

**Que-1 With reference to the innovative Market Linkage scheme-PARVAZ, consider the following statements**

1- For uplifting the economic conditions of the farmers across the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir.

2- An aim to create market linkage support for the shipment of Agriculture and Horticulture perishables being harvested in Jammu and Kashmir through Air Cargo.

3- Under the scheme, 100 per cent subsidy on freight charges is given for carrying perishable fruits harvested in Jammu and Kashmir for shipment through Air Cargo.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

**Que-2 Consider the following statements about One District – One Product (ODOP)**

1- It is an initiative which is seen as a transformational step forward towards realizing the true potential of a district, fuel economic growth and generate employment and rural entrepreneurship, taking us to the goal of AtmaNirbhar Bharat.

2- The ODOP initiative is aimed to foster balanced regional development across all districts of the country.

3- The idea is to select, brand, and promote one product from each district (One District – One Product) of the country for enabling holistic socio-economic growth across all regions.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

**Que-3 With reference to Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) advisory committee, recently constituted by SEBI, consider the following statements**

1- The 5-member committee.

2- The advisory committee will suggest measures required to encourage FPI participation in the bond market and advice on issues related to investments and operations of such investors in the Indian financial markets.

3- This will advise it on measures to facilitate ease of doing business by Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) in India.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

**Que-4 Consider the following statements about Supreme Court collegium**

1- The Three Judges cases saw the evolution of the collegium system.

2- The collegium of the CJI and four senior-most judges of the Supreme Court make recommendations for appointments to the apex court and High Courts.

3- The collegium cannot veto the government if the names are sent back by the latter for reconsideration.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

**Que-5 Consider the following statements about Solar photovoltaics (PV)**

1- India's current solar module manufacturing capacity is limited to ~15 GW per year.

2- By 2030, India is targeting about 250 GW of renewable energy deployment, out of which ~180 GW is expected from solar PV.

3- Governments key initiatives include a 40% duty on the import of modules and 25% duty on the import of cells, and a PLI scheme to support manufacturing capex.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

**Que-6 Consider the following statements about Counterfeit currency**

1- It is currency produced without the legal sanction of a state or government, usually in a deliberate attempt to imitate that currency and so as to deceive its recipient.

2- The value of the counterfeit currency in the banking system reduced from ₹43.47 crore in 2016-17 to about ₹8.26 crore in 2021-22.

3- A Terror Funding and Fake Currency Cell in the National Investigation Agency (NIA) has been constituted to conduct a focused investigation of terror funding and fake currency cases.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

**Que-7 With reference to Ocean thermal energy conversion plant, recently in News, consider the following statements**

1- The plant will power the one lakh litre per day low temperature thermal desalination plant, which converts seawater into potable water.

2- The National Institute of Ocean Technology is establishing an Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion plant with a capacity of 65 kilowatt (kW) in Andaman and Nicobar Islands.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

**Que-8 Consider the following statements about Soil mapping**

1- Soil mapping is very important for the correct implementation of sustainable land use management.

2- Soil mapping involves locating and identifying the different soils that occur, collecting information about their location, nature, properties and potential use, and recording this information on maps and in supporting documents to show the spatial distribution of every soil.

3- Local wisdom and experience should be an important aspect of soil mapping because farmers will be one of the major

end-users of the maps produced and they should account for the farmers' reality.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

### ANSWER

1- (a)

- Under the scheme, 25 per cent subsidy on freight charges is given for carrying perishable fruits harvested in Jammu and Kashmir for shipment through Air Cargo.

- This scheme tends to benefit the farmers by doubling their income thereby ensuring their economic and social welfare the scheme the farmers will get the price of their produce directly in their bank account with no intermediary in between.

2- (c)

3- (d)

- The 15-member committee will be chaired by K V Subramanian, former chief economic adviser to the Government of India.

- Other terms of reference of the committee include review investment avenues available for FPIs and advise

on feasibility of new investment avenues. The panel will be required to recommend measures for simplification of FPI regulations and to advise on custodian-related matters pertaining to such foreign investors.

4- (a)

- The collegium can veto the government if the names are sent back by the latter for reconsideration.
- The Three Judges cases saw the evolution of the collegium system. In the First Judges case, the court held that the consultation with the CJI should be “full and effective”. The Second Judges case introduced the collegium system in 1993. It ruled that the CJI would have to consult a collegium of his two senior-most judges in the apex court on judicial appointments. The court held that such a “collective opinion” of the collegium would have primacy over the government. It was the Third Judges case in 1998, which was a Presidential reference, that expanded the judicial collegium to its present composition of the CJI and four of his senior-most judges.
- The basic tenet behind the collegium system is that the judiciary should have primacy over the government in matters of appointments and

transfers in order to remain independent.

5- (b)

- By 2030, India is targeting about 500 GW of renewable energy deployment, out of which ~280 GW is expected from solar PV.
- From less than 10 MW in 2010, India has added significant PV capacity over the past decade, achieving over 50 GW by 2022.
- A typical solar PV value chain consists of first fabricating polysilicon ingots which need to be transformed into thin Si wafers that are needed to manufacture the PV mini-modules. The mini-modules are then assembled into market-ready and field-deployable modules.

6- (c)

- The value of the counterfeit currency in the banking system reduced from ₹43.47 crore in 2016-17 to about ₹8.26 crore in 2021-22, amounting to a sharp decline of more than 80%, according to a Finance Ministry.
- The government has also set up an Fake Indian Currency Notes (FICN) Coordination Group to share intelligence and information with the security agencies in the States and the Centre.

- As per the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) data, the value of fake currency seized by various enforcement agencies in 2017 was ₹28 crore. However, it shot up to ₹92.18 crore in 2020.

7- (a)

- The National Institute of Ocean Technology, an autonomous institute under the Union Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) is establishing an Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion plant with a capacity of 65 kilowatt (kW) in Kavaratti, the capital of Lakshadweep.

8- (c)

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