increase the export of Indian pulses to global markets). *(Statement 3 is not correct).*

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5) Consider the following statements regarding Dibru-Saikhowa National Park:

1. It is located in the state of Assam.
2. It is the largest swamp forest in Northeast India.
3. The park was initially created to conserve the rare white-winged wood duck.
4. The park is bounded by the Ganges and Teesta rivers.

How many of the statement(s) given above is/ are correct?

    a. Only one

    b. Only two

    c. Only three

    d. All four

Answer : c

Dibru-Saikhowa National Park:

- Dibru-Saikhowa National Park is a national park and biosphere reserve located in Assam, India, specifically in the districts of Dibrugarh and Tinsukia. *(Statement 1 is correct).*
- It mainly consists of moist mixed semi-evergreen forests, moist mixed deciduous forests, canebrakes, and grasslands. It is also the largest salix swamp forest in north-eastern India. *(Statement 2 is correct).*
- The ***park was originally created to help conserve the habitat of the rare white-winged wood duck***, whereby it is also home to other rare creatures such as water buffalo, black-breasted parrotbill, tiger and capped langur. *(Statement 3 is correct).*
- The park is situated around 12 km north of Tinsukia town and is bounded by the ***Brahmaputra and Lohit rivers in the north and the Dibru River in the south***. *(Statement 4 is not correct)*.

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