



### **Prelims Practice Questions 10-09-2019**

1) Consider the following statements with respect to *Motihari-Amalekhgunj pipeline*

1. It is proposed project between China and Nepal
2. It will ensure smooth, cost-effective and environment-friendly supply of petroleum products to Nepal.

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

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

Answer : b

- The pipeline will transport fuel from Barauni refinery in Bihar's Begusarai district to Amalekhgunj in southeastern Nepal, situated across the border from Raxaul in East Champaran district.
- The 69-km pipeline will drastically reduce the cost of transporting fuel to landlocked Nepal from India.

2) *2019 Lancet Commission* which is recently in news, released its report on which of the following subject?

- a. Poverty Alleviation
- b. Limiting the spread of Non-Communicable diseases
- c. Malaria Eradication
- d. Polio Control

Answer : c

- A report published by The Lancet Commission on malaria eradication, used existing evidence with new epidemiological and financial analyses.
- The Lancet concludes that it is possible to eradicate malaria as early as 2050 or within a generation with the right strategies and sufficient funding.

3) Consider the following statements with respect to *Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan-Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY)*

1. It is an old age pension scheme for all land holding Small and Marginal Farmers (SMFs) (who owns cultivable land up to 2 hectare) in the country.
2. It is a voluntary and contributory pension scheme for the entry age group 18 to 40 years.
3. The spouse is also eligible to get a separate pension of Rs.3000/- upon making separate contributions to the Fund.

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

- a. 1 & 2 only
- b. 1 only
- c. 3 only
- d. All of the above

Answer : d

- Pradhan Mantri KisanMaan-Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY) is an old age pension scheme for all land holding Small and Marginal Farmers (SMFs) in the country.
- Eligibility - Small and Marginal Farmer (SMF) - a farmer who owns cultivable land up to 2 hectare as per land records of the concerned State/UT.
- Age of 18- 40 years.

4) Consider the following statements with respect to *Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP)*

1. Reduction in import dependency.
2. Environmental friendly fuel.
3. Additional income to farmers.

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

- a. 1 & 2 only
- b. 2 only
- c. 1 & 3 only
- d. All of the above

Answer : d

- Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme was launched in 2003 on pilot basis to promote the use of alternative and environmental friendly fuels.
- It is implemented by the Ministry or Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs).
- The National Policy on Bio-fuels has set a target of 20% blending of biofuels, both for bio-diesel and bio-ethanol.
- This will require an integrated approach in the Ethanol Blending Programme (EBP).
- The stated benefits of Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme are as follows

1. Reduction in import dependency.
2. Support to agricultural sector.
3. Environmental friendly fuel.
4. Additional income to farmers.

5) Consider the following pairs with respect to lunar programs

Flyby	Country
1. Luna 3	- United States
2. Pioneer 3	- USSR.
3. Chang'e 4	- China

Which of the above pairs are matched correctly?

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

Answer : c

- Pioneer 3 - United States

- Luna 3 - USSR
- Chang'e 4 - China

6) Consider the following statements regarding freedom fighter *Govind Ballabh Pant*

1. He served as India's Home Minister from 1955 to 1961, it was during his tenure that states were reorganized on linguistic lines.
2. In 1957, Pant was awarded India's highest civilian award, the Bharat Ratna.

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

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

Answer : c

- He took efforts to pass the Hindu Code Bill (in Uttar Pradesh), which made monogamy compulsory for Hindu men and gave Hindu women the right to divorce and inherit ancestral property.
- He was the first Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh in Independent India.
- As chief minister, he was always against a separate electorate for minorities, saying the step would further divide communities.

7) *National Animal Disease Control Programme* about to be launched by central government is to address which of the following disease?

- a. Anthrax
- b. Foot and Mouth Disease
- c. Swine flu
- d. Avian influenza

Answer : b

- PM to launch National Animal Disease Control Programme for Foot and Mouth Disease.
- It is a 100% centrally funded programme, which aims to control Foot and Mouth Disease and Brucellosis by 2025 with vaccination and eventual eradication by 2030.
- Foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) is an infectious and sometimes fatal viral disease - Affects cloven-hoofed animals, including domestic and wild bovids.
- It is highly infectious and can be spread by infected animals through aerosols, through contact with contaminated farming equipment, vehicles, clothing, or feed, and by domestic and wild predators.
- The virus causes a high fever for two or three days, followed by blisters inside the mouth and on the feet that may rupture and cause lameness.
- Humans can be infected with foot-and-mouth disease through contact with infected animals, but this is extremely rare.

8) Consider the following statements with respect to *The Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2019*.

1. The Act promises to protect those people who render emergency medical or non-medical assistance to a victim of an accident, from any civil or criminal liability.
2. The minimum compensation for death or grievous injury due to hit and run has been moved up substantially.

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

- a. 1 only

- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 & 2
- d. None of the above

Answer : c

- The Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2019 is based on the recommendations of the Group of Transport Ministers of States.
- The new Act has extended the period for renewal of driving licenses from one month to one year after the date of expiry.
- Only if the renewal delayed more than a year, will the driver have to undergo a test of competence.
- The Act promises to protect those people who render emergency medical or non-medical assistance to a victim of an accident, from any civil or criminal liability.
- The minimum compensation for death or grievous injury due to hit and run has been moved up substantially.

9) *Saint Vincent and the Grenadines* is an island nation located in which of the following seas?

- a. Caribbean Sea
- b. Weddle Sea
- c. Ross Sea
- d. Scotia Sea

Answer : a

- Prime Minister of St. Vincent and Grenadines participating in high-level United Nations Convention on Combating Desertification (UNCCD) Symposium in New Delhi.
- St. Vincent and Grenadines has a historical achievement of becoming "the smallest country ever" to be elected as a non-permanent member of the UN Security Council.

10) *Krishna river*, an east-flowing river that originates at Mahabaleshwar in Maharashtra, flows through which of the following states

1. Maharashtra
2. Karnataka
3. Telangana
4. Andhra Pradesh

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

- a. 1, 2 & 3 only
- b. 1,2 &4 only
- c. 1,3,& 4 only
- d. All of the above

Answer : d

- The Krishna is an east-flowing river that originates at Mahabaleshwar in Maharashtra.
- It flowing through Maharashtra, Karnataka, Telangana and Andhra Pradesh before entering into the Bay of Bengal