Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 31-12-2025 (Online Prelims Test)

1) The terms “lapis lazuli, jade, turquoise” with reference to Indian history are?

a. Cloth
b. Trade stamps
c. Semi-precious stones
d. Ornaments

Answer : c

Explanation

- **Option c is the correct answer**.
- Shrouded in a heavy blanket of fog, the **Taj Mahal** seemed to disappear as dense mist engulfed Agra, drastically reducing visibility across the city.
- It was designated as a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1983.
- ***Decorative features of Taj Mahal includes***–
  - It uses White Makrana marble, red Sikri sandstone with inlay of precious & semi?precious stones;
  - ***Pietra dura*** - Inlay of ***semiprecious stones*** (**lapis lazuli, jade, crystal, turquoise, amethyst**) in floral/geometric designs;
  - Arabesque calligraphy (Quranic verses);
  - High and low relief carvings; and
  - Extensive jali (lattice screen) works.

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2) Consider the following statements about Alice in Wonderland Syndrome (AIWS)

1. It is a rare neurological condition that causes temporary distortions in body movements causing sudden collapses.
2. Episodes of this syndrome are usually brief, lasting from a few minutes to about half an hour.
3. There is no specific treatment available for this syndrome.

Select the correct statements using the codes below:

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

Answer : b

Explanation

- **Statement 1 is incorrect – AIWS** is a *rare* ***neurological condition*** that causes temporary *distortions in how a person observes size, distance, body image, and time.*
- **Statement 2 is correct** – Symptoms of the AIWS include
- Objects appear larger or smaller than reality (micropsia/macropsia).
- Distorted sense of distance (things seem closer/farther).
- ***Duration*** of episodes are usually *brief, shorter, lasting from a few minutes to about half an hour.*
- **Statement 3 is correct** – There is **no specific treatment**; it focuses on treating the underlying cause.
- Infections resolve naturally, migraines need preventive care, epilepsy/lesions require targeted therapy, and reassurance is essential.

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3) Consider the following statements

1. Unlike the First Information Report (FIR), the victim or informant can go to any police station to file a Zero FIR.
2. Zero FIR is introduced in 2013 based on the recommendation of the Justice Verma Committee.

Select the correct statements using the codes below:

a. 1 only

b. 2 only

c. Both 1 and 2

d. Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : c

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Explanation

- **Statement 1 is correct** – ***Zero FIR*** is a type of FIR that **can be filed at any police station,** regardless of the jurisdiction where the crime occurred.
- It can be filed either by victim or informant.
- ***First Information Report (FIR)*** *can be filed only in the* police station under whose area the crime occurred.
- **Statement 2 is correct** – **Zero FIR** introduced *in 2013 on the recommendation of the* ***Justice Verma Committee*** to make police more responsive in cases of sexual violence and other serious crimes.

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4) Which of the following are the members of **Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement**?

1. Thailand
2. China
3. Japan
4. North Korea
5. New Zealand

Select the correct answer using the codes below:

a. 1, 2, 4

b. 1, 2, 3, 5

c. 2, 3, 5 only

d. 1, 3, 4, 5

Answer : b

Explanation

- **Option b is the correct answer** – The ***Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP)*** includes 15 Asia-Pacific countries:
  - 10 ASEAN nations (Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, **Thailand**, Vietnam)
  - plus Australia, **China**, **Japan**, South Korea, and **New Zealand**.
- It forms the ***world's largest trade bloc by GDP and population***, aimed at reducing tariffs and boosting regional trade.
- India has Free Trade Agreements with all RCEP countries except China, once FTA with New Zealand comes into effect.

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5) Consider the following statements

1. BlueBird Block-2 Satellite is, an earth observation satellite, Deployed in Low Earth Orbit.
2. It is developed by US-based AST SpaceMobile, used ISRO's heaviest rocket GSLV Mk-III for launch.

Select the correct statements using the codes below:

a. 1 only

b. 2 only

c. Both 1 and 2

d. Neither 1 nor 2

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Answer : b

Explanation

- **Statement 1 is incorrect** – BlueBird Block-2 Satellite is, communication satellite, Deployed in Low Earth Orbit.
- **Statement 2 is correct** – It is developed by US-based AST SpaceMobile, used ISRO's heaviest rocket GSLV Mk-III for launch.

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