



Daily MCQ: 24.07.2026

1) Consider the following statements with reference to the 'Kusha' Missile:

1. The Kusha Missile is a long-range Surface-to-Air Missile (SAM) system developed under India's indigenous air defence programme.
2. Project Kusha is also known as the Extended Range Air Defence System (ERADS) and is being developed as a three-tier interceptor missile system.
3. The Kusha Missile system is designed to integrate with India's Integrated Air Command & Control System (IACCS) for network-centric air defence operations.

Which one of the following conclusions based on the above statements is correct?

- (a) All three statements are correct.
- (b) There is no correct statement.
- (c) There are two correct statements that include statement 3.
- (d) There is only one correct statement.

2) Consider the following statements about Article 19 of the Constitution of India:

- I. The applicability of the freedoms guaranteed under Article 19 is linked to constitutional status rather than mere residence within India.
- II. The enforceability of these freedoms during a National Emergency depends upon the constitutional basis on which such Emergency has been proclaimed.

Which of the following information support/supports the above statements?

1. Certain Fundamental Rights are expressly reserved for citizens.
2. Article 358 does not operate uniformly for every Proclamation of National Emergency.
3. A National Emergency proclaimed on the ground of Armed Rebellion does not automatically suspend the freedoms guaranteed under Article 19.

Select the answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 1 and 3 only

3) Q. Consider the following statements with reference to Fast Track Courts (FTCs) in India:

1. Fast Track Courts are established by the States/UTs in consultation with the respective High Courts.
2. The 14th Finance Commission recommended setting up 1,800 Fast Track Courts during 2015–2020.
3. Ordinary Fast Track Courts are presently funded under a Centrally Sponsored Scheme.

Which one of the following conclusions based on the above statements is correct?

- (a) All three statements are correct.
- (b) There is no correct statement.
- (c) There are two correct statements that include Statement 2.
- (d) There is only one correct statement.

4) Consider the following statements regarding the Aditya-L1 mission:



1. Aditya-L1 is India's first dedicated space-based mission to study the Sun and operates in a halo orbit around the Sun–Earth L1 point.
2. Aditya-L1 carries both remote sensing and in-situ scientific payloads.
3. The primary objective of Aditya-L1 is to directly image the far side of the Sun that is not visible from the Earth.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3

5. A nationalist leader believed that modern education was essential for political awakening and therefore co-founded an educational society in western India that later established Fergusson College. During imprisonment in Mandalay, he wrote a famous commentary on the Bhagavad Gita, emphasizing Karma Yoga (selfless action). He also authored a work proposing that the Aryans originated in the Arctic region. To mobilize the masses against colonial rule, he transformed Ganesh Utsav and Shivaji Jayanti into public festivals and later founded the Indian Home Rule League in 1916.

Who is this personality?

- (a) Gopal Krishna Gokhale
- (b) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- (c) Bipin Chandra Pal
- (d) Lala Lajpat Rai

Explanation

1) Answer: (A)

- The **Kusha Missile** is an indigenous long-range **Surface-to-Air Missile (SAM)** system developed by the **Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO)** under **Project Kusha**, aimed at strengthening India's future air defence capabilities. It is also referred to as the **Extended Range Air Defence System (ERADS)** and is planned as a three-tier architecture comprising **M1, M2 and M3 interceptor missiles** with engagement ranges of approximately **150 km, 250 km and 350–400 km**, respectively.
- The system is designed to counter a wide range of aerial threats, including fighter aircraft, missiles, unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) and large enemy aircraft. It will be integrated with the **Integrated Air Command & Control System (IACCS)** to enable network-centric air defence operations. **Therefore, all three statements are correct.**
- **Hence, option A is the correct answer.**

2) Answer: (C)

"The applicability of the freedoms guaranteed under Article 19 is linked to constitutional status rather than mere residence within India."



