



Prelims Practice Questions 18-03-2019

1) Consider the following statements with respect to TROPEX-19

1. It is an annual joint naval exercise among the tropical countries.
2. All the three services of Indian defence forces participated in the event.

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

- Theatre Level Operational Readiness Exercise (TROPEX 19) is the **largest War Game of the Indian Navy**.
- The exercise had commenced on 07 January 2019.
- Earlier, TROPEX 19 had commenced with **Tri-services Amphibious Exercise** in the **Andaman & Nicobar Islands** with participation of **Indian Army and Indian Air Force**.
- This was followed by the largest Coastal Defence Exercise code named **SEA VIGIL** on 22 January and 23 January 2019 with participation of all 13 Coastal States and Union Territories along with all maritime stakeholders.

2) Consider the following statements with respect to International Criminal Court (ICC)

1. It was established through the Rome Statute.
2. Its headquarters is located in The Hague, Netherlands.
3. India is a party to the ICC.

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

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

Answer : c

- It was created by the **'Rome Statute'**.
- The Rome Statute is multilateral treaty which serves as ICC's foundational and governing document.
- India is not a signatory to the Statute.
- USA and China is also non-signatory of the statute.
- Its headquarters is located in **The Hague, Netherlands**.

3) Who among the following will come under the purview of the Lokpal?

1. Prime Minister

2. Member of Parliament
3. Armed Forces
4. Central Government officials

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

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

Answer : b

- All Public servants and all entities receiving donations from foreign sources in excess of Rs. 10 Lakh per year come under the purview of the Lokpal.
- But the **Armed forces do not come under its ambit.**
- All public Servants include:

1. **Prime Minister**
2. Ministers
3. **Member of Parliament**
4. Groups A, B, C and D officers and
5. Central Government officials

- However, the Lokpal shall not inquire into any allegation of corruption against a former or current PM if they are related to International relations, external and internal security, Public order, atomic energy and space.

4) *Twin pit system* sometimes seen in the news recently, is associated with which of the following schemes?

- a. Bharatmala Pariyojana
- b. Swachh Bharat Mission
- c. Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana
- d. Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana

Answer : b

- Twin pit systems are a type of toilet system.
- Under the twin-pit latrine system, two pits are dug with honeycombed walls and earthen floors which allow liquid to percolate into the surrounding soil. When one pit is filled and closed off, waste flow is transferred to the second pit, allowing waste in the first pit to be converted into manure after a year or two.
- The twin pit has been promoted by the **Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation** and the **World Health Organisation** as an **in-situ sanitation system**, which claims to bypass thorny issues as owners will be dealing with manure, not excreta.

5) *Project Stream* sometimes seen in the news recently is a cloud gaming project of which of the following?

- a. Apple
- b. Google
- c. Facebook
- d. Microsoft

Answer : b

- **Project Stream** is **Google's** first attempt at streaming video games over the internet using **cloud gaming** technology through its Chrome browser.

- Rather than needing high-end hardware, Project Stream allows you to use whatever computer you have around to play video games.

6) Consider the following statements with respect to *Lokpal*

1. It will consist of a Chairperson and a maximum of eight members, of whom 50 percent shall be judicial members.
2. Further, not less than 50 percent of the lokpal's members shall be from amongst SC/ST/OBCs, minorities and women.

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

- The Lokpal shall consist of

1. A Chairperson, who is or has been a Chief Justice of India or is or has been a Judge of the Supreme Court or an eminent person.
2. Such number of Members, **not exceeding eight** out of whom **fifty per cent** shall be **Judicial Members**: Provided that not less than **fifty per cent** of the Members of the Lokpal shall be from amongst the persons belonging to the **Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes, Minorities and women**.

7) The Union Cabinet has recently approved a new hydroelectricity policy. Consider the following statements in this regard:

1. Under the policy, only small hydro projects of a capacity of less than 25 MW were treated as renewable energy.
2. Large hydro projects were removed from the ambit of renewable energy and treated as a separate source of energy.

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 Union Cabinet has recently approved a new hydroelectricity policy that, among other things, **included large hydro projects within the ambit of renewable energy**.
- Prior to the policy, only small hydro projects of a capacity of less than 25 MW were treated as renewable energy. Large hydro projects were treated as a separate source of energy.

8) Which of the following is associated with *Project 75* of Indian Navy?

1. Arihant
2. Karanj
3. Kohassa
4. Vagsheer
5. Kadamba

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- a. 2 and 4 only

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

Answer : a

- Project 75 of Indian Navy envisages the construction of six conventional submarines with better sensors and weapons and the Air Independent Propulsion System (AIP).

1. Kalvari
2. Khanderi
3. Karanj
4. Vela
5. Vagir
6. Vagsheer

9) Consider the following pairs

1. Idai Cyclone - Philipines
2. Papua Province - Indonesia

Which of the pair(s) given above is/are correctly matched?

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

Answer : b

- **Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi** has been hit by a vicious cyclone "**Idai**" recently.
- At least 73 people have died and more than 60 are missing in flash floods that happened recently in Indonesia's eastern province of **Papua**.

10) Consider the following statements with respect to *Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram*

1. The scheme entitles all pregnant women delivering in public health institutions to an absolutely free and no expense delivery including C- section.
2. A pregnant woman is also entitled to free transport from home to the government health facility.

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

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

Answer : d

- Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram entitles all pregnant women delivering in public health institutions to an absolutely free and no expense delivery including C- section.
- All expenses are borne by the government.
- A pregnant woman is also entitled to free transport from home to the government health facility.
- Entitlements include free drugs and consumables, free diagnostic, free blood, free diet up to 3 days for normal delivery and 7 days for C-section.
- Similar entitlements have been put in place for all sick newborns accessing public health institutions for healthcare till 30 days after birth.
- This initiative will also help in reducing maternal and infant mortality and morbidity.