



EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY

DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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EXPLANATION

1. Ans) (d)

This species was formerly widespread in India and Pakistan. The bustard is critically endangered in Pakistan primarily due to lack of protection and rampant hunting. A few birds were detected in a September 2013 survey of the Cholistan Desert in Pakistan.

2. Ans) (d)

The government may not initially sell a 10% stake in Life Insurance Corp. of India (LIC) through an initial public offering (IPO), choosing instead to sell 5-6%, followed by a similar second public offering, given the mammoth size of the state-run insurer, four people aware of the development said.

3. Ans) (d)

The policy will be notified by the Government soon. Drafted by the Sports and Youth Affairs Department, Government of Meghalaya, the policy is in sync with the government's vision for the state to transform Meghalaya to be amongst the top 10 states in 10 years in GSDP per capita and SDG ranking.

4. Ans) (d)

The Central Government has recommended a biodiversity study of the proposed 3,097 MW Etalin Hydroelectric Project in Arunachal Pradesh by a credible international institute since the current environmental impact assessment was found to be "completely inadequate". The Project is based on the river Dibang. It is proposed to be completed in 7 years. Dibang is a tributary of the Brahmaputra river which flows through the states of Arunachal Pradesh and Assam. It envisages construction of two dams over the tributaries of Dibang: Dir and Tangon. Bhagwan Mahavir wildlife sanctuary -goa

5. Ans) (c)

Katkari tribal youth from Shahpur in Maharashtra are making a name by selling Giloy and other products online during lockdown.

- They received help under the Pradhan Mantri Van Dhan Yojana (PMVDY) run by the Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India (TRIFED).
- TRIFED is a national level apex organisation functioning under the administrative control of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

- Giloy (*Tinospora Cordifolia*) is an Ayurvedic herb that has been used and advocated in Indian medicine for ages..

6. Ans) (c)

The Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI) is an index which ranks countries "by their perceived levels of public sector[1] corruption, as determined by expert assessments and opinion surveys." [2] The CPI generally defines corruption as an "abuse of entrusted power for private gain". [3] The index is published annually by the non-governmental organisation Transparency International since 1995.

7. Ans) (b)

Prime Minister of India, Shri Narendra Modi launched today his ambitious multi-purpose and multi-modal platform PRAGATI (Pro-Active Governance And Timely Implementation). PRAGATI is a unique integrating and interactive platform. The platform is aimed at addressing common man's grievances, and simultaneously monitoring and reviewing important programmes and projects of the Government of India as well as projects flagged by State Governments.

8. Ans) (a)

As the name suggests, the scheme provides incentives to companies for enhancing their domestic manufacturing apart from focusing on reducing import bills and improving the cost competitiveness of local goods. PLI scheme offers incentives on incremental sales for products manufactured in India.

9. Ans) (d)

Significant proportion of chemical content was found present in all tested cracker results. These chemicals also form oxides, some of which are extremely toxic to human health including sulphur trioxide, vanadium pentoxide, potassium oxides and copper oxides,"

10. Ans) (b)

In yet another landmark achievement, India's nomination of Rudreswara Temple, (also known as the Ramappa Temple) at Palampet, Mulugu district, near Warangal in the state of Telangana has been inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage list. The decision was taken at the 44th session of the World Heritage Committee of UNESCO today. Ramappa temple, a 13th century engineering marvel named after its architect, Ramappa, was proposed by the government as its only nomination for the UNESCO World Heritage site tag for the year 2019.