

# **EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY**

# DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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## **EXPLANATION**

# 1. Ans) (b)

# Explanation:

Jal Jeevan Mission is to assist, empower and facilitate States/ UTs for creation of water supply infrastructure so that every rural household has Functional Tap Connection (FHTC) by 2024 and water in adequate quantity of prescribed quality is made available on regular basis.

To promote and ensure voluntary ownership among local community by way of contribution in cash, kind and/ or labour and voluntary labour (shramdaan).

Its components include Greywater management, technological interventions for removal of contaminants where water quality is an issue.

# 2. Ans) (c)

## Explanation:

Raja Prabais a festival of Odisha celebrates for threedays during the mid-June (preferably starts from 14th June and ends on 16th June) marking the beginning of monsoon. On this day people celebrate menstruation and womanhood, based on the belief that mother earth menstruates for three days which is considered as a sign of fertility.

#### 3. Ans) (c)

#### Explanation:

The Eurasian Group on Combating Money Laundering and financing of terrorism is an FATF-style regional body. The EAG was established in 2004 and is currently an associate member of the FATF.

The EAG was created for the countries of the Eurasian region not included in the existing FATF-style regional groups and is intended to play an important role in reducing the threat of international terrorism and ensure the transparency, reliability and security of the financial systems of states and their further integration into the international infrastructure for combating money laundering and terrorism financing (AML/CFT).

Indian officials, including representatives from enforcement agencies, have participated in the 32nd special Eurasian Group on Combating Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism (EAG) plenary meeting 2020, under the aegis of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF – HQ at Paris, France).

# 4. Ans) (a)

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# Explanation:

France and India signed a credit financing agreement promising 200 million euros to support the social welfare system and India's COVID response. The fund will be provided to India through the AFD, French Development Agency (AgenceFrançaise de Développement).

# 5. Ans) (c)

In accordance with the "Global Status Report on Preventing Violence Against Children 2020", a first of its kind report by United Nations (UN), up to 1 billion children are affected by physical, sexual or psychological violence, with long-lasting and costly emotional, social and economic consequences due to the inability of the countries to protect them by following the established strategies.

The report Jointly published by WHO, UNICEF, UNESCO, the UN Secretary-General's Special Representative on Violence against Children, and the Global Partnership to End Violence against Children.

## 6. Ans) (b)

# Explanation:

- 1. Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the mega 'Garib Kalyan RojgarAbhiyaan' aimed to boost livelihood opportunities in rural India amid the ongoing Covid-19 crisis.
- 2. The 'Garib Kalyan RojgarAbhiyaan' campaign is for 'shramik' workers who returned to their villages during the lockdown. They want to put their skills to use and contribute to the development of their villages.
- 3. The campaign is of 125 days, which will work in mission mode. It will involve intensified and focused implementation of 25 different types of works to provide employment to migrant workers on one hand and create infrastructure in the rural regions of the country on the other, with a resource envelope of Rs 50,000 crore.

A total of 116 districts with more than 25,000 migrant workers each across Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jharkhand and Odisha have been chosen for the campaign and includes 27 aspirational districts

The campaign will contribute towards provision of modern facilities, such as internet connectivity, laying of optic fibre cables, to increase internet speed in villages, so that children in villages are able to study and learn like those in cities.

# 7. Ans) (d)

The Botanical Survey of India came up with the first comprehensive census of orchids of India putting the total number of orchid species or taxa to 1,256.

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A State-wise distribution of orchid species point out that the Himalayas, North-East parts of the country and Western Ghats are the hot-spots of the beautiful plant species.

The highest number of orchid species is recorded from Arunachal Pradesh with 612 species, followed by Sikkim 560 species and West Bengal; Darjeeling Himalayas have also high species concentration, with 479 species.

While north-east India rank at the top in species concentration, the Western Ghats have high endemism of orchids.

Among the 10 bio geographic zones of India, the Himalayan zone is the richest in terms of orchid species followed by Northeast, Western Ghats, Deccan plateau and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

Entire orchid family is listed under appendix II of CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora) and hence any trade of wild orchid is banned globally.

## 8. Ans) (c)

Explanation: United Nations Public Service Day (UNPSC) is observed on 23 June. The day marks the important role and the dedication of public servants during the crisis. The day is to highlight the importance of public service and the valiant people who dedicate their lives to the nation.

# 9. Ans) (c)

Explanation:

The Minister of State (MoS) for Shipping (Independent charge) and Chemicals & Fertilisers Shri Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurated India's one the largest first Virtual Healthcare & Hygiene EXPO 2020. The Expo has been organized by the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI).

#### 10. Ans) (c)

Explanation:

The Bloomberg Billionaires Index is a daily ranking of the world's richest people. Details about the calculations are provided in the net worth analysis on each billionaire's profile page. The figures are updated at the close of every trading day in New York.

The net worth of Mukesh Ambani, chairman has jumped to \$64.5 billion, making him the only Asian tycoon in the exclusive club of the world's top 10 richest people, according to the Bloomberg Billionaires Index. He overtook Larry Ellison of Oracle Corp. and France's Francoise Bettencourt Meyers, the wealthiest woman, to reach the No. 9 spot.

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