

## CURRENT MCQs- 4<sup>th</sup> May

1. Consider the following statements regarding qualification to contest in Lok Sabha Elections:

- 1) The minimum age for becoming a candidate for Lok Sabha election shall be 30 years.
- 2) For contesting an election as a candidate, a person must be registered as a voter.
- 3) A candidate can contest election from any part of India, irrespective of their place of belonging.

Choose the correct statement/s from the codes below:

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

**Answer - (b)**

The minimum age for becoming a candidate for Lok Sabha election shall be 25 years. Hence, option 1 is incorrect.

According to Representation People Act,1951 If candidate is a registered Voter, he/she can contest an election to Lok Sabha from any constituency in the country except Assam, Lakshadweep and Sikkim (they need to be necessarily belonging to SC/ST in these states/UT). Hence option 3 is incorrect.

2. Which of the following statement/s is/are the correct explanation for cyclones to be more active in Eastern coast compared to western coast in India?

- 1) More cyclones are formed in the Bay of Bengal than Arabian Sea due to wind patterns
- 2) If cyclone is formed on western coast, it moves towards Oman instead of hitting India.
- 3) Relatively Flatter topography of the eastern side compared to western coast is unable to deflect the winds.

Choose the correct statement/s from the codes below:

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

**Answer- d)**

All the statements are correct. Self-explanatory.

3. Which of the following statement is/are incorrect regarding Mulshi Dam?

- 1) It is located on Mula River.
- 2) Water from the dam is used for irrigation as well as for producing electricity at the Bhira hydroelectric power plant.

Choose the correct answer using the codes below:

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

**Answer- d**

Mulshi Dam is a major dam on **the Mula river** in India. It is located in the Mulshi taluka administrative division of the Pune district of Maharashtra State. Water from the dam is used for irrigation as well as for producing electricity at the Bhira hydroelectric power plant, operated by Tata Power.

4. Consider the correct statement regarding Odissi:

- a) This dance form can be traced back to a dance style called Odhra Magadha.
- b) The tribhanga is an extremely feminine posture during the performance.
- c) Both 1 and 2 are correct
- d) Both 1 and 2 are wrong

**Answer- c**

Odissi is a classical dance form originates from the state of Odisha. Odissi can be traced back to a dance style called the Odhra Magadha. This is mentioned as the southeastern style of classical dance. In the Dance form, there are two essential stances-Chowk and the Tribhanga. The chowk is a position emulating a square – an exceptionally manly position with the heaviness of the body similarly adjusted. The tribhanga is an extremely feminine position where the body is diverted at the neck, middle and the knees.

5. Consider the following statements regarding The National Commission for Scheduled Castes (SCs):

- 1) The separate National Commission for SCs came into existence after 80<sup>th</sup> constitutional amendment act.
- 2) The members of this commission are appointed by the President.

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

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

**Answer- b) 2 only**

The 89th Constitutional Amendment Act of 2003 bifurcated the combined National Commission for SCs and STs into two separate bodies, namely, National Commission for Scheduled Castes (under Article 338) and National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (under Article 338-A).

The separate National Commission for SCs came into existence in 2004. It consists of a chairperson, a vice-chairperson and three other members. They are appointed by the President by warrant under his hand and seal, conditions of service and tenure of office are also determined by the President.

6. Microbots –the robots that are the size of a speck of dust, being developed are sometimes seen in news.

Consider the following statements regarding Microbots:

- 1) These are powered by shining lasers on tiny solar panels on their back.
- 2) Thousands of them can fit side-by-side on a single silicon wafer similar to computer chips.
- 3) They run on a very low power consumption only 10 billionths of a watt.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 2 & 3 only
- d) 1,2 & 3

**Answer- d**

All the statements are correct. Thousands fit side-by-side on a single silicon wafer similar to those used for computer chips. They can pull themselves free and start crawling. The new robots take advantage of the same basic technology as computer chips. They are powered by shining lasers on tiny solar panels on their back. They run on a very low power consumption only 10 billionths of a watt.

7. Recently, 25 US lawmakers urge Trump administration, not to cancel GSP trade benefits to India. Consider the following statements regarding Generalized System of Preference (GSP):

- 1) It is the US trade preference Programme which allow duty-free exports of thousands of products from US to developing countries.
- 2) This rule does not come under purview of WTO.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both of the above
- d) None of the above

**Answer- (c)**

The Generalized System of Preference (GSP) is the largest and oldest US trade preference Programme and is designed to promote economic development by allowing duty-free entry for thousands of products from designated beneficiary countries. It comes under the purview of WTO.

8. Consider the following statements regarding Prepaid Payment Instruments (PPIs):

- 1) PPIs are instruments that facilitate purchase of goods and services
- 2) To operate a PPI, it is necessary for the company to be registered under Companies Act, 1956/ Companies act, 2013.
- 3) PPIs are exempted of getting authorization from RBI in order to promote Cashless Economy.

Choose the correct statements from the codes below:

- a) 2 only
- b) 1 & 2 only
- c) 1,2 and 3
- d) None of the Above

**Answer- (b)**

PPIs are instruments that facilitate purchase of goods and services, including financial services, remittance facilities, etc., against the value stored on such instruments. A company incorporated in India and registered under the Companies Act, 1956 / Companies Act, 2013 can issue and operate PPIs after receiving authorization from RBI. Hence, only 1 and 2 are correct.

9. Spike-LR Anti-Tank Missiles was recently seen in News, consider the following statements regarding this:

1. These missiles are being produced and sold by Russia to India.
2. It has a range of 4 Km only which can be operated in fire-and-forget mode
3. It can also be used to hit targets low flying slow targets like helicopter.

Which of the above statements is/are wrong?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 3 only
- d) None of them

**Answer- a) 1 only**

Spike-LR Anti-Tank Missiles are being procured from Israel.

Spike-LR is a portable anti-armour weapon system with a range of up to 4km, which can be operated in fire-and-forget mode and in fire, observe and update mode using the fibre-optic data link. It can be used to engage tanks, armoured vehicles, hardened shelters and low flying slow targets such as helicopters.

10. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Hindon River?

- 1) Hindon River is a tributary of Yamuna river
- 2) It originates from Upper Shivalik in Lower Himalayan Range.
- 3) The river is Entirely rainfed

Choose correct answer from the codes given below:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only

d) All of them

**Answer: d) All of them**

Self-explanatory

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