



### **Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 24-07-2021 - (Online Prelims Test)**

1) Consider the following statements with respect to *Yarn Supply Scheme (YSS)*

1. It aims to make available all type of yarns at mill gate price to the handloom weavers.
2. It is being implemented by the National Handloom Development Corporation throughout the country.
3. It increases weavers' net income through transport subsidies and reduced cost of good quality raw material.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

Answer : d

#### ***Yarn Supply Scheme (YSS)***

- It is being implemented throughout the country through National Handloom Development Corporation, Ministry of Textiles.
- It aims to make available all types of yarn at Mill Gate Price.
- Under the Scheme, freight charges are reimbursed for all types of yarn and component of 10% price subsidy also exists on hank yarn, which is available for cotton, domestic silk, wool and linen yarn with quantity caps.
- It reduces cost of good quality raw material and transport subsidies have helped the weavers to a large extent to sell their product at a competitive price and hence increase and regularise their net income.

2) With respect to *Kinnaram*, consider the following statements:

1. It is a traditional single string instrument made from a type of Bottle Gourd.
2. It is an instrument used by folk singers of Tamil Nadu.

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

#### ***Kinnaram***

- It is a single string music instrument.
- It is one among the few folk art forms in Tamil Nadu in its last stages.
- The Kinnaram is made from a type of *surakkai* (Bottle Gourd/calabash).

3) Consider the following statements with respect to *Global Survey on Digital and Sustainable Trade Facilitation*

1. It is an annual survey conducted by the United Nation's Economic and Social Commission for Asia Pacific (UNESCAP).
2. India's score for the year 2021 has found to be greater than many OECD countries including France, UK, Norway and Finland.

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

- Global Survey on Digital and Sustainable Trade Facilitation
- It a survey conducted every two years by United Nation's Economic and Social Commission for Asia Pacific (UNESCAP).
- India has scored 90.32% in the latest Survey for the year 2021.
- The Survey hails this as a remarkable jump from 78.49% in 2019.
- After evaluation of 143 economies, the 2021 Survey has highlighted India's significant improvement in the scores on all 5 key indicators, as follows:

1. Transparency: 100% in 2021 (from 93.33% in 2019)
2. Formalities: 95.83% in 2021 (from 87.5% in 2019)
3. Institutional Arrangement and Cooperation: 88.89% in 2021 (from 66.67% in 2019)
4. Paperless Trade: 96.3% in 2021 (from 81.48% in 2019)
5. Cross-Border Paperless Trade: 66.67% in 2021 (from 55.6% in 2019)

- The Survey notes that India is the best performing country when compared to South and South West Asia region (63.12%) and Asia Pacific region (65.85%).
- The overall score of India has also been found to be greater than many OECD countries including France, UK, Canada, Norway, Finland etc. and the overall score is greater than the average score of EU.
- India has achieved a 100% score for the Transparency index and 66% in the "Women in trade" component.

4) The Kanal Project was recently launched by the Kerala's Department of Women and Child Development. Its main objective is?

- a. To end all domestic and dowry abuse against women
- b. To act against substance abuse prevalent among Children
- c. To replace non-renewable energy production with solar power generation
- d. None of the above

Answer : a

- Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan has recently inaugurated 'Kanal' project.
- It is an initiative of Kerala's Department of Women and Child Development.
- The project has been formulated with an aim to end all domestic and dowry abuse, to empower women and to create awareness among the entire population.
- As part of the launching of 'Kanal', Integrated Child Development Services supervisors and

anganwadi workers have been provided training.

- Awareness campaigns are being organised in colleges.
- Over a lakh awareness posters will be displayed in various parts of the State.

5) Consider the following statements:

1. He is known as the Father of Swarajya and made Swaraj as a part of the independence movement.
2. He was called the 'Father of Indian Unrest' and authored the book "Gita Rahasya".
3. He organised Deccan Education Society along with Gopal Ganesh Agarkar and Mahadev Ballal Namjoshi.

Identify the correct personality using the description given above:

- a. Rash Behari Ghosh
- b. Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- c. Lala Har Dayal Singh
- d. Vishnushastri Chiplunkar

Answer : b

### ***Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar (23 July 1856)***

- Bal Gangadhar Tilak or Lokmanya Tilak was an Indian nationalist, social reformer and lawyer.
- The Britishers called him, 'The Father of the Indian unrest'.
- He was given the honorary title of 'Lokmanya', which means admired (or accepted) by the people.
- He is known as the 'Father of Swarajya' and made 'Swaraj' as a part of the independence movement and he was the strongest advocates of 'Swaraj' (self-rule).
- He started the Swadeshi movement.
- He joined the Indian National Congress (INC) in the year 1890.
- He started two Newspaper, 'Kesari' in Marathi and 'Mahratta' in English (referred as 'Maratha').
- He had a political regime with Bipin Chandra Pal and Lala Lajpat Rai and they were referred as 'Lal-Bal-Pal triumvirate'.
- He organised 'Deccan Education Society' along with Gopal Ganesh Agarkar, Mahadev Ballal Namjoshi and Vishnushastri Chiplunkar.
- It was set up to teach young Indians, the nationalist ideas through an emphasis on Indian culture.
- He founded the 'All India Home Rule League' in 1916 along with Joseph Baptista, Annie Besant and Muhammad Ali Jinnah.
- He transformed the household worshipping of Ganesha into a grand public event 'Sarvajanik Ganeshotsav' in 1894.
- Today, 'Ganesh Chaturthi', started by Tilak, is considered as the prime festival in Maharashtra and adjacent states.
- Tilak was the pioneer for the celebration of "Shiv Jayanti", the birth anniversary of Chhatrapati Shivaji.
- In 2007, the Government of India released a coin to commemorate Tilak on his 150th birth anniversary.
- Gita Rahasya and the Arctic Home of the Vedas were the books written by Tilak.