



Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 01-06- 2026

1) With reference to Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) in India, consider the following statements:

1. IMR is defined as the number of deaths of infants under one year per 1,000 live births in a year.
2. Telangana's IMR in 2024 was lower than the national average.
3. Rural IMR in India is higher than urban IMR.

Which of the above are correct?

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

Answer : d

Answer: d

Explanation: IMR definition (1) is correct. Telangana's IMR (17) was below India's average (24) in 2024 (2). Rural IMR nationally is 27 vs urban 17 (3).

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2) Aerosol pollution is significant for India's energy transition because it:

- a. Increases solar generation efficiency by scattering radiation.
- b. Reduces solar power generation capacity, with India losing nearly 10% in 2023.
- c. Has negligible impact compared to global averages.
- d. Is primarily natural in origin, with minimal anthropogenic contribution.

Answer : b

Answer: b

Explanation: Aerosols reduce sunlight reaching panels, cutting India's solar generation by 9.6% (15 TWh) in 2023. Loss is higher than global average (5.8%). Anthropogenic sources like fossil fuels, vehicles, biomass dominate.

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3) The Psyche Mission, recently in news, is unique because it:

- a. Is India's first mission to Mars.
- b. Explores a metal rich asteroid that may represent the core of an early planetesimal.
- c. Focuses exclusively on cometary studies in the Kuiper Belt.

d. Is a joint mission of NASA and ISRO.

Answer : b

Answer: b

Explanation: NASA's Psyche mission (launched 2023) targets asteroid 16 Psyche, believed to be iron-nickel rich and possibly an exposed planetary core, offering insights into rocky planet formation.

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4) Consider the following about the Nagaland Cascade Frog (*Amolops kamal*):

1. It inhabits fast-flowing hill-stream ecosystems.
2. It represents a distinct lineage within the *Amolops indoburmanensis* complex.
3. It is the first amphibian species recorded from Nagaland.

Which of the above are correct?

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

Answer : a

Answer: a



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Explanation: The frog is adapted to hill streams (1) and confirmed as a unique lineage within *Amolops indoburmanensis* (2). It is not the first amphibian from Nagaland — many species are known.

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5) Agoraphobia, often discussed in mental health, is characterized by:

- a. Fear of confined spaces like elevators and tunnels.
- b. Fear of situations where escape may be difficult or help unavailable, often linked to panic disorder.
- c. Exclusive prevalence among men in middle age.
- d. A disorder diagnosed only through genetic testing.

Answer : b

Answer: b

Explanation: Agoraphobia is an anxiety disorder involving fear of crowded/public spaces where escape/help may be difficult. Closely linked to panic disorder, more common in women, diagnosed clinically, not genetically.

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