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1. 'Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana' is an initiative of which ministry?

- (a) Ministry of Women and Child Development
- (b) Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
- (c) Ministry of AYUSH
- (d) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

Answer - (b)

Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP)

- **PMBJP** was launched by the Department of Pharmaceuticals in the year 2008 as 'Jan Aushadhi Abhiyan'.
- This Abhiyan was renamed as '**PMBJP**' in the year 2015-16.
- **Bureau of Pharma PSUs of India (BPPI)** (Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers) is the implementing agency for PMBJP.

## Additional Knowledge:

### Jan Aushadhi Kendra

- Jan Aushadhi Kendras make **quality generic medicines available** to everyone.
- The Bureau of Pharma PSUs in India (BPPI) supports Jan Aushadhi Kendras as a part of the 'Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Pariyojana'.
- The government has set a **target** to increase the number of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) to **10,500 by the end of March 2025**.
- The product portfolio of PMBJP includes **1451 medicines and 240 surgical devices**.
- In addition, new medicines and nutraceutical products such as **protein powder, malt-based food supplements, protein bars, immunity bars,**

	<p>sanitizers, masks, glucometers, oximeters, etc. have been launched.</p>
<p>2. "Its acronym is Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing. It serves as the National Digital Infrastructure for Teachers."</p> <p>The above statement refers to -</p> <p>(a) Diksha App</p> <p>(b) e-NAM App</p> <p>(c) e-Sanjeevani App</p> <p>(d) DigiBunai App</p>	<p>Answer - (a)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diksha App</b> - It is an acronym for <b>Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing</b>. It serves as the National Digital Infrastructure for Teachers.</li> </ul> <p><u>Additional Knowledge:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>eNAM</b> - It was launched on April 14, 2016 as a pan-India electronic trading portal linking Agricultural Produce Market Committees (APMCs) across states.</li> <li>• <b>eSanjeevani</b> - It is a telemedicine service platform of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.</li> <li>• <b>DigiBunai</b> - It helps weavers to create digital artwork and develop designs for sarees to be loaded on the loom. DigiBunai is the first of its kind open source software for <b>jacquard and dobby weaving</b>.</li> </ul>
<p>3. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM)':</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This scheme is a modified form of 'Nirmal Bharat Programme'.</li> <li>2. This campaign was formally launched on 2 October 2014 on the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.</li> </ol> <p>Which of the above statements is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) Only 2</p> <p>(b) Neither 1 nor 2</p>	<p>Answer - (c)</p> <p><b>Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This scheme is a modified form of '<b>Nirmal Bharat Program</b>'.</li> <li>• It was formally launched on <b>2 October 2014</b> on the birth anniversary of <b>Mahatma Gandhi</b>.</li> <li>• Under this, the government is working to <b>provide toilet and sanitation facilities to rural and remote areas</b>.</li> </ul>

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Only 1

- This also includes creating awareness among the public for cleanliness, for clean roads and streets, for removal of encroachment.
- The urban component of this mission is implemented by the 'Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs' and the rural component is implemented by the 'Ministry of Jal Shakti'.

Additional Knowledge:

**Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan**

- The **Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan** was launched by the government in the year 1999.
- It is also known as the **Total Sanitation Campaign**.
- The main objective of this scheme was to **improve the sanitation conditions in the rural areas of the country**.
- Through this, the concept of sanitation was expanded to personal hygiene, household hygiene, clean drinking water, garbage disposal, excreta disposal and waste disposal.
- Presently Nirmal Bharat Abhiyan is implemented in the form of **Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM)**.

4. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Make in India' programme:

1. It was launched in the year 2015.
2. This campaign focuses only on the service sector of India's economy.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

(a) Only 2

(b) Both 1 and 2

(c) Only 1

Answer - (d)

**Make in India Initiative**

- Launched in 2014, Make in India aims to transform the country into a leading global manufacturing and investment destination.
- It is led by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India.

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

- The initiative is an open invitation to potential investors and partners from across the world to participate in the growth story of 'New India'.
- Make in India has achieved substantial milestones in 27 sectors. These include the strategic sectors of manufacturing and services.

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Four pillars of 'Make in India' initiative**

**New processes**

- Make in India recognises '**Ease of Doing Business**' as the single most important factor to promote entrepreneurship, for which several initiatives have already been taken. **It aims to de-license and deregulate the sector throughout the business cycle.**

**New Infrastructure**

- To expand the sector, the government plans to build industrial corridors, upgrade existing infrastructure and provide a quick registration process.

**New Sectors**

- Make in India has identified 27 industries for manufacturing, infrastructure and service activities and is providing comprehensive information through an interactive web page and pamphlets.

**New Thinking**

- The Make in India initiative fundamentally seeks to change the way the government works with business.

5. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana':

Answer - (a)

1. It was launched in the year 2016.
2. It aims to develop a comprehensive infrastructure of street lights in rural areas.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Neither 1 nor 2
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Only 2

#### Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana

- It was launched in **May 2016** to provide '**Liquefied Petroleum Gas**' (LPG) connections to poor families.
- Under this scheme, the target was to issue 8 crore LPG connections to underprivileged families by the year 2020. This target was achieved in August 2019, seven months before the deadline of March 2020.
- In **August 2021**, the Prime Minister launched the second phase of 'Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana' (PMUY) or '**Ujjwala 2.0 Yojana**'.

