

Que-1 With reference to Special maternity leave, recently modified, consider the following statements

- 1- The Centre has decided to grant a 60-day special maternity leave for women Central government employees in case of stillbirth or death of an infant within a few days of birth.
- 2- The condition for death of a child soon after birth may be defined as up to 14 days after birth.
- 3- A baby born with no signs of life at or after 28 weeks of gestation may be defined as stillbirth.

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 only

Que-2 With reference to System for Pensions Administration - Raksha or SPARSH, consider the following statements

- 1- SPARSH is a web-based system processing pension claims and crediting the pension directly into the bank accounts of defence pensioners without any external intermediary.
- 2- It is being implemented by Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.

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-3 Consider the following statements about 14th India-UAE Joint Commission Meeting

- 1- Achieving the goal of 100 billion US dollars of bilateral trade in the next five years.
- 2- Both countries have noted the possibility of linking instant payment platforms, such as through the United Payment Interface of India.
- 3- One MoU was signed between the Wildlife Institute of India and the International Fund for Houbara Conservation for the Conservation of the Great Indian Bustard and the Lesser Florican.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

Que-4 With reference to Competition Commission of India (CCI), consider the following statements

- 1- It is a statutory body within the Ministry of Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- 2- It is responsible for enforcing the Competition Act, 2002 in order to promote

competition and prevent activities that have an appreciable adverse effect on competition in India.

3- CCI approves combination under the act so that two merging entities do not overtake the market.

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
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Que-5 Consider the following statements

1- India has overtaken the U.K. to become the world's fifth-largest economy.

2- Now India is behind only the US, China, Japan and Canada.

3- India has a population 20 times that of the U.K. and so its GDP per capita is lower.

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
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Que-6 In a unique and first-of-its-kind initiative, the Department of Science and Technology, DST has undertaken to set up India's first-ever Night Sky Sanctuary in

- a) Jammu & Kashmir
b) Ladakh
c) Uttarakhand
d) Sikkim
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Que-7 Consider the following statements about National Legal Services Authority of India (NALSA)

1- Its purpose is to provide free legal services to eligible candidates, and to organize Lok Adalats for speedy resolution of cases.

2- The Chief Justice of India is the Executive-Chairman of NALSA.

3- The prime objective of NALSA is speedy disposal of cases and reducing the burden of judiciary.

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
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Que-8 With reference to Shumang Leela Festival, consider the following statements

- 1- It is a traditional form of theatre in Mizoram, North East India.
- 2- The roles are all played by male actors, some dressed as beautiful ladies.
- 3- The present day Shumang Leelas address the issues of moral values, unity and integrity.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

ANSWER

- 1- (b)
 - The condition for death of a child soon after birth may be defined as up to 28 days after birth.
 - The benefit of special maternity leave shall be admissible only to a woman Central government servant with less than two surviving children and for a child born only in an authorised hospital, which is defined as government hospital or private hospital empanelled under the Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS). "In case of emergency delivery in non-empanelled private

hospital, production of emergency certificate is mandatory.

- 2- (a)
 - It is being implemented by Ministry of Defence.
- 3- (c)
 - Another MoU was signed between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of UAE and the Indian Council for Cultural Relations on the establishment of the India-UAE Cultural Council Forum.
 - The UAE is India's third largest trade partner. Around 35 lakh Indians live in the UAE and play a major role in the economic development of the UAE.
- 4- (d)
 - It is a statutory body within the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- 5- (b)
 - Now India is behind only the US, China, Japan and Germany.
 - A decade back, India was ranked 11th among the large economies while the U.K. was at the fifth position.
 - With record beating expansion in the April-June quarter, the Indian economy has now overtaken the U.K., which has slipped to the sixth spot.

6- (b)

- The proposed Dark Sky Reserve will be located at Hanle in Ladakh as a part of Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary. It will boost Astro tourism in India and will be one of the world's highest-located sites for optical, infrared, and gamma-ray telescopes.

time of monarchical rule in Manipur. But the proper form of Shumang Leela had its inception in 1895 A.D.

- The present day Shumang Leelas address the issues of moral values, unity and integrity. The fostering of bonds of brotherhood and friendship among various communities in the State is also promoted by the theatre.
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7- (b)

- National Legal Services Authority of India (NALSA) was formed on 9 November 1995 under the authority of the Legal Services Authorities Act 1987.
- The NALSA has been constituted under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 to provide free Legal Services to the weaker sections of the society.
- The Chief Justice of India is patron-in-chief of NALSA while the second senior-most Judge of the Supreme Court of India is the Executive-Chairman.

8- (d)

- It is a traditional form of theatre in Manipur, North East India.
- The role of male characters are played by female artists in case of female theatre groups. This traditional theatre form was prevalent since the