



Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz 12-09-2022 (Online Prelims Test)

1) Consider the following statements with respect to Child adoption in India:

1. The procedure for child adoption in India is governed by the Hindu Adoption and Maintenance Act, 1956 (HAMA) and the Juvenile Justice Act, 2015.
2. The power to issue orders regarding adoption of children in the country lies with the High courts.

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 : a

Adoption of Children

- District Magistrates (DM) have been empowered to give adoption orders instead of courts.
- The Parliament passed the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Amendment Bill, 2021 in order to amend the Juvenile Justice Act (JJ Act), 2015.
- The key changes include authorizing District Magistrates and Additional District Magistrates to issue adoption orders under Section 61 of the JJ Act by striking out the word "court".
- This was done "in order to ensure speedy disposal of cases and enhance accountability," according to a government statement.
- The District Magistrates have also been empowered under the Act to inspect child care institutions as well as evaluate the functioning of district child protection units, child welfare committees, juvenile justice boards, specialised juvenile police units, child care institutions etc.
- The Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) says there are nearly 1,000 adoption cases pending before various courts in the country.
- Adoptions in India are governed by two laws the Hindu Adoption and Maintenance Act, 1956 (HAMA) and the Juvenile Justice Act, 2015.
- Both laws have their separate eligibility criteria for adoptive parents.

2) A committee was recently constituted under the Chairmanship of Suresh Prabhu. Which of the following is the objective of the committee?

- a. To draft national cooperative policy document
- b. To strengthen the Capital Goods sector
- c. To review the guidelines on television rating agencies
- d. To facilitate digital payments through reforming the prevalent QR Code system in India

Answer : a

Suresh Prabhu Committee

- The National Level Committee was recently constituted under the Chairmanship of former Union Cabinet Minister, Shri Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu.
- The committee was mandated to draft a national cooperative policy document.
- The existing National Policy on Cooperatives, was formulated in 2002 with the objectives of facilitating all round development of cooperatives.

3) Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to E-cigarettes in India?

1. E-cigarette is an electric device that produces an aerosol made by heating a liquid, usually containing nicotine.
2. In 2019, India banned the production, import, export, sale of all ENDS products.

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 : c

Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems

- E-cigarettes, e-hookahs, e-pipes, vapes and vape pens are some examples of electronic nicotine delivery system (ENDS) products.
- They are electric devices that produce an aerosol made by heating a liquid, usually containing nicotine, flavourings and other chemicals.
- While ENDS were originally marketed to help smokers quit the habit or as a safer alternative to cigarettes they have become very popular among young people, often attracting non-smokers as well.
- The US Centre for Disease Control claims that while e-cigarettes have the potential to help adult smokers if used as a complete substitute for regular cigarettes, they can still cause harm.
- In September 2019 the Indian government banned the production, manufacture, import, export, transport, sale, distribution, storage and advertisement of all ENDS. As per the law, Juul and all other e-cigarettes are currently banned in India.
- The government claimed that the ban would help “protect the population”, especially the youth and children, from the risk of addiction through e-cigarettes.
- A report by Prescient and Strategic Intelligence in July 2019, months before ENDS were banned in India, showed a thriving e-cigarette market in the country.
- So, despite a formal ban, e-cigarettes and vapes are available at cigarette shops and various online marketplaces.

4) Consider the following statements about Enhancing Climate Resilience of India's Coastal Communities:

1. It is being implemented by the Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change with support from United Nations Environment Programme.
2. It is a 6-year project from 2019-2024 that will enhance the climate resilience of the most vulnerable populations, particularly women, in the coastal areas of India.

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 : c

Enhancing Climate Resilience of India's Coastal Communities' (2019-2024)

- It is implemented by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India with support UNDP.
- The 6-year project 'Enhancing Climate Resilience of India's Coastal Communities' (2019-2024).
- The project will shift the paradigm towards a new approach integrating ecosystem-centred and community-based approaches to adaptation into coastal management.
- The project will invest in ecological infrastructure to buffer against climate-induced hazards, especially storm surges, supporting climate-resilient coastal livelihoods.
- The project will contribute towards the achievement of climate priorities outlined in India's National Action Plan on Climate Change (2008), the State Action Plans, as well as commitments outlined in India's Nationally Determined Contribution (2015).

5) Consider the following statements about EU-India green hydrogen forum:

1. It was jointly organized by the Ministry of Power with the NITI Aayog.
2. It provides a platform for the exchange of best practices, policy frameworks for renewable hydrogen.

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

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

Answer : a

EU-India green hydrogen forum

- The recent event was organized jointly by the Delegation of the European Union and the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, in cooperation with the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and Hydrogen Europe.
- The event brought together EU-India businesses to discuss possible joint projects on green hydrogen.
- The Forum provides a platform for the exchange of best practices, policy frameworks and production and application technologies for renewable hydrogen as well as opportunities for EU-India cooperation in this area.
- The forum also looks into the potential for international hydrogen trade, the role of international standards, including sustainable transportation.
- It also provides for the legal requirements for the certification of renewable hydrogen and research and innovation.
- Also India has a favourable geographic location and abundance of sunlight and wind for the production of green hydrogen.
- India has already announced its National Hydrogen Mission last year, where the EU launched the European Hydrogen Strategy in 2020.
- India aims at becoming a net exporter of green hydrogen by 2030 due to its cheap renewable energy tariffs.