

Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 25-10-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

- 1) The report on "India's Blue Economy: Strategy for Harnessing Deep-Sea and Offshore Fisheries" is released by?
 - a. NITI Aayog
 - b. Ministry of fisheries animal husbandry and dairying
 - c. Ministry of commerce
 - d. Ministry of finance

Answer: a

Explanation

- Option a is the correct answer.
- Recently **NITI Aayog** has released a report on "India's Blue Economy: Strategy for Harnessing Deep-Sea and Offshore Fisheries".
- The report outlining a phased approach for sustainable development of fisheries sector using technology and community involvement.
- The strategy is based on a framework that is science-based, technology-enabled, socially inclusive, and ecologically sustainable, identifies six key policy interventions.
- **Key Findings of the report** India is the 2nd largest fish-producing country in the world, accounting for 8% of global production.
- India's fisheries sector supports nearly 30 million livelihoods and still there is huge untapped potential in deep-sea and offshore fishing.

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- 2) Consider the following statements about **British Academy Book Prize**
 - 1. The purpose of the prize is to reward world's best works in the fields of both fiction and no-fiction.
 - 2. The eligibility criteria is that the books must be published in the UK, with authors of any nationality provided that the nominated work is available in the English language.

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: b

Explanation

• Indian-origin historian Sunil Amrith wins British Academy Book Prize recently for his work

"The Burning Earth: An Environmental History of the Last 500 Years"

- **Statement 1 is incorrect** It is a prestigious award that celebrates the world's best works of **non-fiction** i.e to reward writing grounded in exceptional research in the fields of the humanities and social sciences.
- **Statement 2 is correct** The books must be works of non-fiction published in the UK, with authors of any nationality, based anywhere in the world and working in any language, provided that the nominated work is available in the English language.
- It also includes the prize amount of 25,000-pound.

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- 3) Which of the following are the ecosystem services are provided by the ground beetles?
 - 1. Soil aeration
 - 2. Nutrient immobilization
 - 3. Biological pest control
 - 4. Bio-indicators for micro-plastics

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. Only one
- b. Only two
- c. Only three
- d. All four

Answer: d

Explanation



- 1 is correct Beetles tunneling activity improves soil structure, drainage, and aeration, similar to earthworms, which benefits plant roots.
- 2 is correct Some beetles also help immobilize and distribute nutrients in the soil.
- 3 is correct Many beetles, such as ground beetles and ladybugs, are natural predators of common pests, reducing the need for chemical pesticides.
- 4 is correct The carabid ground beetles diet has also begun to include microplastics.
- Recent studies have identified carabid ground beetles as potential bioindicators for tracking soil microplastics.

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- 4) Which of the following comes under the category of **Tertiary sector**?
 - 1. Finance
 - 2. Transport
 - 3. Mining

Select the correct answer using the code below:

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

Answer: b

Explanation

- *Tertiary sector* includes all service-based industries, such as retail, banking, and healthcare.
- 1 and 2 are correct Service sector category constitutes of trade, hotels and restaurants, transport, storage and communication, finance, insurance, real estate, business services, community and personal services, and services associated with construction.
- 3 is incorrect Mining comes under the category of primary sector (focuses on the harvesting and extraction of natural resources. Examples include mining, fishing, and farming.)
- 5) **Daroji sanctuary** located at which of the following states?
 - a. Kerala
 - b. Madhya Pradesh
 - c. Karnataka
 - d. Assam

Answer: c

Explanation

- Recently, The Rare *Indian scops owl* spotted near *Karnataka's Daroji sanctuary*, the first recorded sighting of the species in this region.
- Indian scops owl is a nocturnal bird, known for its distinct ear-like tufts and exceptional camouflage.
- It is found across India, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bangladesh, and parts of Pakistan.
- It habitat includes open woodlands, gardens, urban areas, and groves, often near human habitation.

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