#### Additional Knowledge:

##### PM Surya Ghar Free Electricity Scheme

- On **February 13, 2024**, the Prime Minister of India announced the **PM Surya Ghar Free Electricity Scheme** to provide free electricity.
- In this scheme, the Central Government will provide 300 units of **free electricity per month to the beneficiaries** by investing **Rs 75,000 crore**.
- Its target is to **illuminate one crore houses**.
- Under this scheme, urban local bodies and panchayats will be encouraged to **promote rooftop solar systems in their jurisdiction**.
- Under this scheme, the central government will provide subsidies to the people directly in their **bank accounts and ensure concessional bank loan availability**.
- Under this scheme, all stakeholders will be integrated with **a national online portal**.

6. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Atal Pension Yojana':

Answer - (c)

Atal Pension Yojana

1. The Government of India launched it in the year 2015.
2. Any person between the age of 18 to 40 years can join this scheme.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- (a) Only 1  
(b) Neither 1 nor 2  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Only 2

- The Government of India launched it in the year 2015.
- This scheme is administered by the 'Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority' through the National Pension System (NPS).
- Under this scheme, after making the prescribed contribution, a guaranteed monthly pension of Rs 1,000 to Rs 5,000 is available after the age of 60 years.
- Any person between the age of 18 to 40 years can join this scheme.

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority**

- It is a statutory authority established by an Act of Parliament to regulate, promote and ensure the orderly development of the National Pension System (NPS).
- It functions under the Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance.
- On August 23, 2003, the Interim Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) was established through a resolution by the Government of India to promote, develop and regulate the pension sector in India.
- The Contributory Pension System was notified by the Government of India on December 22, 2003, now named as National Pension System (NPS) from January 1, 2004.
- The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority Act was passed on September 19, 2013. And it was notified on February 1, 2014.

7. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana' (SSY) scheme:

1. It is a government savings scheme which was launched under the initiative 'Beti Bachao – Beti Padhao'.
2. Parents or guardians of a girl child aged 10 years or above can open an account under this scheme.
3. Under this, only one girl child of a family is provided benefit.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

Answer - (a)

#### Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana (SSY) Scheme

- Launched in the year 2016, 'Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana' is a central government scheme aimed at meeting the needs of girl children such as education and marriage.
- It is a government savings scheme that was launched under the initiative 'Beti Bachao - Beti Padhao'.
- Parents or guardians of a girl child aged 10 years or below can open an account under this scheme.

#### Eligibility Criteria

- This account can be **opened by the parents or legal guardians of the girl child.**
- **The girl child must be below 10 years of age.**
- **Only one account is allowed for a girl child.**
- A family can open only **2 SSY scheme accounts.**

#### Additional Knowledge:

##### 'Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao' Scheme

- It was launched in **January 2015** with the aim of addressing sex selective abortion and falling child sex ratio.
- It is a joint initiative of the **Ministry of Women and Child Development, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Ministry of Education.**

#### Main objectives

- To prevent gender based selection.
- To ensure the survival and safety of girl children.

- To ensure proper arrangements for education and participation of girl children.
- To protect the rights of girl children.

**8. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana':**

1. The Government of India launched the Skill India Mission in the year 2015, under which this scheme has been mainly run.
2. The 'National Skill Development Corporation' is the implementing agency of this scheme.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Both 1 and 2
- (c) Only 2
- (d) Neither 1, nor 2

**Answer - (b)**

**Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)**

- The **Skill India Mission** was launched by the government in the year 2015, under which the **Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)** has been run prominently.
- Its objective is to **train more than 40 crore people in India in various skills by the year 2022** and to provide vocational training and certification to Indian youth for better livelihood and respect in the society.
- **PMKVY** is implemented by the **National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)** under the guidance of the **Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE)**.

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Startup India Initiative**

- The **Startup India initiative** envisages the creation of a strong startup ecosystem in the country to promote innovation and provide opportunities to emerging entrepreneurs.
- Under this initiative, an **action plan of 19 action points** was unveiled by the Prime Minister in January 2016.
- This action plan laid down the roadmap for creating a favorable ecosystem for startups in India.
- The Startup India initiative provides support to startups through flagship schemes such as **Fund**



	<p>of Funds for Startups (FFS), SISFS and Credit Guarantee Scheme for Startups (CGSS) at various stages of their business cycle.</p>
<p><b>9. Under which has 'Atal Innovation Mission' been established?</b></p> <p>(a) Department of Science and Technology</p> <p>(b) Ministry of Labor and Employment</p> <p>(c) NITI Aayog</p> <p>(d) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship</p>	<p>Answer - (c)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The 'Atal Innovation Mission' (AIM) was set up by NITI Aayog with the objective of creating and encouraging an environment of innovation and entrepreneurship in schools, educational organizations, research institutes and industries including MSMEs.</li> </ul> <p><u>Additional Knowledge:</u></p> <p><b>NITI Aayog</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As a successor to the erstwhile <b>Planning Commission</b>, a new institution called <b>NITI Aayog (National Institution for Transformation)</b> was established on 1 January 2015.</li> <li>Similar to the Planning Commission, NITI Aayog was established by an <b>executive resolution of the Government of India</b>.</li> <li>The Prime Minister of India is the <b>ex-officio Chairperson of NITI Aayog</b>.</li> </ul>
<p><b>10. Consider the following statements with reference to 'PM Vishwakarma Yojana':</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This scheme has been launched by the Government of India in 2020.</li> <li>This scheme provides formal training for upgradation and modernization of traditional skills amid changing economic scenarios.</li> </ol>	<p>Answer -(d)</p> <p><b>PM Vishwakarma Yojana</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This scheme was launched by the Government of India on <b>17 September 2023</b>.</li> <li>This scheme has been announced with the aim of providing <b>skill-upgradation training and support to artisans and craftsmen</b>.</li> </ul>

