

Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 02-12-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

- 1) Operation Sagar Bandhu recently launched by India associated with which of the following countries?
 - a. Sri Lanka
 - b. Singapore
 - c. Thailand
 - d. Mauritius

Answer: a

Explanation

Option a is the correct answer.

- India has launched *Operation Sagar Bandhu to aid Sri Lanka* following Cyclone Ditwah, which has claimed at least 80 lives.
- Indian Navy's aircraft carrier *INS Vikrant* and frontline warship *INS Udaigiri*, which arrived in Colombo.
- C-130J aircraft deployed carried around 12 tonnes of humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) equipment under the operation.
- The support was guided by <u>India's Neighbourhood First policy</u> and <u>Vision MAHASAGAR</u>.
- 2) Which of the following is known as the Red planet?
 - a. Mercury
 - b. Venus
 - c. Jupitar
 - d. Mars

Answer: d

Explanation

- Option d is the correct answer.
- Red Planet Day is observed annually on November 28 to celebrate the exploration and study of Mars.
- Mars planet often referred to as the "Red Planet" due to its reddish appearance caused by iron oxide on its surface.
- Recently the <u>Perseverance rover picked up audio evidence of electric discharges</u> in the red planet's atmosphere. This phenomenon gives evidence of lightning on Mars.
- Not high-voltage lightning like Earth, similar to static electricity from scuffing feet on carpet. It is caused by dust particles rubbing together in Martian atmosphere (especially during dust storms).

3) Which of the following pairs are correctly matched?

Border Lines	Between
1. McMahon Line	Pakistan and India
2. Radcliffe Line	Afghanistan and Pakistan
3. Durand line	China and India

Select the correct answer using he code below:

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

Answer: d

Explanation

- 1 is incorrectly matched McMahon Line line serves as the boundary between India and China, established during the Shimla Convention in 1914.
- It is named after Sir Henry McMahon, who was the British foreign secretary at the time. The line is approximately 890 kilometers long and is recognized by India but disputed by China.
- 2 is incorrectly matched Radcliffe Line: named after Sir Cyril Radcliffe, who chaired the boundary commission, this line was drawn in August 1947 to demarcate the borders between India and Pakistan.
- It spans about 3,323 kilometers and also separates India from Bangladesh on the eastern side.
- 3 is incorrectly matched *Durand Line* is the international land border that stretches for about 2,600 km between **Afghanistan and Pakistan**.
- It stretches from the border with Iran in the west to China's border in the east, spanning through the Karakoram range to the Registan desert.
- 4) Consider the following Statements
 - 1. The Ellora caves are older than the Ajanta caves.
 - 2. The Ajanta and Ellora Caves are in Madhya Pradesh.

Select the correct statements using the code below:

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

Answer: d

Explanation

- Statement 1 is incorrect Ajanta Caves dating back to the 2nd century BCE to the 6th century CE.
- They are significant for their artistic and historical value, showcasing the evolution of Buddhist art and architecture over centuries.
- Ellora Caves located near Aurangabad, these caves are famous for their monumental rock-cut

temples representing three different religions: Buddhism, Hinduism, and Jainism.

- The caves date from the **5th to the 10th century CE** and are notable for their architectural grandeur and intricate sculptures.
- Thus, Ajanta caves are older than Ellora caves.
- Statement 2 is incorrect The Ajanta and Ellora Caves are in Maharashtra, India. Ajanta Caves approximately 107 km north of Aurangabad, situated in a horseshoe-shaped gorge above the Waghora River.
- Ellora Caves approximately 30 km northwest of Aurangabad, near the village of Verul.
- Both sites are significant for their historical and architectural importance.
- 5) Consider the following statements
 - 1. Sambhar lake is the largest saltwater lake in Asia and a Ramsar site from India.
 - 2. It is located in the state of Rajasthan.

Select the correct statements using the code below:

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

Answer: b

Explanation

- Statement 1 is incorrect, but statement 2 is correct.
- Sambhar lake is India's largest inland saltwater lake, represents the depression of the Aravalli Range. <u>Caspian Sea is the Asia's Largest saltwater lake</u>.
- It is a wetland of 'international importance' under the Ramsar Convention, declared in 1990 located in Rajasthan state.