Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 28-02-2026 (Online Prelims Test)

1) Which one of the following is not a Rabi crop?

a. Wheat
b. Rice
c. Barley
d. Mustard

Answer : b

Explanation

- **Option b is correct answer** – ***Rice***, Maize, Cotton, Jowar, Bajra *are* ***Khariff crops (Monsoon (Jun-Jul)***.
- Wheat, Barley, Gram, Mustard, Peas are **Rabi crops (Autumn/Winter (Oct-Dec))**.

2) Consider the following statements

1. The Pax Silica Initiative is a U.S.-led strategic coalition.
2. India is a member of the coalition.

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

Explanation

- **Statement 1 is correct** – The **Pax Silica Initiative** is a *U.S.-led strategic coalition* launched in December 2025.
- It aims to secure global supply chains for critical minerals, semiconductors, and artificial intelligence (AI) infrastructure.
- **Statement 2 is correct** – While India was initially excluded from the founding group in late 2025, it formally joined the coalition on February 20, 2026.
- India became a signatory to the Pax Silica Declaration.

3) Consider the following

1. A Bill for altering a state's name can only be introduced in parliament after the President's recommendation.
2. The bill requires special majority of both the houses to become act.
3. Such bill will be introduced under the provisions of article 2.

Select the correct statements using the codes given below:

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

Answer : a

Explanation

- **Statement 1 is correct** – Under **Article 3** of the Indian Constitution,
  - a bill for altering a State's name (or boundaries/area) can be introduced in either House of Parliament *only on the prior recommendation of the President.*
- **Statement 2 is incorrect** – Such a bill is treated as an ordinary bill and requires only a **simple majority** (a majority of members present and voting) in both Houses of Parliament to become an Act.
- Special majority is required for Constitutional Amendment Bills under Article 368.
- **Statement 3 is incorrect** – A bill for altering the name of an existing state is introduced under the provisions of Article 3.
- ***Article 2*** specifically deals with the admission or establishment of new states that were not previously part of the Union of India.

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4) Consider the following statements

1. China is the largest emitter of CO2, USA is second, and India is the third largest in the world.
2. Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) is where CO? is captured permanently stored underground rather than reused, unlike Carbon Capture and Utilisation (CCU).

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

Explanation

- **Statement 1 is correct** – Based on recent data (2023–2024), *China remains the world's largest* emitter of CO?, followed by the USA in second place, and ***India as the third-largest emitter.***
- While India's per capita emissions are significantly lower than the global average, its total volume ranks it third globally.
- **Statement 2 is correct** – Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) specifically involves capturing CO? and injecting it into deep geological formations for permanent storage.
- In contrast, Carbon Capture and Utilisation (CCU) focuses on using the captured CO? as a resource for industrial processes (e.g., manufacturing fuels or chemicals) rather than just storing it.

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5) The **Indian Yellow Tit** recently seen in news is?

a. Bird

b. Mountain goat

c. Reptile

d. Fish

Answer : a

Explanation

- **Option a is correct** – The **Indian Yellow Tit**, frequently appearing in recent news (including reports from February 2026 regarding sightings in Tirupati and Maharashtra), is a **Bird**.
- It is a small, crested passerine bird (often called the Indian Black-lored Tit or Machlolophus aplonotus), native to the Indian subcontinent.
- It is known for its bright yellow cheeks, underparts, and a distinct black crest and forehead.
- These birds are found in open tropical forests, specifically in the hills of the Western Ghats and peninsular India.

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