<p>Which of the above statements is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) Both 1 and 2</p> <p>(b) Neither 1, nor 2</p> <p>(c) Only 1</p> <p>(d) Only 2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This scheme provides formal training for upgrading and modernising traditional skills amid the changing economic scenario.</li> <li>• Financial assistance is also provided under this scheme and “market linkage” opportunities are provided for individuals working in 18 occupations and crafts.</li> <li>• The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises is the nodal ministry for this scheme.</li> </ul> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p><b>Additional Knowledge:</b></p> <p><b>Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This is a scheme launched on 8 April 2015 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister to provide loans up to <b>Rs 10 lakh</b>.</li> <li>• Under this, loans are given to non-corporate, non-agricultural small/micro enterprises. These loans are <b>classified as Mudra loans under PMMY</b>. These loans are offered by commercial banks, RRBs, Small Finance Banks, MFIs and NBFCs.</li> <li>• <b>Mudra loans</b> are available in three categories. For small businesses loans up to ₹50,000/- are available under the '<b>Shishu</b>' category, loans above ₹50,000 and up to ₹5 lakh are available under the '<b>Kishore</b>' category. Apart from this, it also offers loans above ₹5 lakh and up to ₹10 lakh under the <b>Tarun</b> category.</li> </ul> </div>
<p><b>11. What is the slogan of 'Soil Health Card Scheme' launched in the year 2015?</b></p> <p>(a) Healthy land, green fields</p> <p>(b) Water for every field</p> <p>(c) Our farming, our health</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Answer - (a)</li> <li>• On February 19, 2015, the nationwide 'National Soil Health Card' scheme was launched at Suratgarh in Sri Ganganagar district of Rajasthan.</li> </ul>

(d) Prosperous farmers, pride of India

- The main objective of this scheme is to assist the states in providing soil health cards to farmers across the country.
- The theme of this scheme is - Healthy Earth, Green Fields.

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF)**

- Under the **Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan**, an '**Agriculture Infrastructure Fund**' of Rs 1 lakh crore was created in July 2020.
- It is a **medium-long term loan financing facility for investment** in community agricultural assets and sustainable projects of post-harvest agricultural management through **credit guarantee and interest subsidy**.

**12. Consider the following statements:**

1. Central sector schemes are usually based on subjects in the Union List and are formulated by the Centre.
2. 'Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana' is an example of a central sector scheme.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Neither 1, nor 2
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Only 2

**Answer - (c)**

**Central Sector Schemes**

- Central Sector Schemes are based on the subjects of the Union List and they are formulated by the Centre.
- These schemes are designed, planned and fully funded by the Central Government.
- Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana, Khelo India Yojana are some examples of Central Sector Schemes.

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Centrally Sponsored Scheme**

- Centrally Sponsored Schemes are those which are partially **funded by both the Centre and the State.**
- It is basically a means used by the Central Government to provide **financial assistance to the States in operating their schemes.**
- A certain percentage of funds in these schemes are provided by the States, while the **majority of it is provided by the Centre.**
- **The ratio of States' participation varies from State to State.**
- **The implementation of these depends on the Union Territories and States.**

13. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana':

1. It is a one-year accident insurance scheme which is renewed every year.
2. Under this scheme, an accident insurance cover of Rs 10 lakh is provided at an annual premium of Rs 312.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Neither 1 nor 2
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Only 2

Answer - (a)

**Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana**

- This scheme was launched on **8 May 2015.**
- This is a **one-year accident insurance scheme** which is renewed every year and provides insurance coverage for death or disability due to accidents.
- This scheme is for those people in the **age group of 18 to 70 years**, who have an account in any bank from which premium is collected through auto-debit facility.
- Under Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana, accident insurance cover of **Rs 2 lakh is provided at an annual premium of Rs 20** and the insurance amount is paid in case of death in an accident.

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana**

- This is a life insurance scheme run with the support of the government.
- Under this, an **insurance cover of Rs 2 lakh** is available to Indian citizens between **18 years to 50 years** at an annual premium of just **Rs 436**.
- It was launched by the Prime Minister on **9 May 2015**.

**14. In which year was the certificate scheme called 'Kisan Vikas Patra' originally launched?**

- (a) In the year 1988
- (b) In the year 1994
- (c) In the year 1999
- (d) In the year 2003

**Answer - (a)**

**Kisan Vikas Patra**

- This is a **certificate scheme**, which was first launched by 'India Post' in the year **1988**. It was **relaunched in the year 2014**.
- Its main objective is to encourage **long-term financial discipline among people**. As per the latest update, the duration of this scheme is **now 115 months (9 years and 5 months)**.
- In this, a certificate is also issued in the name of a **single person or joint name**, which can be used in order to take a loan

**Additional Knowledge:**

- 'Dak Karmayogi' is an e-learning platform aimed at increasing the efficiency of about **4 lakh rural postal workers and employees of the postal department in the country**. This portal has been developed 'in-house' under the concept of Mission Karmayogi.
- 'Meghdoot Award' is a **national level award** given by India Post to the top performing employees in the postal department.