- **Explanation:** Article 19 guarantees six basic freedoms (speech, assembly, association, movement, residence, and profession). However, these rights are available **only to citizens of India**, not to foreigners or non-citizens living in/residing in India. Citizenship is a specific **constitutional status** (governed by Part II of the Constitution). Therefore, mere residence does not grant these rights—one must hold the status of a citizen.
- **Supporting Information: 1** ("**Certain Fundamental Rights are expressly reserved for citizens.**") directly supports Statement 1.

"The enforceability of these freedoms during a National Emergency depends upon the constitutional basis on which such Emergency has been proclaimed."

- **Explanation:** Under Article 352, a National Emergency can be proclaimed on three grounds: **War, External Aggression, or Armed Rebellion**.
- According to **Article 358** (as amended by the 44th Constitutional Amendment Act, 1978):
 - Article 19 is automatically suspended **only** when a National Emergency is declared on the grounds of **War or External Aggression** (External Emergency).
 - If the Emergency is proclaimed on the ground of **Armed Rebellion** (Internal Emergency), Article 19 is **not** automatically suspended.
- Thus, Article 358 does not apply uniformly—its operation depends entirely on the specific constitutional ground/basis of the Emergency declaration.
- **Supporting Information:**
 - **2** ("**Article 358 does not operate uniformly for every Proclamation of National Emergency.**") directly supports Statement 2.
 - **3** ("**A National Emergency proclaimed on the ground of Armed Rebellion does not automatically suspend the freedoms guaranteed under Article 19.**") is the precise rule explaining *why* enforceability depends on the grounds of the Emergency.
- Statement 1 is supported by **1**.
- Statement 2 is supported by **2** and **3**.
- Therefore, **all three points (1, 2, and 3)** support the given statements.
- **Therefore, option C is the correct answer.**

3) Answer: (C)

- Statement 1 is Correct: Fast Track Courts (FTCs) are established by the **States/UTs in consultation with the respective High Courts**, based on their requirements and availability of resources.
- Statement 2 is Correct: **The 14th Finance Commission** recommended setting up **1,800 Fast Track Courts during 2015–2020** for the speedy disposal of specified categories of cases.
- Statement 3 is Incorrect: **Ordinary Fast Track Courts are not funded** under a Centrally Sponsored Scheme. **Only Fast Track Special Courts (FTSCs) receive Central assistance for the time-bound trial of rape and POCSO cases.**

Therefore, Statements 1 and 2 are correct while Statement 3 is incorrect. Hence, **option (C) is the correct answer.**



4) Answer: (A)

● **Statement 1 is Correct**

- **Aditya-L1 is India's first dedicated space-based mission to study the Sun.**
- It operates in a **halo orbit around the Sun–Earth L1 (Lagrange Point 1)**, about **1.5 million km from Earth towards the Sun**, enabling continuous observation of the Sun.

● **Statement 2 is Correct**

- Aditya-L1 carries **seven scientific payloads**, comprising **both remote sensing and in-situ instruments**.
- The remote sensing payloads study the **Sun's photosphere, chromosphere and corona**, while the in-situ payloads measure the **solar wind, energetic particles and interplanetary magnetic field**.

● **Statement 3 is Incorrect**

- Aditya-L1 is **not designed to image the far side of the Sun**.
- Its primary objectives are to study the **solar atmosphere, solar wind, Coronal Mass Ejections (CMEs), solar energetic particles, and space weather** by continuously observing the **Earth-facing side of the Sun from the L1 point**.

● **Therefore, Option A is the correct answer.**

5) Answer: (B)

Co-founder of the **Deccan Education Society (1884)** and associated with **Fergusson College**.

Author of **Gita Rahasya (1915)**, written in **Mandalay Jail**, emphasizing **Karma Yoga**.

Author of **The Arctic Home in the Vedas (1903)**.

Founder of the **Indian Home Rule League (1916)**.

Popularised **Sarvajanik Ganeshotsav** and **Shivaji Jayanti** as instruments of nationalist mobilisation.

Known as "**Lokmanya**" **Tilak** and one of the leaders of the **Extremist (Nationalist) wing** of the Indian National Congress.