



Prelims Practice Questions 25-01-2019

1) Consider the following statements with respect to Rashtriya Bal Puraskar awards

1. It has been given in two categories: Bal Kalyan Puraskar to individuals and Bal Shakti Puraskar to institutions working for children.
2. It has been introduced by the Ministry of women and child development.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : b

- The **Ministry of Women and Child Development**, Government of India has introduced a revamped award scheme under the name of "Pradhan Mantri National Children Awards" (**Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar**).
- These awards will be given in two main categories. The categories are as follows:
 1. **Bal Shakti Puraskar** to **individuals** (erstwhile known as National Child Award)
 2. **Bal Kalyan Puraskar** to **institutions/individuals** working for children. (erstwhile known as National Child Welfare Award).

2) Consider the following statements with respect to Long Range Surface-to-Air Missile (LRSAM)

1. It is an indigenous missile designed and developed by DRDO.
2. Having an operational range of 1500 km, it can destroy airborne threats like aircrafts, anti-ship missiles, UAVs and rockets launched simultaneously.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : d

- LRSAM has been **jointly developed by** Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), **India** and M/s **Israel** Aerospace Industries (IAI), Israel for the Indian Navy.
- The missile having an operational range of **75 km** can destroy airborne threats like jets, aircraft, anti-ship missiles, unmanned aerial vehicles and rockets including projectiles launched simultaneously.

3) Consider the following statements with respect to PSLV C-44 mission

1. It is the first flight with a new variant of PSLV called PSLV-DL with no strap-ons (boosters).

2. Microsat-R satellite, developed by the students was launched through this mission.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : d

- The PSLV-C44, was the first mission of a **new variant of the PSLV**, called the **PSLV-DL**, as it was equipped with **two strap-on** configurations.
- Usually, PSLVs were launched without any strap-ons (boosters) or were equipped with six strap-ons fixed around the rocket, but the ISRO, for the first time, used only two boosters for this mission.
- India successfully launched Microsat-R, an imaging satellite, meant for **military purposes** developed **by DRDO laboratories** using PSLV-C44.
- Contributed by **students** and the members of a Chennai-based organisation — Space Kidz India — **Kalamsat** is also launched using this mission.

4) “Global Multi-dimensional Poverty Index (MPI) 2018 Report” was recently released jointly by the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI) and _____

- a. World Bank
- b. Oxfam
- c. UNDP
- d. None of the above

Answer : c

5) “**My Vote Matters**” which was launched by the Election Commission of India recently, is a/an

- a. Online Information repository
- b. Door to Door campaign
- c. Magazine
- d. None of the above

Answer : c

- ECI has released ‘**My Vote Matters**’, a **Quarterly Magazine** on the occasion of National Voters Day 2019 celebration.

6) Consider the following statements with respect to National Voters’ Day (NVD)

1. It is celebrated all over the country on January 25 every year to mark the first election held in India after Independence.
2. It was celebrated since 2011 to encourage, facilitate and maximize the enrolment, especially for the new voters.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : b

- The National Voters’ Day (NVD) is celebrated all over the country on January 25 every year

since 2011 to mark the **Foundation day of Election Commission of India**, which was established on 25th January 1950.

- The main purpose of the NVD celebration is to encourage, facilitate and maximize the enrolment, especially for the new voters.
- In view of the upcoming Lok Sabha Elections, **“No Voter to be Left Behind”** has been selected as the theme for the National Voters’ Day, 2019.

7) Consider the following statements with respect to Zaid Season

1. It is a short season between the rabi and the kharif seasons.
2. Water melon, Musk melon and Cucumber are some of the Zaid crops.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : c

- In between the rabi and the kharif seasons, there is a short season during the summer months known as the Zaid season.
- Some of the crops produced during ‘zaid’ are watermelon, muskmelon, cucumber, vegetables and fodder crops.
- Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare has recently organized the national conference on agriculture for Zaid/ Summer campaign-2019.

8) Consider the following statements with respect to New Generation Anti-Radiation Missile (NGARM)

1. It is an indigenous surface-to-surface missile system.
2. It is capable of destroying enemy radars, tracking systems and communication facilities.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : b

- NGARM, having a strike range of over 100 km, is the **first air-to-surface missile completely designed and developed by DRDO**.
- It is the first indigenous air to surface missile to be developed by DRDO, after the supersonic Brahmos cruise missile developed jointly with Russia.
- The missile is capable of destroying enemy radars, tracking systems and communication facilities.
- The state-of-the-art high speed missile is **first-of-its-kind in the country's arsenal**.
- *Recently the DRDO claimed to have conducted the maiden test of new generation anti-radiation missile (NGARM) from a fighter aircraft off Odisha coast.*

9) “Kerch Strait” sometimes seen in the news recently, separates which of the following?

- a. Black Sea and the Sea of Marmara
- b. Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean Sea
- c. Sea of Azov and the Black Sea
- d. None of the above

Answer : d

- The Kerch Strait is a strait connecting the Black Sea and the Sea of Azov, ***separating the Kerch Peninsula of Crimea from the Taman Peninsula of Russia.***

10) Consider the following statements with respect to World Economic Forum (WEF)

1. It is an International Organization for Public-Private Cooperation.
2. Its headquarters is located in Geneva, Switzerland.
3. Global gender gap report and Global competitiveness report are published by the WEF.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : d



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