- This award was instituted in **the year 1984** with the aim to **recognize and encourage the outstanding performance of employees.**

**15. Consider the following statements with reference to 'HRIDYA Yojana':**

1. This scheme was launched in the year 2016.
2. This scheme was launched by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only 2
- (b) Both 1 and 2
- (c) Only 1
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer - (d)**

- The Ministry of Urban Development of the Central Government launched the **National Heritage City Development and Augmentation Scheme (HRIDYA)** on **21 January 2015.**
- The aim of this scheme is to **conserve and restore historical buildings across the country.**

**Additional Knowledge:**

- The full name of the **AMRUT scheme** is **Atal Mission of Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT).** This scheme was launched in **500 cities** on **25 June 2015.** **Piped water supply, sewerage and septage management in cities is the main objective of this mission.**

**16. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana':**

1. It is an initiative of the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India.
2. It was launched to promote rural livelihoods.
3. Recently, it has completed 30 years of its successful implementation.

**How many of the above statements are correct?**

- (a) Only one

**Answer - (b)**

- Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana
- It is one of the initiatives taken by the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India to promote rural livelihoods.
- It was launched on '25 September 2014' by Union Ministers Nitin Gadkari and Venkaiah Naidu.
- Under this, employment opportunities will be given to rural youth between 18 years to 35 years.

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Antyodaya Day**

<p>(b) Only two</p> <p>(c) All three</p> <p>(d) None</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Every year <b>25 September</b> is celebrated as <b>Antyodaya Day</b> to mark the birth anniversary of <b>Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya</b>, one of the great thinkers and philosophers of the nationalist movement of the country.</li> <li>• The Government of India <b>first announced it in 2014</b> with the '<b>Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana</b>'.</li> <li>• Antyodaya means - "<b>upliftment of the poorest person</b>" and the aim of this day is to reach the person standing at the last end.</li> </ul>
<p><b>17. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding 'SVAMITVA Yojana'?</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. It is an initiative of the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India.</li> <li>2. It aims to demarcate residential areas in rural areas through latest survey drone-technology.</li> </ol> <p><b>Which of the above statements is/are correct?</b></p> <p>(a) Only 1</p> <p>(b) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>(c) Only 2</p> <p>(d) Both 1 and 2</p>	<p><b>Answer - (c)</b></p> <p><b>SVAMITVA Scheme</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The full form of <b>SVAMITVA</b> is '<b>Survey of Villages and Mapping with Improved Technology in Village Areas</b>'.</li> <li>• This central scheme of the <b>Ministry of Panchayati Raj</b> was launched at the national level by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on <b>National Panchayati Raj Day, 24th April, 2021</b> after the successful completion of the pilot phase (2020-2021) of the scheme in 9 states.</li> <li>• The aim of this scheme is to give <b>ownership rights of their residential land to the people in the villages of the country</b>.</li> <li>• This scheme will help in making the villagers self-reliant. This scheme will pave the way for using the property as a financial resource for taking loans and other financial benefits on behalf of the villagers, like in urban areas.</li> <li>• It aims to <b>demarcate residential areas in rural areas through the latest survey drone-technology</b>.</li> </ul>

**Additional Knowledge:**

**UDAY Scheme**

- The Ujwal Discoms Assurance Yojana or 'UDAY' was launched by the **Ministry of Power, Government of India** on **05 November 2015**.
- It was launched to **improve the financial and operational efficiency of Discoms**.

**UDAY scheme has the following four objectives –**

- Improvement in operational efficiency of power distribution companies.
- Reduction in cost of power.
- Reduction in interest cost of distribution companies.
- Enforce financial discipline on Discoms through coordination with the State Finance Commission.

**18. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana':**

1. It was launched by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India in 2014-15.
2. The scheme aims to give ownership rights of their residential land to the people in the villages of the country.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Neither 1 nor 2
- (c) Only 2
- (d) Both 1 and 2

**Answer - (b)**

**Deen Dayal SPARSH Scheme**

- It was launched on **November 3, 2017** by the then **Minister of State for Telecommunications (Independent Charge) Manoj Sinha**.
- Its objective is to **promote interest in postage stamps and encourage research work in this field**.
- This is a **scholarship scheme** related to the Department of Posts.
- Sparsh full form of **SPARSH - Scholarship for Promotion of Aptitude and Research in Stamps as a Hobby** is "Scholarship for Promotion of Aptitude and Research in Stamps as a Hobby".

**Additional Knowledge:**



#### Swadesh Darshan Scheme

- This scheme is a **100% centrally funded scheme**, which was launched in 2014-15 by the **Ministry of Tourism and Culture, Government of India**.
- **15 thematic circuits have been identified under this scheme** - Buddhist Circuit, Coastal Circuit, Desert Circuit, Eco Circuit, Heritage Circuit, Himalayan Circuit, Krishna Circuit, North-East Circuit, Ramayana Circuit, Rural Circuit, Spiritual Circuit, Sufi Circuit, Tirthankara Circuit, Tribal Circuit, Wildlife Circuit.
- **'Mahabharata Circuit'** is not one of the 15 thematic circuits under this scheme.

