



Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 01-08-2026

1) With reference to the recently introduced "**One Officer, One Official Car**" policy, consider the following statements:

1. An eligible officer may be allotted more than one official vehicle if he or she holds additional responsibilities in another department.
2. The revised guidelines have been issued by the Department of Expenditure under the Ministry of Finance.
3. Central government officers are generally prohibited from using vehicles belonging to public sector undertakings (PSUs) for non-official purposes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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



Answer : c

Explanation

- **Statement 1 is incorrect:** The new policy clearly states that an officer is **not entitled to more than one official vehicle**, even when holding additional responsibilities.
- **Statement 2 is correct:** The guidelines were issued by the **Department of Expenditure** under the **Ministry of Finance**.
- **Statement 3 is correct:** Officers are generally prohibited from using vehicles belonging to **PSUs, autonomous bodies, and quasi-government organizations**, except for authorised official duties.

2) The revision of the CPI base year mainly incorporates which of the following?

1. Updated consumption weights from the Household Consumption Expenditure Survey (HCES) 2023-24.
2. Expansion of market coverage.
3. Changes in the basket of goods and services.

Select the correct answer using the code below:

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

Answer : d

Explanation

- The CPI basket is periodically revised because consumption patterns change over time. The new series incorporates the following:
 - Updated household consumption patterns from **HCES 2023-24**.
 - Revised item weights.
 - Expanded market coverage.
 - Methodological improvements.

3) With reference to the **Prevention of Insults to National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026**, consider the following statements:

1. The Bill seeks to provide statutory protection to **Vande Mataram** similar to the national anthem.
2. The Bill amends the **Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971**.
3. Insults to Vande Mataram under the proposed law may attract imprisonment up to three years.

Which of the statements given above is correct?



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

Answer : d

Explanation

- The **Prevention of Insults to National Honour (Amendment) Bill, 2026** aims to extend legal protection to **Vande Mataram**.
- It proposes amendments to the **Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971**.
- Offences relating to insult may be punished with **imprisonment up to three years, fine, or both**.

4) With reference to **Ecological Compensation** in India, consider the following statements:

1. It is based on the principle that entities causing environmental damage should bear the cost of restoration.
2. Compensatory afforestation is one of the mechanisms through which ecological compensation is implemented.
3. Ecological compensation aims only at imposing financial penalties on polluting industries.

Which of the statements given 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

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 - Correct:**
Ecological compensation follows the **Polluter Pays Principle**, under which the person or organisation responsible for environmental damage must bear the cost of restoration.
- **Statement 2 - Correct:**
Compensatory Afforestation is an important form of ecological compensation. When forest land is diverted for non-forest purposes, funds are collected for afforestation and ecosystem restoration.
- **Statement 3 - Incorrect:**
Ecological compensation is not limited to penalties. It aims at:
 - Environmental restoration
 - Biodiversity conservation
 - Ecosystem recovery
 - Sustainable management of natural resources

5) Which of the following statements about the **e-Zero FIR adoption** is correct?

- a. Delhi has recorded the highest number of e-Zero FIR registrations among implementing States and UTs.
- b. The system is implemented uniformly across all Indian States and UTs.
- c. e-Zero FIR is applicable only for non-cognisable offences.
- d. It eliminates the requirement of investigation after FIR registration.

Answer : a

Explanation:

- Delhi recorded the highest adoption among the **18 States and Union Territories** implementing the system.
- Metropolitan regions show higher usage due to:
 - Greater digital penetration,
 - Higher awareness,
 - Technology-enabled policing systems.