

Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 23-09-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

- 1) Which of the following statements about **Biodiversity beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ) treaty** is/are incorrect?
 - 1. BBNJ is first legal international treaty under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).
 - 2. Under this treaty, Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) will be established.
 - 3. It is legally binding in nature.
 - 4. India has signed and ratified this treaty.

Select the answer using the code given below:

- a. Only one
- b. Only two
- c. Only three
- d. None

Answer : a



Explanation

- Statements 1 and 3 are correct <u>BBNJ also called</u> as "<u>The High Seas Treaty"</u> has secured the 60 ratifications needed for its entry into force, paving the way for the treaty to take effect next year.
- This treaty aimed at protecting biodiversity in international waters, those that lie beyond the jurisdiction of any single country.
- It is under the <u>United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea</u> (UNCLOS) and <u>legally binding in</u> nature.
- Statement 2 is correct The objectives of the BBNJ includes -
- Demarcation of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs that do not allow any fishing, mining, drilling, or other extractive activities).
- Sustainable use of marine genetic resources and equitable sharing of benefits arising from them.
- **Statement 4 is incorrect** *India has signed the treaty but yet to ratify it.* (U.S., China, Russia and Japan not ratified).

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- 2) **Iridogorgia Chewbacca** recently seen in news is?
 - a. Deep-sea coral
 - b. Reptile
 - c. Plant species
 - d. Fossils

Answer: a

Explanation

- **Iridogorgia Chewbacca** is a newly identified *deep-sea coral*.
- The coral has become known for its <u>long</u>, <u>hairy</u>, <u>flexible branches and shiny surface</u>.
- The coral grew upright on the ocean floor like the tall figure of the character.
- Its size about height from 20 inches to about 4 feet.
- It is discovered location is at Tropical Western Pacific Ocean.

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- 3) Consider the following statements about Dadasaheb Phalke Award
 - 1. It is awarded for outstanding contribution to the growth and development of Indian cinema.
 - 2. The award is presented annually and consists of a 'Swarna Kamal' (Golden Lotus), a certificate only.

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

The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting announced that Mohanlal, a Malayalam actor, conferred the Dadasaheb Phalke Award 2023.

Dhundiraj Govind Phalke is often regarded as "the father of Indian cinema".

Statement 1 is correct - The Dadasaheb Phalke Award is the Indian cinema's highest honor.

It is awarded for outstanding contribution to the growth and development of Indian cinema.

Statement 2 is incorrect – It consists of a 'Swarna Kamal' (Golden Lotus), *a cash prize of Rs 10 lakh*, a certificate, a silk roll, and a shawl.

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- 4) **Dongar cultivation** recently seen in news practiced by which of the following?
 - a. Kondhs of Odisha
 - b. Bhil tribe of Madhya Pradesh
 - c. Chechus of Andhra Pradesh
 - d. Hattis of Himachalpradesh

Answer: a

Explanation

- Option a is correct answer.
- 'Dongar' cultivation is in danger due to eucalyptus monoculture by outsiders.

- It is practiced by Kondh tribals in Odisha's Rayagada.
- An age-old dongar practice is a *traditional mixed cropping system* practiced on hill slopes.
- The crops include Millets, pulses and oilseeds are grown together.

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- 5) Consider the following statements
 - 1. International Day of Sign Languages will be celebrated on September 23rd annually.
 - 2. It was established through UN General Assembly Resolution.
 - 3. The theme of the 2025 is "Hear the Victims End Enforced Disappearances".

Select the correct statements using the code given below:

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

Answer: a

Explanation

- **Statements 1 and 2 are correct** International Day of Sign Languages *is a part of the International Week of the Deaf*, that took place during on 22nd to 28th September 2025.
- It will be *celebrated on 23rd September annually*, Started from 2018.
- It was established in 2017, through UN General Assembly Resolution.
- Commemorate to Formation of World Federation of the Deaf, 1951.
- Statement 3 is incorrect The theme for 2025 is "No Human Rights without Sign Language Rights".
- "Hear the Victims End Enforced Disappearances" is of International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances (not International Day of Sign Languages).

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