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1. Which of the following statements about Harega desh jeetega campaign is/are correct?

- (a) Campaign to eliminate TB by the year 2025 against the global target of 2030
- (b) Campaign aimed at reducing child mortality due to pneumonia
- (c) Campaign aimed at bringing beneficiaries of PMAY (urban) into the fold of other central schemes
- (d) Campaign to encourage the birth and education of girl children

Answer: A

Explanation:

- **Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare** has launched a new campaign to end TB called the Harega Desh Jeetega Campaign along with the National TB Prevalence Survey.
- Multi-stakeholder and community participation will form the pivot of the countrywide campaign.
- The three strong pillars of the new program includes:
 - (i) clinical approach,**
 - (ii) public health component**
 - (iii) active community participation.**
- The new TB campaign aims to improve and expand the reach of TB care services across the country, by 2022.
- This includes preventive and promotive approaches, and proposes potentially transformative interventions such as engagement with private sector health care providers, inter-ministerial partnerships, corporate sector engagement, latent TB infection management, and community engagement.
- **This Campaign aims to eliminate TB by the year 2025 against the global target of 2030**

- **Option B refers to SAANS campaign.**
- **Option C refers to the Angikaar campaign.**

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- Option D refers to Beti Bachao Beti Padhao.

Why in the news?

Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare while digitally addressing the 33rd Stop TB Partnership Board meet, revealed how India's preparation for containing the COVID-19 Pandemic can be repurposed to eradicate TB by 2025.

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2. In the context of 'Swachh Bharat Mission(SBM)', Consider the following statements.

1. The aim of Swachh Bharat Mission is to achieve a clean and Open Defecation Free (ODF) India by 2nd October, 2019.
2. In the first step ,a gram panchayat declares a village to be ODF.
3. ODF plus status will at any point of the day, not a single person is found defecating and/or urinating in the open, AND all community and public toilets are functional and well maintained.

Select the correct answer using the given codes.

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

Answer:D

Explanation:

Statement 1 is correct.

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- Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) is a nation-wide campaign in India run by the Government of India.
- The mission aims to achieve an "open-defecation free" (ODF) India by 2 October 2019, the 150th anniversary of the birth of Mahatma Gandhi.

Statement 2 is correct.

The process of declaring ODF status is as follows,

- Once every household in the village has resolved to end the practice of open defecation and have constructed the necessary infrastructure for the same, a resolution is passed in the gram sabha to declare the village ODF.
- To keep track of the declaration, verification is carried out for the village by the state governments within 90 days of the declaration. At this stage, verification is done for each household in the village.
- ODF sustainability verification, which primarily focuses on toilet usage is also conducted after a period of 270 days.
- SBM ODF Plus protocol focuses on sustaining community/ public toilet usage by ensuring their functionality, cleanliness and maintenance.

ODF Definition

- "ODF is the termination of faecal-oral transmission, defined by
 - a) no visible faeces found in the environment/village; and
 - b) every household as well as public/community institutions using safe technology option for disposal of faeces
- A city / ward can be notified/declared as ODF city/ ODF ward if, at any point of the day, not a single person is found defecating in the open.

ODF +

- A city / ward / work circle¹ can be notified/declared as SBM ODF+ city/ SBM ODF+ ward/SBM ODF+ work circle if, at any point of the day, not a single person is found defecating and/or urinating in the open, and all community and public toilets are functional and well maintained. Hence **Statement 3 is correct.**

ODF ++

- A city / ward / work circle¹ can be notified/ declared as SBM ODF++ city/ SBM ODF++ ward/ SBM ODF++ work circle if, at any point of the day, not a single person is found defecating and/ or urinating in the open, all community and public toilets are functional and well maintained, And faecal sludge/septage and sewage is safely managed and treated, with

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no discharging and/or dumping of untreated faecal sludge/septage and sewage in drains, water bodies or open areas.

Why in the news?

- Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DDWS), Ministry of Jal Shakti is celebrating 'World Toilet Day' on November 19, 2020 under 'Swachh Bharat Mission - Grameen (SBMG)' for promoting awareness on access to Safe Sanitation and felicitating districts/states for making significant contribution towards Swachhata.

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3. With reference to the MGNREGA scheme in India, consider the following statements :

1. Ministry of Agriculture is monitoring the entire implementation of the scheme
2. Consumer Price Index-Combined (CPI-C) is used for MGNREGA wage revisions

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 **Ministry of Rural Development (MRD)**, is monitoring the entire implementation of this scheme in association with state governments.
- **Statement 2 is incorrect:** The wages are revised according to the Consumer Price Index-Agricultural Labourers (CPI-AL).
- The Labour Bureau has recently begun work to update the consumer price indices for agricultural labourers (CPI-AL) which determines MGNREGA wage revisions.

4. Certificate of Origin sometimes seen in news is related to which of the following?

- a) Geographical Indication (GI)
- b) Trade
- c) National Register of Citizens
- d) National Population Register

Ans-B

Explanation:

- A certificate of origin (CO) is a document declaring in which country a **commodity or good was manufactured.**
 - The certificate of origin **contains information regarding the product, its destination, and the country of export.**
 - India has 15 Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)/ Preferential Trade Agreements (PTAs) with various partner countries under which Indian exporters avail reduced import tariffs in the destination country.
 - In order to avail this benefit, the exporters must provide a preferential Certificate of Origin..
 - Required by many treaty agreements for cross-border trade, the CO is an important form because it can **help determine whether certain goods are eligible for import, or whether goods are subject to duties.**
- Hence Option B is correct.**

5. 'INSTEX', recently in the news is related to which of the following?

- a) A trade mechanism established by some European countries to circumvent US sanctions against trade with Iran.
- b) Currency swap agreement between India and Japan
- c) A mechanism on exchange of goods and services recently adopted by the World Trade Organization (WTO).
- d) Policy to encourage Indian textile industry to cater to the domestic and international markets efficiently

Answer: A

Explanation:

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- A trade mechanism '**Instrument in Support of Trade Exchanges (INSTEX)**' that was established by France, Germany and the United Kingdom to allow European entities to maintain trade with Iran.
- The mechanism has been designed to circumvent U.S. sanctions against trade with Iran by avoiding the use of the dollar.
- The United States imposed sanctions, after it withdrew from the **Iran nuclear deal**, known as the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), in 2018

Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA):

JCPOA is also known as the "Iran deal" or "Iran nuclear deal". The deal was made in July 2015. It is an agreement on Iran's nuclear program made between Iran, the P5+1 (the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council—China, France, Russia, United Kingdom, United States—plus Germany) and the European Union. JCPOA **limits Iran's uranium enrichment programme** until 2030 and contains monitoring and transparency measures that will remain in place long after that date.

