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1. With reference to the National Digital Health Mission (NDHM), consider the following statements.

1. NDHM aims to provide health ID to Indian citizens which will store an individual's medical records.
2. Enrollment in the initiative is mandatory for everyone.
3. The Bureau of Pharma Public Sector Undertakings of India has been given the mandate by the government to design, build, roll-out and implement the NDHM in the country.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Answer: A

Explanation:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi in his Independence Day speech announced a major digital initiative in the form of National Digital Health Mission.
- The project will provide a health ID to every person in the country, and benefit the poor. The prime minister said that whatever medicine a doctor prescribed, when was it prescribed, what were the reports - all this information will be linked to a person's health ID.
- It is going to be another flagship initiative of the government like Ayushman Bharat.

What is the National Digital Health Mission?

- The blueprint of the programme was launched last year. It seeks to provide efficient and affordable health coverage through a wide-range of data and infrastructure services.
- The key feature of this mission is the **technology part** - it will leverage open digital systems to provide high-quality healthcare for all. It will integrate various digital health services to create an ecosystem which can assimilate existing health information systems.
- The government has said that it will ensure security and privacy of personal information.

What is a health ID?

- **Statement 1 is correct:** Under NDHM, Indian citizens will get a digital health ID which is basically a digital format of all his/her health records which will be linked to the registry of doctors and health facilities across the country.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** The government has said that enrollment in the initiative will be **voluntary**.
- The health ID will contain information about medical data, prescriptions and diagnostic reports and summaries of previous discharge from hospitals for ailments. The mission is expected to bring efficiency and transparency in healthcare services in the country.
- The NDHM aims to liberate citizens from the challenges of finding the right doctors, seeking appointment with them, payment of consultation fee, making several rounds of hospitals for prescription sheets and will empower all Indians with the correct information and sources enabling them to take an informed decision to avail the best possible healthcare.
- The NDHM comprises **six key building blocks or digital systems** - HealthID, DigiDoctor, Health Facility Registry, Personal Health Records, e-Pharmacy and Telemedicine - that will enable access to timely, safe and affordable healthcare through a 'citizen-centric' approach.
- **Statement 3 is incorrect:** The **National Health Authority (NHA)**, the apex agency responsible for the implementation of Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY), has been given the mandate by the government to design, build, roll-out and implement the NDHM in the country.

<https://www.hindustantimes.com/india-news/explained-what-is-national-digital-health-mission-and-how-it-will-benefit-people/story-qOKlv3rbkrvB0aR9ZQyvdk.html>

2. Consider the following statements about National Cadet Corps (NCC).

1. The officers and cadets have no liability for active military service.
2. NCC operates under the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

Answer: A

Explanation:

- The National Cadet Corps (NCC) is a youth development movement. The NCC provides opportunities to the youth of the country for their all-round development with a sense of Duty, Commitment, Dedication, Discipline and Moral Values so that they become able leaders and useful citizens.
- The NCC provides exposure to the cadets in a wide range of activities., with a distinct emphasis on Social Services, Discipline and Adventure Training. The NCC is open to all regular students of schools and colleges on a voluntary basis.
- **Statement 1 is correct:** The students have **no liability for active military service.**
- The motto of NCC is:“ UNITY AND DISCIPLINE”.
- NCC is headed by the Director General (DG), an Army Officer of the rank of Lieutenant General.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** The NCC operates under the **Ministry of Defence.**

<http://newsonair.com/News?title=Defence-Minister-approves-proposal-for-major-expansion-of-NCC-to-cover-173-border-and-coastal-districts&id=397420>

3. New Development Bank was established by

- A. G 20 countries
- B. Shanghai Cooperation Organisation
- C. BRICS countries
- D. Association of Southeast Asian Nations

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Answer: C

Explanation:

- The NDB created by the BRICS countries formally came into existence at the Ufa Summit (Russia) in 2015.
- It was established with the objective of financing infrastructure and sustainable development projects in BRICS and other emerging economies and developing countries, complementing the efforts of multilateral and regional financial institutions toward global growth and development.
- In 2018, the NDB received **observer status** in the UN General Assembly.
- The five member nations – Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa – have an **equal shareholding in the NDB**.
- Voting power of each member is equal to the number of its subscribed shares in capital stock.
- All members of the United Nations could be members of the bank, however the share of the BRICS nations can never be less than **55% of voting power**.

<http://newsonair.com/News?title=India-calls-for-real-time-information-sharing-among-BRICS-nations-to-tackle-drug-menace&id=397431>

4. Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyan was launched with the major objective of

- A. Providing affordable loans to street vendors affected due to COVID-19 lockdown.
- B. To offer immediate employment to migrant workers who have returned to their villages because of COVID-19 lockdown.
- C. Providing health insurance to COVID-19 frontline workers.
- D. Providing rural people with the right to document their residential properties so that they can use their property for economic purposes.

Answer: B

Explanation:

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- Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyan aims to offer **immediate employment to migrant workers who have returned to their villages because of COVID-19 lockdown**, and while doing so it is expected to create durable infrastructure in rural areas.
 - A total of **116 Districts** with more than 25 thousand returnee migrant workers across **six States**, namely Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jharkhand and Odisha have been chosen for the campaign.
 - These districts are estimated to cover about two-third of such migrant workers.
 - Public Works worth Rs 50,000 crore would be carried out in these districts to provide immediate relief to these workers.
 - This is an umbrella scheme that has brought under it 25 different government schemes of 12 ministries/departments.
 - Workers will be employed in rural housing, rural connectivity including the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana, national highways, railway works, community sanitation complex, gram panchayats, anganwadis, water conservation, digging of wells, plantation and horticulture.
 - This scheme will be made available for **125 days** and extension of the scheme will be decided based on the need.
- Option A is related to **Pradhan Mantri Street Vendor's Atmanirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) Scheme**.
- Option D is related to **SVAMITVA scheme**.

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/india/generated-5-5-lakh-mandays-of-work-under-gareeb-kalyan-rozgar-abhiyan-in-6-states-railways/articleshow/77576991.cms>

5. Consider the following statements about the Navroz festival.

1. It is inscribed in the list of UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity of India.
2. Mughal emperor Aurangzeb banned the celebration of Navroz during his rule.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only

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- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

Answer: C

Explanation:

- Navroz is New Year celebrations for Parsis, followers of Zoroastrianism and various sects of Muslim, both Shias and Sunnis.
- Although the festival originated in Persia, it is celebrated with much fervour in many Indian states. The day is also referred to as Jamshedi Navroz after the Persian King Jamshed who founded the Parsi calendar.
- **Statement 1 is correct:** It is inscribed in the list of UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity of India.
- **Statement 2 is correct:** During his tenure, Aurangzeb banned the celebration of Navroz.

<https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1646240>

