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**1. Consider the following statements about UN Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)**

1. The proceedings are administered by the International Court of Justice if there is any dispute.
2. India is not a member of UNCITRAL

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:**

- **Statement 1 is incorrect:** The proceedings are administered by the **Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA)**.
- When problems arise in designating arbitrators for an arbitration under UNCITRAL arbitration rules (e.g. because one of the parties refuses to designate an arbitrator, or when the designated arbitrators are unable to agree on designation of a third arbitrator), the PCA Secretary-General may be requested to serve as an appointing authority.
- The International Court of Justice (ICJ), sometimes known as the World Court, is one of the six principal organs of the United Nations (UN). It settles disputes between states in accordance with international law and gives advisory opinions on international legal issues. The ICJ is the only international court that adjudicates general disputes between countries, with its rulings and opinions serving as primary sources of international law
- **Statement 2 is incorrect: India is a founding member of UNCITRAL.** India is only one of eight countries which have been a member of UNCITRAL since its inception.

<https://indianexpress.com/article/explained/retrospective-taxation-the-vodafone-case-and-the-hague-court-ruling-6613799/>

**2. Consider the following statements about Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay**

1. He was a classical vocalist like Pandit Jasraj
2. Government has started Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana strives to provide continuous power supply to rural India to commemorate him.

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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:**

- **Statement 1 is incorrect:** He is a **fundamental political thinker**, the key element was humanism in his political thought. Pandit Upadhyay is one of those thinkers in India who exercised on 'Swaraj of ideas'. Introduced the basic concept of Indian philosophy in political, social and cultural discourses
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana is a Government of India scheme designed to provide continuous power supply **to rural India**

<https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1659170>

3. "Fridays For Future(FFF)", a movement recently seen in news is related to

- A. Protection from domestic abuse
- B. Protection of Muslim minority from persecution
- C. Climate Change
- D. Employment for youth

Answer: C

**Explanation:**

- It is a movement that began in Sweden in August 2018 by Greta Thunberg to protest against the lack of action on the climate crisis.
- The hashtags #FridaysForFuture and #Climatestrike became so popular that many students and adults began to protest outside of their Parliaments and local city halls all over the world.

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/Delhi/fridays-for-future-holds-protest-outside-environment-ministry/article32699783.ece>

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4. Which among the following is/are correct regarding JIMEX

1. It is between India and Japan
2. It is conducted biennially between the Indian Army and Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force

Select the correct answer using the codes given below

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

Answer: A

#### Explanation:

- **Statement 1 is correct:** JIMEX is a Bilateral Maritime Exercise Between **Japan and India**
- **Statement 2 is incorrect :** It is conducted biennially between the **Indian Navy and Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF)**

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5. "Positive Pay System", a term recently seen in news refers to ?

- A. Removing Merchant Discount Rate
- B. Reducing cheque fraud
- C. Paying for an article in a later day
- D. Receiving incentives for digital transaction

Answer: B

#### Explanation:

- It is a **fraud detection tool adopted by banks to protect customers against forged, altered or counterfeit cheques.**
- It cross verifies all details of the issued cheque before funds are encashed by the beneficiary.
- It ensures that every high-value cheque valued at Rs 50,000 and above is crossed checked with details provided by the issuing party or the individual.

<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/economy/policy/positive-pay-system-for-cheque-payments-to-come-into-effect-from-january-1-2021-rbi/articleshow/78322892.cms>