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1) Imagine that you are posted as a Director in Union Health Ministry. A major multi-state agricultural cooperative seeks a subsidy to promote herbal cigarettes wrapped in Tendu leaves as an eco-friendly, "health-positive" replacement for the domestic tobacco industry.

Based strictly on the latest scientific evidence regarding oxidative potential and emissions, what should be your primary policy stance?

- Grant the subsidy, as the product is completely free of addictive nicotine and lowers overall public health risks.
- Review the subsidy request, because the combustion of Tendu leaves exhibits a higher oxidative potential, threatening to worsen public health outcomes.
- Approve a partial subsidy only for products utilizing clove and cinnamon, as kitchen spices do not produce toxic tar when burned.
- Defer regulation entirely to local village Panchayats, since Tendu is classified as a Non-Timber Forest Produce (NTFP).

Answer : b

Explanation



- An administrator's decision must map to scientific reality.
- Because the study found a 49% higher oxidative potential in Tendu-wrapped herbal cigarettes (indicating greater potential for tissue damage and inflammation) along with higher particle emissions, promoting them as "health-positive" is factually incorrect and dangerous to public health.
- so option (b) would be most appropriate.

2) The initiative "Niveshak Shivir" is related to which one of the following?

- Providing a dedicated portal for rural digital literacy and smartphone training.
- Assisting retail investors in reclaiming unclaimed dividends and shares while promoting financial literacy.
- Establishing multi-modal logistics parks to boost micro, small, and medium enterprises.
- Registering land titles transparently to resolve agricultural property disputes.

Answer : b

Explanation

- **Option b is correct - "Niveshak Shivir"** is a nationwide investor outreach initiative.
- It is organized jointly by the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA)—which operates under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs—and SEBI.
- It acts as a one-stop facilitation platform to assist investors in resolving issues related to unclaimed dividends and shares.

3) With reference to Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA), consider the following statements

1. It falls under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
2. It promotes awareness among investors and offer timely investment advice or evaluation based on volatility.

Select the correct statements using the codes given below:

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

Answer : a

Explanation

- **Statement 1 is correct** - IEPFA falls under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- It was entrusted with responsibility of administration of the Investor Education Protection Fund (IEPF).
- It also makes refunds of shares, unclaimed dividends, matured deposits/debentures etc. to investors.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect** - It promotes awareness among investors, and protecting the interests of the investors.
- It does not offer any investment advice or evaluation.

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4) Which one of the following is correct about Competition Commission of India (CCI)?

- a. It functions as a statutory body under the administrative control of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- b. It is a constitutional body established under the Ministry of Finance to regulate market monopolies.
- c. It functions as a statutory body under the administrative purview of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- d. It is an autonomous executive body working under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.

Answer : c

Explanation

- **Option c is correct** - The **Competition Commission of India** (CCI) is a statutory body functioning under the *Ministry of Corporate Affairs*.
- It was established under the Competition Act, 2002 (which replaced the old MRTP Act, 1969), the CCI is India's chief national competition regulator.
- Its main mandate is to prevent practices that have an appreciable adverse effect on market competition, protect consumer interests, and ensure freedom of trade across Indian markets.

5) Which one of the following is the nodal ministry for PM-SETU scheme?

- a. Ministry of MSME
- b. Ministry of Panchayat Raj
- c. Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- d. Ministry of Science and Technology

Answer : c

Explanation

- **Option c is correct** - **PM-SETU**(Pradhan Mantri Skilling and Employability Transformation through Upgraded ITIs) is a centrally sponsored initiative.
- It aims to modernize India's vocational training system and align it with global industry requirements.
- The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is acting as the nodal ministry for the scheme.
- It's objective is to transform 1,000 Government Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) into modern institutions.
- It was co-financed by World Bank and the Asian Development Bank.

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