Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 21-12-2021 - (Online Prelims Test)

1) Consider the following statements regarding the Kalam Program for Intellectual Property Literacy and Awareness (KAPILA) Campaign:

1. It was launched by Ministry of Science and Technology.
2. One of the objectives of the campaign is to enable IP protection of inventions originating from faculty and students from schools.

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

a. 1 only

b. 2 only

c. Both 1 and 2

d. Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : d

Kalam Program for Intellectual Property Literacy and Awareness (KAPILA) Campaign

- It was launched by the Ministry of Education.
- The objectives of the scheme include
  - Creating awareness regarding Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) in Higher Education Institutions (HEIs).
  - Enabling of IP protection of inventions originating from faculty and students of HEIs.
  - Development of Credit Course on IPR.
  - Training program on IPR for faculty and students of HEIs and sensitization.
  - Development of vibrant IP filing system.
- Under the initiative, activities like IP Clinic, Case Studies/ Articles regarding Innovation and Intellectual Property and online awareness programs and National Intellectual Property Literacy Week (NIPLW) have been conducted.

2) Consider the following statements regarding Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan:

1. It is implemented by the Ministry of Education.
2. The funding is 100% centrally sponsored for Union Territories without Legislature.
3. It subsumes the three schemes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, Rashtriya Madhyamil Shiksha Abhiyan and Teacher Education.

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

a. 2 only

b. 1 and 3 only

c. 2 and 3 only

d. 3 only

Answer : c

Samagara Shiksha Abhiyan

- It is implemented by the Ministry of Human Resource Development.
- Samagra Shiksha is an integrated scheme for school education extending from pre-school to class XII to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education at all levels of school education.
- It subsumes the three Schemes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE).
- The scheme treats school education holistically as a continuum from Pre-school to Class 12.
- The main emphasis of the Scheme is on improving the quality of school education by focusing on the two T's – Teacher and Technology.

Vision

- The vision of the Scheme is to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education from pre-school to senior secondary stage in accordance with the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) for Education.
- SDG-4.1: Aims to ensure that all boys and girls complete free, equitable and quality primary and secondary education leading to relevant and effective learning outcomes.
- SDG 4.5: Aims to eliminate gender disparities in education and ensure equal access to all levels of education.

Funding

- The Scheme is being implemented as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme.
- The fund sharing pattern for the scheme between Centre and States is at present in the ratio of 90:10 for the North-Eastern States and the Himalayan States and 60:40 for all other States and Union Territories with Legislature.
- It is 100% centrally sponsored for Union Territories without Legislature.

3) Consider the following statements regarding Atal Bhujal Yojana:

1. It is a World Bank-funded, central sector scheme that aims at improving groundwater management.
2. The scheme is being implemented only in seven states of India.
3. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change is the nodal implementing agency of the scheme.

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

a. 1 and 2 only

b. 1 and 3 only

c. 2 and 3 only

d. 1, 2 and 3

Answer : a

Atal Bhujal Yojana

- Atal Bhujal Yojana (ABHY) aimed at sustainable ground water management with community participation in select over-exploited and ground water stressed areas in seven States
  - Gujarat

- Haryana
- Karnataka
- Madhya Pradesh
- Maharashtra
- Rajasthan
- Uttar Pradesh

- ABHY is designed as a Central Sector Scheme with a total outlay of Rs. 6,000 Crore and is proposed to be implemented with World Bank assistance.
- The funding pattern is 50:50 between Government of India and World Bank.
- It is implemented by Ministry of Jal Shakti.

4) Consider the following statements regarding Nai Roshni and Nai Manzil Schemes:

1. The schemes are implemented by the Ministry of Women and Child Development.
2. The Nai Roshni Scheme aims to empower and enhance confidence in women belonging to Sikh, Buddhist, Jain, Muslim, Christians and Parsi community only.
3. The Nai Manzil Scheme aims to benefit only women of 17-35 years of age from the six notified minority communities.

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

a. 1 and 2 only

b. 2 and 3 only

c. 1 and 3 only

d. 1, 2 and 3

Answer : c

Nai Roshni Scheme

- The scheme aims to empower and enhance confidence in women by providing knowledge, tool and techniques for Leadership Development of Women belonging to six notified minority communities i.e., Sikh, Buddhist, Jain, Muslim, Christian and Parsi.
- It is a training programme conducted for women belonging to minority community between the age group of 18 years to 65 years.
- Covering areas related to Programmes for women, Health and Hygiene, Legal rights of women, Financial Literacy, Digital Literacy, Swachch Bharat, Life Skills, and Advocacy for Social and Behavioural change.
- It is implemented by the Ministry of Minority Affairs.

Nai Manzil Scheme

- The Scheme "Nai Manzil" aims to benefit the youth (both men & women) belonging to six notified minority communities of 17-35 years of age, who do not have formal school leaving certificate, i.e., those in the category of school –dropouts or educated in community education institutions like Madrasas.
- 30% of the beneficiary seats are earmarked for girl/women candidates and 5% of the beneficiary seats for persons with disability belonging to the minority community under the scheme.
- The scheme provides a combination of formal education (Class VIII or X) and skills to enable beneficiaries seek better employment and livelihood.
- The Scheme is implemented through selected Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs) which are empanelled through an open transparent process by inviting Expression of Interest (EOIs) for organizations.

) Consider the following statements:

1. Under Article 82 of the Constitution, Parliament enacts Delimitation Act which establishes a delimitation commission every census.
2. The task of the commission is to redraw the boundaries of various assembly, lok sabha and rajya sabha constituencies based on equitable population distribution.
3. The orders of delimitation commission cannot be challenged before any court

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

    a. 1 and 3 only

    b. 2 only

    c. 3 only

    d. 1, 2 and 3

Answer : a

Delimitation Panel headed by Justice Prakash Desai proposed 6 additional Assembly seats for Jammu, 1 for Kashmir.

Delimitation Commission

- Delimitation literally means the act of fixing the boundaries of constituencies.
- Under Article 82 of the Constitution, Parliament enacts a Delimitation Act after every Census which establishes a delimitation commission.
- The main task of the commission is redrawing the boundaries of the various assembly and Lok Sabha constituencies to ensure an equitable population distribution.
- Delimitation commissions have been set up four times in the past under 'Delimitation Commission Acts' of 1952, 1962, 1972 and 2002.
- The constitution was amended to freeze the delimitation till 2026.
- These bodies are so powerful that its orders have the force of law and they cannot be challenged before any court.

Composition

- According to the Delimitation Commission Act, 2002, the Delimitation Commission will have three members:
    - A serving or retired judge of the Supreme Court as the chairperson
    - The Chief Election Commissioner or Election Commissioner nominated by the CEC
    - The State Election Commissioner as ex-officio members.