19. Arrange the following scheme/programmes in chronological order according to their starting year:

1. Community Development Programme
2. High Yield Varieties Programme
3. National Agricultural Research Project
4. Indira Awas Yojna

**Codes:**

- (a) 1, 2, 3, 4  
(b) 2, 1, 3, 4  
(c) 2, 3, 1, 4  
(d) 1, 3, 2, 4

**Answer -(a)**

**Scheme/Programme - Year of launch**

- Community Development Programme - **1952**
- High Yield Diversification Programme - **1966**
- National Agricultural Research Project - **1979**
- Indira Awas Yojna - **1985**

#### Additional Knowledge:

- **'Community Development Programme'** was launched on 2nd October 1952. The main objective of this programme was to bring an **integrated development in the rural society**, covering all aspects of people's lives.
- **The High Yield Diversification Programme (HYYP)**, which had as its goal the **achievement of food self-sufficiency by 1970-1971**, was introduced in the **Kharif season of 1966-1967**. The main goal of the programme was to boost food

grain productivity by using the latest agricultural input types.

20. Arrange the following scheme/programmes in chronological order according to their starting year:

1. National Drinking Water Mission
2. Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana
3. Jawahar Rozgar Yojana
4. Watershed Development Programme

**Codes:**

- (a) 2, 1, 3, 4
- (b) 1, 3, 2, 4
- (c) 1, 2, 3, 4
- (d) 2, 3, 1, 4

**Answer - (b)**

**Scheme/Programme - Year of launch**

- National Drinking Water Mission - **1986**
- Jawahar Rozgar Yojana - **1989**
- Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana - **1993**
- Watershed Development Programme - **1994-95**

**Additional Knowledge:**

- The Central Government launched the scheme in **1986 as National Drinking Water Mission**, later renamed as **Rajiv Gandhi National Drinking Water Mission (RGNDWM)** in 1991.
- **Jawahar Rozgar Yojana** was launched in 1989 by the **Rajiv Gandhi government**. It was implemented by merging the **National Rural Employment Programme and Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme**.
- **The Pradhan Mantri Rozgar Yojana** was launched on **2 October 1993** with the objective of providing self-employment opportunities to unemployed youth.

21. Arrange the following scheme/programme in chronological order according to their starting year:

1. Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana
2. Swarn Jayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana
3. Food for Work Scheme

**Answer - (c)**

**Scheme/Programme - Year of launch**

- Swarn Jayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana - **1999**
- Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana - **2000**
- Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana - **2001**
- Food for Work Scheme (NFWP) - **2004**

<p>4. Pradhan Mantri Gramin Sadak Yojana</p> <p><b>Code:</b></p> <p>(a) 2 - 1 - 4 - 3</p> <p>(b) 3 - 1 - 4 - 2</p> <p>(c) 2 - 4 - 1 - 3</p> <p>(d) 3 - 4 - 1 - 2</p>	<p><b>Additional Knowledge:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana</b> was launched on 25 September 2001 by combining the provisions of <b>Employment Assurance Scheme</b> and <b>Jawahar Gram Samridhi Yojana</b>. This programme is <b>self-targeted in nature</b> and aims to provide employment and food to the people in rural areas.</li> </ul>
<p><b>22. Arrange the following scheme/programme in chronological order according to their starting year:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme</li> <li>2. National Rural Drinking Water Programme</li> <li>3. Rural Health Mission Programme</li> <li>4. Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana</li> </ol> <p><b>Code:</b></p> <p>(a) 2 - 4 - 1 - 3</p> <p>(b) 3 - 4 - 1 - 2</p> <p>(c) 2 - 1 - 4 - 3</p> <p>(d) 3 - 1 - 4 - 2</p>	<p>Answer - (d)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Scheme/Programme - Year of commencement</b></li> <li>• Rural Health Mission Programme - <b>April 2005</b></li> <li>• National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme - <b>August 25, 2005</b></li> <li>• Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana - <b>2007</b></li> <li>• National Rural Drinking Water Programme - <b>April 1, 2009</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Additional Knowledge:</b></p> <p><b>Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) is a social security and <b>employment guarantee programme in India</b>.</li> <li>• It was enacted in <b>2005</b> under the <b>National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA)</b>.</li> <li>• The programme provides a legal guarantee of <b>100 days of wage employment in a financial year to rural households</b>.</li> <li>• It focuses on labour-intensive projects such as road construction, water conservation and</li> </ul>

	<p>irrigation to generate employment opportunities and improve rural infrastructure.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The scheme ensures timely payment of wages, provides social security provisions and <b>promotes transparency through mandatory public disclosure of information.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>23. Arrange the following scheme/programme in chronological order according to their starting year 1. Write the names of the schemes/programmes in the chronological order as per their starting year:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana</li> <li>Deendayal Upadhyaya Antyodaya Yojana</li> <li>Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana</li> <li>Deendayal Upadhyaya Shramev Jayate Karyakram</li> </ol> <p><b>Code:</b></p> <p>(a) 1, 2, 3, 4</p> <p>(b) 2, 3, 1, 4</p> <p>(c) 1, 3, 2, 4</p> <p>(d) 2, 1, 3, 4</p>	<p><b>Answer - (a)</b></p> <p><b>Scheme/Programme - Starting Year</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana - <b>28 August, 2014</b></li> <li>Deendayal Upadhyaya Antyodaya Yojana - <b>25 September, 2014</b></li> <li>Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana - <b>11 October, 2014</b></li> <li>Deendayal Upadhyaya Shramev Jayate Program - <b>16 October, 2014</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Additional Knowledge:</b></p> <p><b>Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana</b> was announced by the Prime Minister in <b>2014</b> as a part of nation-building.</li> <li>Under this scheme, <b>Lok Sabha MPs have to develop one Adarsh Gram in their constituency by the year 2016</b>, followed by three by <b>the year 2019</b> and five by <b>the year 2024</b>.</li> <li>The objective of this <b>scheme was to develop at least one Adarsh Gram</b> in each district so that the nearby Gram Panchayats can be inspired to adopt those measures.</li> <li>The objective of this scheme was to <b>empower the selected villages in the areas of agriculture,</b></li> </ul>

