

Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 07-03-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

- 1) What is the primary objective of the Pashu Aushadhi Kendras?
 - a. To promote the export of veterinary medicines internationally.
 - b. To provide generic veterinary and ethnoveterinary medicines.
 - c. To establish large-scale veterinary hospitals in urban centers.
 - d. To focus on the treatment of wild animals exclusively.

Answer: b

Pashu Aushadhi Kendras

- It is a new component added to the **Livestock Health and Disease** Control Program scheme.
- Run by Cooperative societies and Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samriddhi Kendras (PMKSK).
- To provide good quality and affordable generic veterinary medicine and incentive for sale of medicines under Pashu Aushadhi component.

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2) Consider the following statements about Lankamala

Statement I: Lankamala was a major Vaishnavite pilgrimage centre.

Statement II: Inscriptions found at Lankamala are written exclusively in Shankha script.

Which one of the following statments is/are correct?

- a. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- b. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- c. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- d. Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect.

Answer: d

Lankamala Shaivite Centre

- Lankamala was a **major Shaivite** pilgrimage centre.
- The inscriptions recorded in multiple scripts—including Siddhamatrika, Shankha, and Devanagari (with additional inscriptions in Brahmi).

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- 3) The genus Epidelaxia, recorded for the first time in India, was discovered in which of the following locations?
 - a. Bandipur National Park, Karnataka
 - b. Shendurney Wildlife Sanctuary, Kerala
 - c. Periyar Tiger Reserve, Kerala
 - d. Mudumalai National Park, Tamil Nadu

Answer: b

Jumping Spiders

- The new species of jumping spiders discovered in **Shendurney Wildlife Sanctuary in Kollam, Kerala**.
- New species Epidelaxia falciformis sp. nov. and Epidelaxia palustris sp. Nov.
- **Genus** Epidelaxia, 1^{st} time the genus has been <u>recorded from India</u>, was previously considered endemic to Sri Lanka.

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- 4) Consider the following statements regarding Shingles
 - 1. Shingles is caused by the reactivation of the varicella-zoster virus (VZV), the same virus that causes chickenpox.
 - 2. Adults aged 50 and above are at high risk for developing shingles.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

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

Answer: c

Shingles

- Shingles is indeed caused by the reactivation of the varicella-zoster virus (VZV).
- Adults aged 50 and above are considered a high-risk group for developing shingles.

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- 5) Consider the following statements regarding Carbon Intensity (CI)
 - 1. Carbon Intensity is a metric to measure how much carbon a particular sector emits and how its emissions have increased or decreased over time.
 - 2. An entire country's carbon intensity is calculated by dividing the growth in GDP per capita by the amount of carbon dioxide emitted.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

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

Answer: c

Carbon Intensity (CI)

- **About** It is a useful way to <u>measure how much carbon a particular</u> <u>sector is emitting</u> and how it has increased or decreased over time.
- **Measurement** An entire country's carbon intensity can be calculated by dividing the growth in GDP per capita by the amount of carbon dioxide emitted.
- \bullet Recently, China lowered its carbon intensity by 3.4% in 2024, by missing its target of 3.9%.

