



EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY

DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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1. With reference to the North Eastern Region Power System Improvement Project (NERPSIP), consider the following statements:

- 1) The Union Cabinet has approved the Revised Cost Estimate (RCE) of North Eastern Region Power System Improvement Project (NERPSIP) at an estimated cost of Rs. 6,700 crore.
- 2) The scheme is being implemented through POWERGRID, a Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) under Ministry of Power in association with six beneficiary North Eastern States namely, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, and Tripura.
- 3) The scheme is targeted to be commissioned by December 2021.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

2. With reference to the National Hydrology Project, consider the following statements:

- 1) National Hydrology Project (NHP) was started in the year 2016 as a centrally sponsored Scheme.
- 2) Under the NHP, a nationwide repository of water resources data - NWIC has been established.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

3. 'Project Rupee Raftar' report published by:

- a) NITI Aayog
- b) World Bank
- c) World Economic Forum
- d) Union Ministry of Civil Aviation

4. Consider the following statements:

- 1) The Government of India and the World Bank signed a \$400 million project to support India's efforts at providing social assistance to the poor and vulnerable households, severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 2) The first operation of \$750 million was approved in May 2020.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

5. With reference to the Prime Minister's Special Scholarship Scheme (PMSSS), consider the following statements:

- 1) Extending support to J&K and Ladakh students, AICTE has decided to release the instalment of Rs. 20,000/- as maintenance allowance under Prime Minister's Special Scholarship Scheme (PMSSS).
- 2) The Scheme aims to build the capacities of the youths of J&K and Ladakh by Educating, Enabling and Empowering them to compete in the normal course.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

6. With reference to the Human Development Index (HDI), consider the following statements:

- 1) India ranked 131 among 189 countries on the Human Development Index (HDI) for 2019.
- 2) It is released by the UNESCO.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

7. Consider the following statements regarding Keoladeo National Park.

- 1) Keoladeo National Park is a famous avifauna sanctuary that hosts thousands of birds, especially during the winter season.
- 2) It is a natural wetland and also a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- 3) It is located in the middle of Central Asian migratory flyway.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1, 2 b) 1, 3 c) 2, 3 d) 1, 2, 3

8. Zero Mass Water, sometimes in news is related to

- a) Converting human waste into water and other by-products
- b) Purifying seawater using renewable energy
- c) Creating potable drinking water from the atmosphere
- d) Purifying rainwater for drinking

9. Consider the following statements.

- 1) Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) tracks countries' efforts to combat climate change and is published annually by UNEP.
- 2) UNFCCC can impose penalty if a country fails to meet Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) under the Paris Climate Pact.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

10. The terms “Pratyush and Mihir” sometimes seen in the news are related to
- a) Fuel cells that finds commercial applications
 - b) High Performance Computing (HPC) Systems
 - c) Quantum supercomputers of ISRO
 - d) Quick Reaction Surface-to-Air missiles