

Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 17-09-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

- 1) Consider the following statements with reference to **Manki-Munda system** recently seen in news
 - 1. The Munda is the head of the village responsible for resolving socio-political disputes at the village level.
 - 2. The Munda headed the group of villages, if cases were not resolved by the Manki, they moved upwards to the Munda.
 - 3. The Manki and Munda had no responsibilities for revenue or land-related issues.

Select the correct statements using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 1 and 3
- c. 1 only
- d. 3 only

Answer: d

Explanation



- **Statement 1 is incorrect** The *Munda* is the head of the village responsible for resolving sociopolitical disputes at the village level.
- Each village had one Munda, appointed hereditarily.
- Statement 2 incorrect The *Manki* headed the *pir*, which generally consists of 8 to 15 villages.
- If cases were not resolved by the Munda, they moved upwards to the Manki.
- Statement 3 is correct The Manki and Munda had no responsibilities for revenue or landrelated issues.
- The system was purely an internal, self-governing mechanism, with no sovereign authority outside or the concept of paying taxes.

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- 2) With reference to Defence Procurement Manual (DPM) 2025, consider the following
 - 1. It lays down the guiding principles for all revenue procurements in the Defence Ministry valued around Rs.1 lakh crore for the current fiscal.
 - 2. The recent DPM 2025 document mandated No Objection Certificate (NOC) from Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) for open tenders.

Choose the correct statements using the code given below:

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

Answer: a

Explanation

- **Statement 1 is correct** It lays down the guiding principles and provisions for all revenue procurements in the Defence Ministry valued around Rs.1 lakh crore for the current fiscal.
- It aims to streamline, simplify and rationalize the revenue procurement process for the armed forces.
- **Statement 2 is correct** The requirement for a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) for open tenders <u>has been removed</u> (not mandated) to create a more competitive environment.

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- 3) Consider the following statements about Switch Facility Option in pension scheme
 - 1. It is executed under Central Civil Services (Unified Pension Scheme under National Pension Scheme) Rules 2025.
 - 2. This option help users to switch across Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) and National Pension Scheme (NPS) multiple times.

Select the correct statements using the code given below:

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

Answer: a



Explanation

- **Statement 1 is correct** The "switch facility option" refers to the one-time, one-way option for central government employees under the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) to switch to the National Pension System (NPS).
- Introduced by the Finance Ministry, allows UPS subscribers to transition to the NPS before one year of superannuation or three months before voluntary retirement,
- It help subscribers gaining a more flexible retirement planning choice but forfeiting their UPS benefits.
- Statement 2 is incorrect <u>UPS can switch to NPS only once</u>, and cannot switch back to <u>UPS</u> (not multiple times).
- User not opting for the switch within the stipulated time will continue under UPS.
- Subscriber on opting NPS will get NPS benefits and differential 4% contribution amount.

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4) Consider the following statements

Statement 1: 15th September celebrated as engineer's day on the birth anniversary of Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya.

Statement 2: He built Krishna Raja Sagara (KRS) Dam in 1932 and well known for innovative flood management systems.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- a. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for
- 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. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

Answer: a

Explanation

- **Statement 1 is correct.** 15th September is celebrated as Engineer's Day in India on the birth anniversary of Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya, who was born on 15 September 1861.
- Statement 2 is also correct. Sir M. Visvesvaraya was the chief engineer behind the construction of the Krishna Raja Sagara (KRS) Dam, completed in 1932.
- He is well known for his innovative flood management systems, including the design of automatic sluice gates and flood control measures, which were pioneering at that time.
- Statement 2 explains Statement 1 because the reason Engineer's Day is celebrated on his birthday is to honor his exceptional contributions to engineering, particularly projects like the KRS Dam and flood management systems that had a transformative impact.
- Hence, both statements are correct, and Statement 2 gives the correct explanation for Statement 1.
- 5) Consider the following statements about INS Trikand
 - 1. It is a Talwar-class guided-missile frigate of the Indian Navy.
 - 2. It is powered by 4 gas engines and operates under Western Naval Command, Mumbai.

Select the correct statements using the code given below:

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



Answer: c

Explanation

- Statements 1 and 2 are correct <u>INS Trikand</u> will participate in the maiden bilateral maritime exercise between India and Greece.
- It is a Talwar-class guided-missile frigate of the Indian Navy, <u>built by Yantar shipyard in Kaliningrad</u>, **Russia**.
- It's a part of Indian Navy's Western Fleet and operates under Western Naval Command, Mumbai and its power sourced from 4 gas turbines.

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