



### **Prelims Practice Questions 05-09-2019**

1) This year *Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2019* focuses on five critical components called 'Paanch Sutras'. Which of the following is *not* among them?

1. First 1000 days of the Child
2. Malaria
3. Diarrhoea
4. Hand Wash & Sanitation
5. Pneumonia

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- a. 1 and 3 only
- b. 2 and 5 only
- c. 2, 4 and 5 only
- d. None

Answer : b

- The entire month of September 2019 will be celebrated as the ***Rashtriya Poshan Maah***.
- This year the theme is ***Complementary Feeding***.
- This year Poshan Maah focuses on five critical components called '***Paanch Sutras***'.

1. First 1000 days of the Child
2. Anaemia
3. Diarrhoea
4. Hand Wash & Sanitation
5. Poshtik Aahar (wholesome meal with diet diversity)

2) Consider the following statements with respect to *Exercise Yudh Abhyas*

1. It is a joint military training exercise between India and United States of America (USA).
2. It will be hosted alternately between the two countries every year.
3. 15th edition of Yudh Abhyas is being conducted at Indian Military Academy, Dehradun.

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

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

Answer : b

- As part of the ongoing Indo-US defence cooperation, a ***joint military training***, Exercise Yudh Abhyas - 2019 is being conducted at ***Joint Base Lewis Mc Chord, Washington, USA*** from 05-18 September 2019.
- Exercise Yudh Abhyas is one of the largest joint running military training and defence

corporation endeavours between India and USA.

- This will be the **15th edition** of the joint exercise hosted **alternately** between the two countries.

3) With respect to *Terracotta Grinder* sometimes seen in the news recently, consider the following statements

1. It is the first ever made dynamic equipment that is fully made up of terracotta.
2. It was launched by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : b

- **Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)** launched a **first ever 'Terracotta Grinder'** at Sewapuri in Varanasi.
- This machine **will grind the wasted and broken pottery items** for re-using in pottery-making.
- This Terracotta grinder will make grinding of wasted pottery items faster than the traditional mortar and pestle.



4) Consider the following statements with respect to *Indo-Russian Innovation Bridge*

1. It is a skywalk bridge built in Ufa, Russia at the confluence of the Belaya and Ufa Rivers.
2. It was built in partnership with New Development Bank (NDB).

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

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has recently launched **Indo-Russian Innovation Bridge** which is an **online platform to promote joint innovations**.
- The facility is meant to bridge the gap between Indian and Russian startup ecosystems.

5) Consider the following statements with respect to *New Development Bank (NDB)*

1. The mandate of the NDB is to mobilize resources for infrastructure and sustainable development projects for BRICS countries only.
2. The Bank is headquartered in Shanghai, China.
3. India is one of the founding members, holding 20% stake in the Bank.

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

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

Answer : c

- The NDB is **the first Multilateral Development Bank** established by developing countries and emerging economies — Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa.
- The mandate of the Bank is to mobilize resources for infrastructure and sustainable development projects in **BRICS and other emerging economies and developing countries**, complementing the existing efforts of multilateral and regional financial institutions for global growth and development.
- **India** is one of the **founding members**, holding 20% stake in the Bank.
- The Bank is headquartered in **Shanghai, China**.

6) Consider the following statements with respect to *Project REPLAN*

1. It aims to remove the existing waste plastic material from nature and use it in a semi-permanent manner.
2. It was launched by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change.

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 : a

- Project REPLAN was launched by the **Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)**.
- In this project, the waste plastic is collected, cleaned, chopped, beaten and treated for softness.
- After that, it is mixed with the paper raw material i.e. cotton rags pulp in a ratio of 80 % (pulp) and 20% (plastic waste).
- REPLAN aims to **remove the existing waste plastic** material from nature and **use it in a semi-permanent manner**, so that availability of plastic in nature is reduced to a large extent.

7) Match the following with respect to *IMD colour code warnings*

1. Green - a. No warning
2. Yellow - b. Watch
3. Orange - c. Alert
4. Red - d. Warning

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- a. 1-d; 2-c; 3-b; 4-a
- b. 1-a; 2-c; 3-b; 4-d
- c. 1-b; 2-a; 3-c; 4-d
- d. 1-a; 2-b; 3-c; 4-d

Answer : d



8) With respect to *Dadabhai Naoroji*, consider the following statements

1. He was closely involved with the Indian National Congress in its early phase, and served as the first Indian member of the British parliament.
2. He was among the key proponents of the 'Drain Theory', disseminating it in his 1901 book 'Words of Freedom'.

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 : a

- Dadabhai Naoroji was often the "**Grand Old Man of India**".
- He was closely involved with the Indian National Congress in its early phase, and served as the **first Indian member of the British parliament**.
- He was Congress president thrice, in 1886, 1893, and 1906.
- He was among the key proponents of the 'Drain Theory', disseminating it in his 1901 book '**Poverty and Un-British Rule in India**'.

9) *Travel and Tourism Competitiveness Index* was released by which of the following?

- a. UNESCO
- b. World Economic Forum
- c. UN World Tourism Organisation
- d. World Travel and Tourism Council

Answer : b

- India jumps six ranks to 34 on the world travel and tourism competitiveness index 2019 released by the **World Economic Forum (WEF)**.

10) *Global Liveability Ranking 2019 Report* was recently released by which of the following?

- a. UN Environment
- b. World Economic Forum
- c. UN Development Programme
- d. Economist Intelligence Unit

Answer : d

- One of Pakistan's cities — Karachi — has been ranked among one of the least liveable cities on the earth.
- On the other hand, national capital Delhi does not even feature in the top 100 cities to live in, according to a recent report by the **Economist Intelligence Unit** titled **Global Liveability Ranking 2019**.
- Karachi got 136th spot out of 140 cities across the world whereas Delhi was on 118th position, slipping six spots from its previous ranking. Syrian city Damascus scored the lowest on the list and was at 140th position.