



### Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 04-03-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

1) With reference to Blue Ghost Mission 1, consider the following statements:

1. It is a NASA programme to make a soft lunar landing.
2. The mission will capture high-definition images of a total eclipse on March 14 from the Moon's surface.
3. Its scientific payload includes an experiment testing the feasibility of using global satellite navigation systems on the Moon.

Which of the above statements 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



### Blue Ghost Mission 1

- Blue Ghost Mission 1 is an ***initiative of the Firefly Aerospace*** and is a second private mission to make a soft lunar landing. (**Statement 1 is incorrect**)
- The mission will capture high-definition images of a total eclipse on March 14, where Earth will block sunlight from reaching the Moon.
- One of the mission's experiments will test whether global satellite navigation systems can be used for lunar navigation.

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2) Consider the following statements with respect to *Hipposideros Srilankaensis*

1. It is endemic to India.
2. It is a leaf-nosed bat species that are found in dense forests to caves.

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

### *Hipposideros srilankaensis*

- The species, **Hipposideros srilankaensis**, has been described as a new species of leaf-nosed bat that is **endemic to Sri Lanka**. (**Statement 1 is incorrect**)
- Genetic analysis confirmed its distinctiveness (e.g., in cranial characteristics and noseleaf structure) compared to the Indian **Hipposideros brachyotus**.

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3) What is the theme for World Wildlife Day, 2025?

- Conserving Nature for Future Generations.
- Wildlife Conservation Finance: Investing in People and Planet
- Biodiversity: The Foundation of Life.
- Nature in Harmony: Global Efforts for Wildlife Protection.

Answer : b

## World Wildlife Day

- **Celebrated on** - 3<sup>rd</sup> March, every year.
- **Objective** - To celebrate wild animals & plants, recognize their unique roles and contributions of wildlife to people and the planet.
- **Theme, 2025** - Wildlife Conservation Finance: Investing in People and Planet.
- **WWD, 2025** - Will serve as a platform for exchange and exploration of innovative financial solutions for wildlife conservation.

4) The appointment of the SEBI Chairman, is approved by?

- Cabinet Secretariat
- Appointments Committee of the Cabinet
- Ministry of Finance and Corporate Affairs
- Prime Minister's Office

Answer : b

## Chairman of Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)

- The appointment of the SEBI Chairman, is approved by Appointments Committee of the Cabinet.
- **Age limit** - 65 Years.
- **Tenure** - The Chairman shall hold office for **3 years**, as many be specified in the order of his appointment.

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5) Consider the following two statements about the cause of Maple Syrup Urine Disease (MSUD)

1. It is a rare genetic disorder characterized by deficiency of an enzyme complex
2. It is caused due to lack of dietary protein in early childhood.

Which of the above statements is/are **incorrect**?

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

Answer : b

## Maple Syrup Urine Disease

- MSUD is a genetic disorder that occurs when a child inherits mutated genes from both parents.
- **Statement 2 is Incorrect** because it is caused when a mutated form of the BCKDHA, BCKDHB or DBT gene is inherited from both parent not caused by lack of dietary protein.

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