	<p>health, cleanliness, livelihood, environment, education etc.</p>
<p><b>24. Arrange the following schemes/programmes in chronological order as per their starting year:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya Yojana</li> <li>2. Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihood Mission</li> <li>3. Swachh Bharat Mission</li> <li>4. Deendayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana</li> </ol> <p><b>Code:</b></p> <p>(a) 2, 3, 1, 4</p> <p>(b) 2, 1, 3, 4</p> <p>(c) 1, 3, 2, 4</p> <p>(d) 1, 2, 3, 4</p>	<p><b>Answer - (d)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) Scheme - 2004</li> <li>• Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission - <b>June 2011</b></li> <li>• Swachh Bharat Mission - <b>2 October, 2014</b></li> <li>• Deendayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana - <b>November, 2014</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Additional Knowledge:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY)</b> is designed to provide uninterrupted electricity supply to the entire rural India. This scheme was launched in <b>November 2014</b> under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi.</li> <li>• <b>Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM)</b> is a centrally sponsored program launched by the <b>Ministry of Rural Development</b> in the <b>year 2011</b>. It aims to eliminate rural poverty by promoting a variety of livelihoods and better access to financial services for rural poor families across the country.</li> </ul>
<p><b>25. Project started in June 2014 'Mausam' is an initiative of.....</b></p> <p>(a) Ministry of Earth Sciences</p> <p>(b) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change</p> <p>(c) Ministry of Tourism</p>	<p><b>Answer - (d)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project 'Mausam' is a Ministry of Culture initiative implemented by Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) as the nodal agency with research support from <b>Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA)</b> and <b>National Museum</b> as associate bodies.</li> </ul>

(d) Ministry of Culture

**Additional Knowledge:**

- **Archaeological Survey of India (ASI)** is an Indian government agency responsible for **archaeological research and conservation** and preservation of cultural historical monuments in the country. It was founded in **1861** by **Alexander Cunningham** who also became its first Director General.
- Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts is a premier government-funded arts organisation in **New Delhi**. It is an autonomous institution under the **Union Ministry of Culture**. It was inaugurated on **19 November 1985** by Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

**26. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Sabla Yojana':**

1. This scheme is an initiative of the 'Ministry of Women and Child Development'.
2. The objective of this scheme is to provide for rehabilitation of destitute women.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Neither 1, nor 2
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Only 2

**Answer -(a)**

**Sabla Yojana**

- It was launched by the Ministry of **Women and Child Development** in the year 2010.
- "**Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls**" or **Sabla Yojana** was launched in 2010, from the year 2013, 2 previously running schemes under this scheme, **Nutrition Program for Adolescent Girls** and **Kishori Shakti Yojana (KSY)** were integrated into a single scheme.
- The scheme aims to **empower adolescent girls in the age group of 11-18 years** by improving their nutritional and health status and upgrading various skills useful to them.

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Swadhar Griha Yojana**

- This scheme was launched in the year **2001-02**.

- This scheme is an initiative of the **Ministry of Women and Child Development**.
- The scheme aims to provide rehabilitation to women freed from prostitution, released prisoners, widows, women victims of trafficking, natural disasters, mentally challenged and destitute women.
- Under this scheme, facilities like food and shelter for widowed women, legal counselling for divorced women, medical facilities and vocational training for women are provided.
- Through this scheme, women are provided physical and mental strength to restart their life so that they can stand on their own feet.

**27. Arrange the following schemes in chronological order according to their starting year?**

1. National Literacy Mission Programme
2. Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme
3. Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana
4. National Social Assistance Scheme

**Code:**

- (a) 2 - 1 - 4 - 3
- (b) 3 - 1 - 4 - 2
- (c) 2 - 4 - 1 - 3
- (d) 3 - 4 - 1 - 2

**Answer -(a)**

- Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme - **2 October, 1975 (Ministry of Women and Child Development)**
- National Literacy Mission Programme - **1988 (Ministry of Education)**
- National Social Assistance Scheme - **15 August 1995 (Ministry of Rural Development)**
- Kishor Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana - **1999 (Ministry of Science and Technology)**

**Additional Knowledge:**

- **Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS)** is a scheme formulated by the Government of India on **23 December 1993** that enables **Members of Parliament (MPs)** to recommend development works needed in their **respective constituencies with an emphasis on**



