



### Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 03-12-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

1) The 3rd edition of the **World Skills Asia Competition 2025** was held in?

- a. Beijing, China
- b. Taipei, Taiwan
- c. New Delhi, India
- d. Belem, Brazil

Answer : b

#### Explanation

- **Option b is the correct answer - World Skills Asia** is an international non-profit organization that unites Asian countries to promote technical skills and vocational education.
- The 3rd edition of the WorldSkills Asia Competition was held in **Taipei, Taiwan**.
- **India rank is 8th** among 29 participating nations *in its first-ever participation*.
- The competitors were selected through IndiaSkills National Competition 2024 and trained rigorously with industry, academia, and global experts.

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Consider the following statements about **Purchasing Managers Index (PMI)**

1. It is released every three months by Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation (MoSPI).
2. It accounts only for business activity trends in the manufacturing.

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 2 is incorrect** - PMI is an economic indicator derived from monthly surveys of companies. It reflects business activity trends in the **manufacturing & services sectors**.
- It is of 2 types i.e., Manufacturing PMI and Services PMI, also a combined PMI is also available.
- **Statement 1 is incorrect** - It is compiled by S&P Global, a global major in financial information and analytics.

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3) Heron Mk II recently seen in news is?

- a. Aircraft
- b. Tanker
- c. Rocket launcher
- d. UAV

Answer : d

### Explanation

- **Option d is the correct answer** - ***Heron MK-II*** is a medium-altitude long-endurance (MALE) ***unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV)***.
- MALE UAV is built to fly between 10,000 and 30,000 feet for long periods, often more than 24 hours, nonstop.
- It bridges the gap between smaller tactical drones and larger high-altitude systems, offering the right mix of endurance, payload, and cost-efficiency.
- It is developed by **Israel Aerospace Industry (IAI)**.

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4) The term “**Ezhadi pattam**” with reference to Ancient India refers to?

- a. A group of paintings
- b. Stone beds
- c. Cloth
- d. Metal used for exchange



Answer : b

### Explanation

- **Option b is the correct answer** - The ***Jain ascetic stone beds*** are collectively known as **Ezhadi pattam**.
- This arrangement is a feature of **Sittanavasal cave**, Viralimalai, Pudukkottai district of Tamil Nadu.
- It is famous for its **2nd-century Jain cave** complex that flourished as a Jain center from the 7th to 9th centuries.

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5) Which of the following ministries launched **Direct Benefit Transfer of LPG (DBTL)-PAHAL Scheme**?

- a. Ministry of Power
- b. Ministry of consumer affairs, food and public distribution
- c. Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas
- d. Ministry of Panchayati Raj

Answer : c

### Explanation

- **Option c is the correct answer.**

- **DBTL (Direct Benefit Transfer of LPG)-PAHAL (Pratyaksh Hanstantrit Labh)** is India's flagship initiative for transferring LPG subsidies directly into the bank accounts of eligible consumers.
- This scheme **aims to** reduce subsidy leakage, eliminate duplication, and ensure subsidy reaches the intended beneficiaries.
- It was *launched by* **Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas** and implemented through Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) and UIDAI.
- **All domestic LPG consumers who have completed the KYC process and linked their Aadhaar** or bank account details with their LPG consumer number are eligible.

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