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1. Simlipal tiger reserve is the only tiger habitat in the world to have melanistic tigers. In which state of India is this tiger reserve located?

- A. Jharkhand
- B. West Bengal
- C. Odisha
- D. Maharashtra

2. Consider the following statements.

- 1. In the event of the President's rule in a state, the state legislature automatically gets dissolved.
- 2. President's rule can be imposed in a state only in the event of constitutional breakdown in the state.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. Only one
- B. Only two
- C. All the three
- D. None of the above

3. The main objective of the Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA) is to

- A. To provide free education to girls
- B. To offer health insurance to pregnant women
- C. To ensure comprehensive and quality antenatal care to pregnant women
- D. To promote gender equality in workplaces

4. Consider the following statements about Mission Vatsalya

- 1) It aims to deliver services for Children in Need of Care and Protection (CNCPC) and Children in Conflict with Law (CCL).
- 2) It is a central sector scheme where 100 percent funding is from the central government.

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

5. The "Lakshpati Didi" scheme is associated with which of the following missions or programs?

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- A. Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM)
- B. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA)
- C. Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY)
- D. Swachh Bharat Mission

Solutions:

1. Answer: C

Explanation:

- The National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) has approved the **world's first melanistic tiger safari near Similipal tiger reserve of Odisha. Hence, option C is correct.**
- **Similipal tiger reserve is the only tiger habitat in the world to have melanistic tigers.**

2. Answer: A

Explanation:

- President's rule(Art 356) can be imposed in a state only on the grounds of breakdown of constitutional machinery. Administrative breakdown cannot be a ground for imposing President's rule. **Hence, statement 2 is correct.**
- During the President's rule, the State assembly can be dissolved or suspended based on the circumstances. There is no provision of automatic dissolution. S.R.Bomma judgement had clarified this position. **Hence, statement 1 is incorrect.**

3. Answer: C

Explanation

- The **Ministry of Health & Family Welfare** launched "Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan" (PMSMA) with an aim to **provide fixed-day, free of cost, assured, comprehensive and quality antenatal care universally to all pregnant women** in their 2nd / 3rd trimesters of pregnancy at designated government health facilities.
- Launched in 2016, PMSMA envisages to improve the quality and coverage of Antenatal Care (ANC) including diagnostics and counseling services as part of the **Reproductive Maternal Neonatal Child and Adolescent Health (RMNCH+A) Strategy.**
- One of the key focus areas of PMSMA is to generate demand through Information Education & Communication (IEC), Interpersonal Communication (IPC) and Behavior Change Communication (BCC) activities.
- Extensive use of audio-visual and print media in raising mass awareness is an integral part of the IEC/BCC campaign.

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- Auxiliary Nurse Midwife (ANM), Accredited Social Health Activist (ASHA) and Anganwadi Worker (AWW) play a pivotal role in mobilization of the community and potential beneficiaries in **both rural and urban areas** for availing of services during the PMSMA.

4. Answer: A

Explanation

- The **Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 (JJ Act)** is the primary law for care and protection of children in the country.
- As per the JJ Act, a child who does not have parents and no one is willing to take care of and protect or who is abandoned or surrendered is included as a “child in need of care and protection.”
- The Act provides a **security net of service delivery structures** including measures for institutional and non-institutional care to ensure comprehensive well-being of children in distress situations.

About the Mission Vatsalya scheme

- **Statement 1 is correct and statement 2 is incorrect:** Mission Vatsalya scheme is a **Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS)** which is implemented through States/Union Territories (UTs) to **deliver services for Children in Need of Care and Protection (CNCP) and Children in Conflict with Law (CCL)** which include Institutional Care and Non-Institutional Care.
- The fund sharing pattern is in the ratio of 60:40 for all States and UTs with legislature except the North-Eastern States and Hilly States - Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand and UT of Jammu & Kashmir, where the cost of sharing is 90:10. In Union Territory without a legislature, the cost is 100 % on the Central Government.
- Under the scheme, **Institutional Care** is provided through Child Care Institutes (CCIs), as a **rehabilitative measure**.
- The programmes and activities in Homes inter-alia include age-appropriate education, access to vocational training, recreation, health care, counseling etc.
- Under the **Non-Institutional Care component**, support is extended for **Adoption, Foster Care, After Care and Sponsorship**.
- Further Mission Vatsalya also provides for “**After care**” services after the age of 18 years to help sustain them during the transition from institutional to independent life.
- The primary responsibility of execution of the Act and implementation of Scheme lies with the States/UTs.

5. Answer: A

Explanation

- Lakhpati Didi scheme under the **Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM)** aims to **encourage women to start micro-enterprises**. It was announced in 2023.
 - *DAY-NRLM is a flagship poverty alleviation program implemented by the Ministry of Rural Development.*

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- *Launched in 2011, it aims to reduce poverty by enabling the poor household to **access gainful self-employment and skilled wage employment opportunities** resulting in sustainable and diversified livelihood options for the poor.*
- The scheme aims to **train women in self-help groups and enable them to earn an income of at least Rs 1 lakh per annum per household.**
- Each SHG household is encouraged to take up multiple livelihood activities coupled with value chain interventions, resulting in a sustainable income of Rs 1 lakh or more in a year.
- During the Interim Budget 2024, the Government of India decided to **enhance the target for Lakhpati Didi to 3 crore households** from the existing 2 crore.

Why in News?

- Under DAY-NRLM, 10.05 crore women have been mobilized into 90.86 Lakhs Self Help Groups (SHGs).
- Out of these SHG members, more than 1 crore SHG members have the annual income of more than Rs. 1 Lakh, i.e., they are Lakhpati Didis.