	<p>creating durable community assets at the local level.</p>
<p><b>28. Sakhi Kendra or One Stop Centre is a fully centrally sponsored programme. It comes under which ministry?</b></p> <p>(a) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs</p> <p>(b) Ministry of Women and Child Development</p> <p>(c) Ministry of Culture</p> <p>(d) Ministry of Law and Justice</p>	<p><b>Answer - (b)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sakhi Center or One Stop Center (OSC)</b> is a fully sponsored scheme of the Central Government. These centres are established by the <b>Ministry of Women and Child Development through the Nirbhaya Fund under the National Women Empowerment Mission.</b></li> <li>• The purpose of <b>One Stop Center (OAC)</b> is to assist women affected by violence in private and public places, family, community and workplace.</li> </ul> <div> <p><u><b>Additional Knowledge:</b></u></p> <p><b>Nirbhaya Fund</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After the <b>2012 gang rape incident which shamed humanity</b>, <b>Nirbhaya Fund</b> was established by the Central Government in the <b>year 2013</b> keeping in mind the <b>safety of women.</b></li> <li>• Initially, the then Finance Minister P. Chidambaram had <b>allocated an amount of Rs 1000 crore</b> under this.</li> <li>• It was planned to <b>implement many schemes related to women empowerment</b> from this fund.</li> </ul> </div>
<p><b>29. How many of the following schemes were started by the 'Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India'?</b></p> <p>1. Ustad Scheme</p> <p>2. Jiyo Parsi Scheme</p> <p>3. Nai Manzil Scheme</p>	<p><b>Answer -(b)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ustad Scheme (2015)</b> - Ministry of Minority Affairs</li> <li>• <b>Jiyo Parsi Scheme</b> - The first phase of the scheme was launched in 2013. The second phase started in 2017 (Ministry of Minority Affairs)</li> <li>• <b>Nai Manzil Scheme (August 2015)</b> - Ministry of Minority Affairs</li> </ul>



<p>4. Mission Karmayogi</p> <p><b>Code:</b></p> <p>(a) All four</p> <p>(b) Only three</p> <p>(c) Only two</p> <p>(d) Only one</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mission Karmayogi (2020)</b> - Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions</li> </ul> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p><b><u>Additional Knowledge:</u></b></p> <p><b>Training of Rural Youth for Self-Employment (TRYSEM) Programme</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This centrally sponsored programme was launched on <b>August 15, 1979</b>.</li> <li>• The main objective of this scheme was to provide technical and vocational expertise to the rural people living below the poverty line in the <b>age group of 18-35</b>.</li> <li>• On <b>April 1, 1999</b>, this scheme was merged with the '<b>Swarn Jayanti Gram Swarojgar Yojana</b>'.</li> </ul> </div>
<p><b>30. How many of the following schemes were launched by the 'Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India'?</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mahila Samridhi Scheme (1993)</li> <li>2. Mahila Swashakti Scheme (1998)</li> <li>3. Rashtriya Poshan Mission Scheme (2018)</li> <li>4. Mahila Samakhya Scheme (1989)</li> </ol> <p><b>Code:</b></p> <p>(a) Only three</p> <p>(b) All four</p> <p>(c) Only one</p> <p>(d) Only two</p>	<p><b>Answer -(a)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mahila Samridhi Yojana (1993)</b> - This scheme was launched by the <b>Ministry of Women and Child Development</b> on 2 October 1993 as a microfinance policy for the upliftment of rural women.</li> <li>• <b>Mahila Swashakti Yojana (1998)</b> - This scheme was launched by the <b>Ministry of Women and Child Development</b> with the aim of empowering women as agents of socio-economic change and development.</li> <li>• <b>National Nutrition Mission Scheme (2018)</b> - This scheme was launched by the Prime Minister on 8 March 2018 on the occasion of International Women's Day from Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan. It is an initiative of the <b>Ministry of Women and Child Development</b>.</li> <li>• <b>Mahila Samakhya Yojana (1989)</b> - The Mahila Samakhya program was started by the Ministry of Education under the <b>Department of Education in 1989</b>.</li> </ul>

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Antyodaya Anna Yojana**

- This scheme was launched by Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee on **25 December 2000**.
- Under this scheme, food grains are provided to the families living Below Poverty Line (BPL) at **very subsidised rates**.

**31. Consider the following statements with reference to 'National Rural Health Mission':**

1. The main objective of this scheme is to provide accessible, affordable and accountable quality healthcare services to the poorest families even in remote rural areas.
2. The Accredited Social Health Activist Scheme (ASHA) was launched under this scheme.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

- (a) Only 2
- (b) Both 1 and 2
- (c) Only 1
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer - (b)**

**National Rural Health Mission**

- **The National Rural Health Mission was launched on April 12, 2005**. This scheme has now come under the '**National Health Mission**'.
- The main objective of this scheme is to provide accessible, affordable and accountable **quality health services** to the poorest families even in remote rural areas.
- Accredited **Social Health Activist Scheme (ASHA)** has been started under this scheme.
- This scheme is being run by the '**Ministry of Health and Family Welfare**'.

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri-Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY)**

- It is **the world's largest health insurance scheme** fully funded by the government.
- Launched in **2018**, it provides an **insurance amount of Rs 5 lakh per family for secondary care and tertiary care**.

- The health benefit package includes **the cost of surgery, medical and day care treatment, medicines and diagnostics.**
- It is an entitlement-based scheme that **targets beneficiaries identified by the latest Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC) data.**

**32. What is the amount of insurance cover available for accidental death under 'Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana'?**

- (a) 1 lakh
- (b) 2 lakh
- (c) 4 lakh
- (d) 5 lakh

**Answer - (b)**

- '**Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana**' provides life insurance of **Rs 2 lakh for accidental death and permanent total disability** and **Rs 1 lakh for permanent partial disability.**

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY)**

- It is a **one-year accident insurance scheme, renewable year after year, which provides coverage for death or disability due to accidents.**
- Individuals in the **age group of 18-70 years** having a **personal bank or post office account** are eligible to enrol under this scheme.

