



Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 19-09-2026

1) Kishau Multipurpose Project is associated with which one of the following pairs of States?

- a. Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand
- b. Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh
- c. Himachal Pradesh and Haryana
- d. Haryana and Rajasthan

Answer : a

Explanation:

- **Option a is correct:** The project is located on the Tons River along the inter-State boundary of Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand.
- The Kishau Multipurpose Project is a proposed water-resource and hydropower project on the Tons River, a major tributary of the Yamuna.
- It is being developed as a multipurpose project, with objectives including hydropower generation, water storage, irrigation and water supply.
- It is one of the important storage projects associated with the Yamuna river basin.

2) Consider the following entities:

- 1) Issuing Bank
- 2) Acquiring Bank
- 3) Payment Network
- 4) Payment Gateway/Payment Service Provider

Which of the above may have a role in the ecosystem through which a card or other digital payment transaction is processed?

- a. 1 and 2 only
- b. 2 and 3 only
- c. 1, 2 and 3 only
- d. 1, 2, 3 and 4

Answer : d

Explanation:

All four entities can play roles in the processing ecosystem of digital payments:

- **Issuing Bank - Correct:** The bank that issues the card or provides the customer's payment account.
- **Acquiring Bank - Correct:** The bank that enables a merchant to accept card/digital payments and facilitates settlement.
- **Payment Network - Correct:** Networks such as Visa, Mastercard, RuPay, and others facilitate the routing and processing of payment transactions.

- **Payment Gateway/Payment Service Provider - Correct:** These entities provide the technological infrastructure for initiating, transmitting and processing digital payment transactions.

3) Consider the following statements regarding Bepi Colombo:

1. It is a joint mission of ESA and JAXA.
2. It consists of two spacecraft developed by JAXA.
3. It is designed to study only Mercury's surface and does not investigate its magnetic field.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

Answer : a

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct:** BepiColombo is a joint mission of the European Space Agency (ESA) and the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) to study Mercury.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** The mission carries two scientific orbiters, but they were developed by different agencies:
 - Mercury Planetary Orbiter (MPO) — developed by ESA
 - Mercury Magnetospheric Orbiter (Mio) — developed by JAXA
- **Statement 3 is incorrect:** BepiColombo does not study only Mercury's surface. It also investigates Mercury's magnetic field, magnetosphere, interior and exosphere.

4) The recent deboning technology developed for milkfish is primarily intended to address which of the following challenges?

- a. High mercury concentration in milkfish
- b. Absence of scales in milkfish
- c. Presence of numerous fine intermuscular bones
- d. Low protein content of milkfish

Answer : c

Explanation:

- **Option c is correct:** Milkfish contains numerous fine intermuscular bones, which can make consumption difficult and reduce consumer acceptance. The new technology aims to remove these bones and facilitate ready-to-cook and value-added products.

5) With reference to Kosovo, consider the following countries:

1. Serbia
2. Albania
3. North Macedonia
4. Montenegro
5. Bosnia and Herzegovina

Which of the above share a land boundary with Kosovo?

- a. 1, 2 and 3 only
- b. 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
- c. 1, 3, 4 and 5 only

d. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

Answer : b

Explanation:

- **Option b is correct:** Kosovo is bordered by Serbia, Albania, North Macedonia and Montenegro. It does not share a border with Bosnia and Herzegovina.



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