



### Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 08-03-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

1) Consider the following statements regarding the Rashtriya Karmayogi Jan Seva Programme

1. It was launched by the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances, and Pensions.
2. It aims to foster a stronger sense of Seva Bhav among government officials.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

Answer : a

### Rashtriya Karmayogi Jan Seva Programme

- It is launched by the **Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment**.
- It aims to develop a stronger sense of 'Seva Bhav' (spirit of service) among government officials to improve public service delivery.
- The initiative aligns with the broader vision of capacity building and enhancing efficiency in governance.

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2) Consider the following statements with respect to the Cantor's Giant Softshell Turtle

1. It is native to the rivers of south and south-east Asia.
2. It can be found on the banks of the Chandragiri River in Kerala.

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 : c

### Cantor's Giant Softshell Turtle

- Cantor's Giant Softshell Turtle is **native to the rivers of south and south-east Asia**.
- It can be found on the banks of the Chandragiri River in Kerala, southern India.

- **Habitat** – Inhabits inland, slow-moving freshwater rivers, lakes, streams, and estuaries across Southeast Asia.
- **Conservation Status** – Critically Endangered due to habitat destruction and overharvesting.
- **Notable Characteristics** – Spends most of its life buried and motionless, surfacing only twice a day to breathe and capture prey.

3) Consider the following statements regarding Goliath beetles

1. They are among the world's largest insects.
2. They play a crucial role in nutrient cycling within forest ecosystems.

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 : c

## Goliath beetles

- Goliath beetles (genus Goliathus) are among the largest and heaviest insects in the world, found primarily in African tropical forests.
- They contribute to nutrient cycling by breaking down organic matter, which helps enrich the soil and support plant and animal life.
- Their larvae feed on decaying wood and plant matter, playing an essential role in maintaining forest ecosystem balance.

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4) Consider the following statements regarding the Samaveshi Aajeevika Yojana

1. It empowers rural women with business training and financial aid under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM).
2. It follows the Graduation Approach to help rural households transition out of poverty.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

Answer : d

## Samaveshi Aajeevika Yojana

- Samaveshi Aajeevika Yojana is implemented under **DAY-NRLM**.
- **Aim** – To provide business training and financial support to rural women for sustainable livelihoods.
- It follows the **Graduation Approach**, which includes skill training, financial services, and mentorship to help poor households become self-reliant.

- The scheme aligns with India's women-led development vision by promoting entrepreneurship and self-sufficiency among rural women.

5) Consider the following statements regarding Reciprocal Tariffs

1. It is a trade policy where a country imposes import duties equal to the tariffs charged on its exports by other nations.
2. India's 50 billion USD trade surplus with the U.S. in 2023 may lead to higher tariffs on Indian exports like pharmaceuticals.

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 : c

## **Reciprocal tariffs**

- It is to ensure fair trade by imposing import duties equal to the tariffs that other nations impose on a country's exports.
- This discourages trade imbalances and tariff discrimination.
- India had a USD 50 billion trade surplus with the U.S. in 2023, meaning India exported much more to the U.S. than it imported.
- To reduce its trade deficit, the U.S. may impose higher tariffs on key Indian exports, such as pharmaceutical.

