



## Daily Current Affairs Prelims Quiz - 30-05-2020 - (Online Prelims Test)

1) Consider the following statements with respect to *National Career Service Mission*

1. It is a one-stop solution that provides a wide array of employment and career related services to the citizens of India.
2. It is a five year mission mode project being implemented by the Directorate General of Employment.

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

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

Answer : d

- The **Ministry of Labour and Employment** under its **National Career Service (NCS)** project has now started offering free online "Career Skills Training" in partnership with TCS ION for its registered job-seekers.

### **National Career Service Mission**

- It is a **five year mission mode project** launched in 2015.
- The project is being implemented by the **Directorate General of Employment, Ministry of Labour & Employment**.
- National Career Service (NCS) is a one-stop solution that provides a wide array of employment and career related services to the citizens of India.
- It works towards bridging the gap between jobseekers and employers, candidates seeking training and career guidance, agencies providing training and career counselling.
- The NCS project reaches out to the people of this country through its three essential pillars i.e. a well-designed ICT based portal which is NCS portal, Country wide set up of Model Career Centers and Inter-linkage with all the states through employment exchanges.

2) *Agneeprastha*, sometimes seen in the news recently, is a?

- a. Missile Park to be setup by the Ministry of Defence
- b. New laboratory of Defence Research and Development Organisation
- c. Fire and Rescue Operation held by the National Disaster Response Force
- d. Super Computer Complex established by the Ministry of Electronics and IT

Answer : a

- Foundation Stone for a Missile Park "AGNEEPRASTHA" was recently laid at INS Kalinga.
- The Missile Park 'AGNEEPRASTHA' once completed will be dedicated to all the Officers, Sailors and Support Staff of INS Kalinga, who have served in this premier op-support Base of the ENC since its establishment in 1981.
- The Park also commemorates the award of the prestigious Unit Citation to INS Kalinga for the

year 2018-19.

## **AGNEEPRASTHA**

- It aims to capture glimpses of Missile History of INS Kalinga since 1981 till date.
- The Missile Park has been set up with a replica of missiles and Ground Support Equipment (GSE) that showcase the evolution of missiles handled by the unit.
- The exhibits have been created from scrap/obsolete inventory which have been reconditioned in-house.
- It will also provide a one-stop arena for motivation and stimulation of inquisitive minds regarding the missiles and related technologies, from school children to Naval personnel and their families.

3) Consider the following statements about *Kalapani*, a disputed territory between India and Nepal

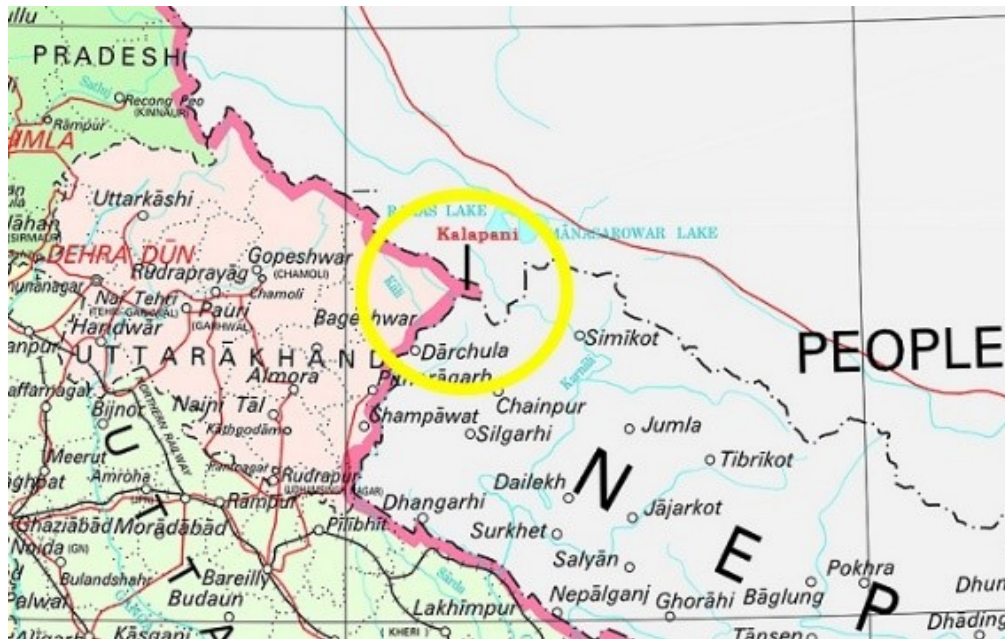
1. The Kali River in the Kalapani region demarcates the border between India and Nepal.
2. The Treaty of Sugauli signed by the Kingdom of Nepal and British India (after Anglo-Nepalese War) in 1816 located the Kali River as Nepal's western boundary with India.

