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India Current Affairs [Nation & States] MCQs

1. Border Roads Organisation (BRO) functions under which ministry?

- [A] Ministry of Home Affairs
- [B] Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
- [C] Ministry of Defence
- [D] Ministry of Tourism

Answer: Ministry of Defence

At least 14 BRO workers were recently rescued from an avalanche in Mana, Uttarakhand's Chamoli district. The Border Roads Organisation (BRO) is India's road construction force supporting the Armed Forces. It operates under the Ministry of Defence and was established on May 7, 1960. BRO builds and maintains roads in border areas and friendly neighboring countries.

2. Pardhi community is primarily found in which states?

- [A] Mizoram and Nagaland
- [B] Assam and Manipur
- [C] Bihar and Jharkhand
- [D] Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh

Forest rights activists and lawyers raised concerns over Madhya Pradesh's order for surveillance of nomadic tribes, including the Pardhi community. Pardhis are a nomadic tribe historically involved in hunting since the Mughal era. They were hired for hunting by the British and Indian landlords. They primarily live in Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh, with small groups in Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh. The name "Pardhi" comes from "paradh," meaning hunter in Marathi.

3. 'Kota Cares initiative' is associated with which state?

- [A] Jharkhand
- [B] Bihar
- [C] Rajasthan
- [D] Gujarat

Answer: Rajasthan

The Kota district administration, Rajasthan, announced reforms to address student stress and rising suicides among competitive exam

aspirants. Kota Cares is a joint initiative launched in December 2024 by the administration, coaching institutes, hostel associations, and local communities. It aims to improve the educational ecosystem and student welfare in the city. The initiative is seen as a model for other educational hubs across India.

4. As per recent report, which state has emerged as the national leader in mangrove afforestation under the 'MISHTI' scheme?

- [A] Gujarat
- [B] Odisha
- [C] Karnataka
- [D] Andhra Pradesh

Answer: Gujarat

Gujarat leads India in mangrove afforestation, covering 19,020 hectares in two years under the MISHTI scheme. MISHTI (Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitats and Tangible Incomes) was launched in 2023 to expand mangrove forests and support coastal livelihoods. The initiative aims to strengthen coastal ecosystems across India's coastal states and union territories. Gujarat's rapid afforestation efforts have made it the top performer in the scheme.

5. Pandoh Dam, which was seen in news, is located in which state?

- [A] Sikkim
- [B] Himachal Pradesh
- [C] Uttarakhand
- [D] Madhya Pradesh

Answer: Himachal Pradesh

Due to heavy rain and snowfall in Himachal Pradesh, the Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB) opened the spillway gates of Pandoh Dam as a precautionary measure. Pandoh Dam is an embankment dam located in Mandi district, Himachal Pradesh. It is built on the Beas River and primarily serves hydroelectric power generation. The dam is a concrete gravity structure, standing 76 meters (249 feet) tall.

6. Juanga Tribe is primarily found in which state?

- [A] Kerala
- [B] Tamil Nadu
- [C] Odisha



[D] Maharashtra

Answer: Odisha

National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) sought an action taken report from the Keonjhar district magistrate on alleged human rights violations of the Juanga tribe. Juang is one of 13 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) among 62 tribes in Odisha. As per the 2011 census, their population is around 50,000. They are mainly found in Keonjhar and Dhenkanal districts of Odisha. They speak the Juang language, part of the Munda family within Austroasiatic languages. The Juangs are known for their strong clan structure and kinship organizations.

7. Rushikulya River, that was recently seen in news, flows through which state?

[A] Odisha

[B] Karnataka

[C] Jharkhand

[D] Bihar

Answer: Odisha

Forest officials restricted entry along a 5-km stretch from Gokharakuda to Bateswar near the Rushikulya river mouth in Ganjam to protect Olive Ridley turtle eggs. The Rushikulya River is a major river in Odisha, flowing through Kandhamal, Ganjam, and Boudh districts. It originates from the Daringbadi hills in the Eastern Ghats at about 1000 meters elevation. The river flows 165 km before entering the Bay of Bengal near Ganjam without forming a delta. Its basin covers around 7500 sq. km, with tributaries like Baghua, Dhanei, and Badanadi. Rushikulya Beach is a key nesting site for Olive Ridley turtles.

8. Which Indian municipal corporation became India's first local body to include a climate chapter in its budget?

[A] Mumbai Municipal Corporation

[B] Bengaluru Municipal Corporation

[C] Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation

[D] Delhi Municipal Corporation

Answer: Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation

Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) became India's first urban body to include a

separate climate chapter in its 2025-26 budget. The "sustainable and climate budget" allocates ₹5,619.58 crore (over a third) of AMC's ₹15,502 crore budget for climate action. The fund will support a net-zero, climate-resilient city action plan aligned with India's net-zero target of 2070. Other metro cities like Delhi, Mumbai, and Coimbatore have been slow to institutionalize climate action in their budgets, though Mumbai has allocated 33% for climate projects in 2024-25.

9. India's first World Peace Center has been inaugurated in which city?

[A] Pune

[B] Gurugram

[C] Chandigarh

[D] New Delhi

Answer: Gurugram

India's first World Peace Center was inaugurated in Gurugram, Haryana by former President Ram Nath Kovind and other dignitaries. Established by Ahimsa Vishwa Bharti under the guidance of Jain Acharya Lokesh. The center aims to promote peace, harmony, and spiritual consciousness globally. It will spread the ideals of Bhagwan Mahavir, Lord Buddha, and Guru Nanak. The center will have a global impact, influencing platforms like the United Nations and World Parliament of Religions.

10. Which ministry has launched the 'One Day as a Scientist' initiative to engage students in scientific research?

[A] Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

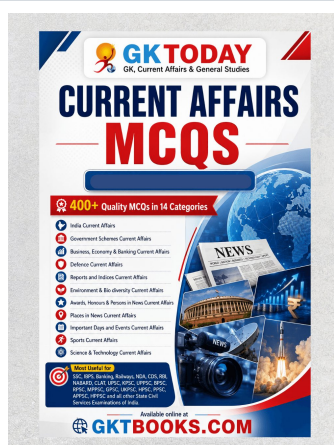
[B] Ministry of AYUSH

[C] Ministry of Science and Technology

[D] Ministry of Defence

Answer: Ministry of AYUSH

The Ministry of AYUSH launched the 'One Day as a Scientist' initiative to engage students in scientific research. It is inspired by PM Modi's 'Mann Ki Baat' call to develop a scientific mindset among students. The program encourages students to explore research labs and gain hands-on experience. AYUSH institutions opened their doors to showcase modern technology and traditional medicine. The initiative aims to foster



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