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1. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Yuva Yojana, consider the following statements.

1. It will help in building and growing new businesses
2. It is implemented by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Answer: C

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 and 2 is correct**
- Pradhan Mantri YUVA Yojana (Yuva Udyamita Vikas Abhiyan) is a centrally sponsored Scheme on **entrepreneurship education and training** being implemented by the **Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Government of India.**
- The Scheme aims at creating an enabling ecosystem for Entrepreneurship development through Entrepreneurship education and training; Advocacy and easy access to entrepreneurship support network and Promoting social enterprises for inclusive growth.
- Specific objectives and deliverables
 - Educate and equip potential and early stage entrepreneurs
 - Connect entrepreneurs in enabling networks of peers, mentors, funds and business services
 - Support entrepreneurs through Entrepreneurship Hubs (E - Hubs)
 - Catalyze a culture shift to encourage entrepreneurship

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2. Consider the following statements regarding Paris Agreement.

1. US has decided to withdraw from it.
2. The agreement reaffirms the obligations of developing countries

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2

D. Neither 1 nor 2

Answer: A

Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct:** Currently, 195 UNFCCC members have signed it. However, US President Donald Trump has announced his intention to **withdraw from the agreement by November 2020.**
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** In accordance with the principle of “common but differentiated responsibility and respective capabilities” set out in the Convention, developed country Parties are to provide financial resources to assist developing country Parties in implementing the objectives of the UNFCCC. **The Paris Agreement reaffirms the obligations of developed countries, while for the first time also encouraging voluntary contributions by other Parties.** Developed country Parties should also continue to take the lead in mobilizing climate finance from a wide variety of sources, instruments and channels, noting the significant role of public funds, through a variety of actions, including supporting country-driven strategies, and taking into account the needs and priorities of developing country Parties. Such mobilization of climate finance should represent a progression beyond previous efforts.

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/international/china-vows-to-go-carbon-neutral-by-2060/article32680241.ece>

3. Which of the following ministry has launched the Bharatiya Poshan Krishi Kosh (BPKK)?

- A. Ministry of Women and Child Development
- B. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- C. Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare
- D. Ministry of Food Processing Industries

Answer: A

Explanation:

- At the request of the **Ministry of WCD** the Harvard Chan School of Public Health through its India Research Center and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation will document and evaluate promising regional dietary practices and the messaging around them and develop a food atlas on regional agro-food systems.
- Bhartiya Poshan Krishi Kosh (B.P.K.K.), a web portal having information of India's crop diversity across all districts – for both current and historical crops has been developed. It aims to provide data informed agro ecological contexts required to produce traditional and locally available nutrition-rich crops. The B.P.K.K. is designed to indicate the nutritional

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value of all major food crops, vegetables and fruits grown in all states and UTs of India down up to a district level. The information is aimed to be useful for all age groups. There is a special focus on dietary charts for pregnant women based on regional preferences

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4. Which of the following portals have been made recently to track missing and found children in India?

- A. ChildFind
- B. TrackKids
- C. FindChild
- D. TrackChild

Answer: D

Explanation:

- The **Ministry of Women and Child Development** has developed a **web portal “TrackChild”** to track the missing and found children. The TrackChild Portal is implemented with the help of various stakeholders including Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Railways, State Governments/UT Administrations, Child Welfare Committees, Juvenile Justice Boards, National Legal Services Authority, etc. National Informatics Centre organises regular training programmes on Trackchild portal as per the requirement of the States/UTs.

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5. With reference to the Consolidated Fund of India, consider the following statements.

1. National Investment Fund is parked here
2. Government can take money out of it without parliamentary approval during emergencies.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Answer: D

Explanation:

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- **Statement 1 is incorrect: National Investment Fund** (money earned from disinvestment) is deposited in **Public Account of India**
- Besides the normal receipts and expenditure of Government which relate to the Consolidated Fund, certain other transactions enter Government Accounts, in respect of which Government acts more as a banker. Transactions relating to provident funds, small savings, other deposits, etc., are a few examples. The public monies thus received are kept in the Public Account set up under Article 266(2) of the Constitution and the connected disbursements are also made there from.
- Similarly, Receipt and disbursement in respect of certain transactions such as small savings, provident funds, reserve funds, deposits, suspense, remittances etc which do not form part of the Consolidated Fund of the state, are kept in the Public Account are not subject to vote by the State Legislature.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect: The government needs parliamentary approval** to withdraw money from Consolidated fund. Contingency Fund of India helps govt meet emergency expenses

<https://www.thehindu.com/business/centre-retained-11-lakh-cr-of-cess-receipts/article32680256.ece>