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

- Kali River is also known as Sharda river or Kali Ganga in Uttarakhand. It joins Ghagra river in Uttar Pradesh, which is a tributary of Ganga.
- River Projects includes Tanakpur hydro-electric project, Chameliya hydro-electric project, Sharda Barrage.
- Kalapani is a valley that is administered by India as a part of the Pithoragarh district of Uttarakhand.
- It is situated on the Kailash Mansarovar route.
- The Kali River in the Kalapani region demarcates the border between India and Nepal.
- The Treaty of Sugauli signed by the Kingdom of Nepal and British India (after Anglo-Nepalese War) in 1816 located the Kali River as Nepal's western boundary with India.
- The discrepancy in locating the source of the river led to boundary disputes between India and Nepal, with each country producing maps supporting their own claims.
- In the latest political map of India, India reiterated its claims on the region that Nepal considers its own territory in Darchula district.
- According to India, the historic Kalapani region forms part of the state of Uttarakhand.
- Recently India hit out at Nepal for releasing a new political map that includes Kalapani, a bone of contention between the two countries, as well as other disputed spots.



4) Major Suman Gawani, an Indian Army officer has been recently selected for the prestigious Military Gender Advocate of the Year Award (2019). With respect to the award, consider the following statements:

1. The award was created in 2016 and will be awarded by the United Nations.
2. The award honours the dedication and effort of individual military peacekeepers in promoting the UN principles on Women, Peace and Security.
3. This is the first time that an Indian peacekeeper is being given the Military Gender Advocate award.

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

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

Answer : d

- **Major Suman Gawani** of the Indian Army, a Military Observer formerly deployed with the **United Nations Mission in South Sudan** (UNMISS) and Commander Carla Monteiro de Castro Araujo, a **Brazilian Naval officer** have been chosen for the “Military Gender Advocate of the Year Award”.

### **United Nations Military Gender Advocate of the Year Award**

- It was created in 2016.
- It recognizes the dedication and effort of an individual military peacekeeper in promoting the principles of UN Security Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security in a peace operation context.
- For the first time, two peacekeepers will receive **the award jointly** for their contribution to this important cause.
- This is the first time that an **Indian peacekeeper** is being given the Military Gender Advocate award.

5) India’s first dolphin observatory was planned to setup in which of the following states?

- a. Bihar

- b. Assam
- c. Uttar Pradesh
- d. Madhya Pradesh

Answer : a

- **Bihar government** is setting up India's first observatory for the mammals in Bhagalpur district at the Vikramshila Gangetic Dolphin Sanctuary (VGDS).
- The structural design of the observatory is such that it will promote eco-tourism.
- The observatory is being built on the Sultanganj-Aguwani Ghat bridge over the Ganga, it will be in the middle of the river, where bridge's width will be nearly 100 feet.
- The four-storey observatory will be 40 feet high, with the bridge passing through its middle.
- The observatory building will be transparent, with glass from all sides to ensure people can watch the dolphins.
- It will give people an incentive to visit the place and see dolphins in the sanctuary without disturbing them.
- There would be no bad or adverse impact on the river's ecology as the observatory is being constructed on a bridge over the Ganga.
- There are also suggestions to build another dolphin observatory at the confluence of the Ganga and Punpun rivers near Fatuha in Patna, about 5-15 dolphins are visible at the site at all times of the year.



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