**33. The infrastructure development project launched in India with the aim of promoting 'port-led development' is named?**

- (a) Dweepmala
- (b) Bharatmala
- (c) Sagarmala
- (d) Sagarnaman

**Answer - (c)**

- '**Sagarmala Project**' is a scheme started by the Central Government which **is related to the modernization of ports.**
- This scheme aims to **promote direct and indirect development around ports along the 7500 km long coastline.**
- This scheme includes **12 smart cities and special economic zones.**
- Under this scheme, eight coastal states have been identified which include **Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa,**

	<p>Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and West Bengal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The 'Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways' has been appointed as the <b>nodal agency</b> of this scheme.</li> </ul> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p><b>Additional Knowledge:</b></p> <p><b>Bharatmala Project</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It was started by the Central Government in the <b>year 2015</b>. It is a comprehensive program started under the <b>Ministry of Road Transport and Highways</b>.</li> <li>Under this scheme, the government intends to build <b>83,677 km of highways and roads</b> with an investment of about Rs 7 lakh crore.</li> <li>It focuses on <b>new initiatives like development of border and international connectivity roads, coastal and port connectivity roads, improving the efficiency of national corridors, economic corridors and others.</b></li> </ul> </div>
<p><b>34. How many of the following missions are included in the 8 national missions launched under the 'National Action Plan on Climate Change' (NAPCC)?</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National Mission for Green India</li> <li>National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture</li> <li>National Solar Mission</li> <li>National Mission for Sustaining Himalayan Ecosystem</li> </ol> <p><b>Codes:</b></p> <p>(a) Only two</p>	<p><b>Answer - (c)</b></p> <p><b>8 National Missions of NAPCC -</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National Solar Mission</li> <li>National Mission for Enhanced Energy Efficiency</li> <li>National Mission on Sustainable Habitat</li> <li>National Water Mission</li> <li>National Mission for Sustainable Himalayan Ecosystem</li> <li>National Mission for Green India</li> <li>National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture</li> </ul>

<p>(b) Only one</p> <p>(c) All four</p> <p>(d) Only three</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Mission on Strategic Knowledge for Climate Change</li> </ul> <p>Out of the 8 national missions launched under the <b>National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC)</b>, the responsibility of 2 missions has been entrusted to the <b>Department of Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology</b>. These 2 missions are -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• National Mission for Sustainable Himalayan Ecosystem</li> <li>• National Mission for Strategic Knowledge for Climate Change</li> </ul> <div> <p><u>Additional Knowledge:</u></p> <p><b>National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Government of India launched it on <b>June 30, 2008</b>, outlining eight national missions on climate change.</li> <li>• Its objective is to make public representatives, various government agencies, scientists, industry and <b>communities aware about the threat posed by climate change and measures to combat it.</b></li> </ul> </div>
<p>35. A scheme named 'SAGY' was launched regarding the issue of adoption of villages by MPs. What does 'A' stand for in SAGY?</p> <p>(a) Apna</p> <p>(b) Aadarsh</p> <p>(c) Anubhav</p> <p>(d) Aatmanirbhar</p>	<p>Answer - (b)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The '<b>Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana</b>' was announced by the Prime Minister in <b>2014</b> as part of nation-building.</li> <li>• <b>Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana (SAGY)</b> is an initiative of the Government of India, implemented for the development and growth of rural infrastructure.</li> <li>• The 'A' in <b>SAGY</b> stands for <b>Aadars</b></li> </ul> <div> <p><u>Additional Knowledge:</u></p> </div>

#### Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)

- It was launched in **2016** and is being administered by the **Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare**.
- All farmers including tenant farmers growing notified crops in notified areas are **eligible for coverage**.
- It aims to provide a comprehensive insurance cover in case of crop failure due to natural calamities, pests and diseases or any other reason so as to help stabilise the income of farmers.
- The fixed insurance instalment/premium to be paid by farmers under this scheme is **2% for all Kharif crops and 1.5% for all Rabi crops**.
- In case of annual commercial and horticultural crops the insurance premium is **5%**.

36. When was the 'Jal Jeevan Mission' launched by the Prime Minister with the goal of 'Har Ghar Jal'?

- (a) In the year 2016
- (b) In the year 2017
- (c) In the year 2018
- (d) In the year 2019

Answer - (d)

- In the year 2019, 'Jal Jeevan Mission' was started with the goal of 'Water for every household'.

#### Additional Knowledge:

#### Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) Scheme

- This scheme has been started by the **Central Government** for the small and marginal farmers of the country.
- Under this scheme, the government provides an amount of **Rs 6000** per year to the beneficiary farmers in **three instalments of ₹ 2000**. The amount of this instalment is given every four months.

- It was started on **24 February 2019** to meet the financial needs of landholder farmers.

37. 'Per drop more crop' is the objective of which scheme of the Government of India?

- (a) Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana
- (b) Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana Gramin
- (c) Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana
- (d) Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana

Answer - (a)

- 'Per Drop More Crop' is a component of **Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY)**.
- It is implemented by the **Department of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers Welfare**.
- **PMKSY** focuses on increasing water use efficiency at the farm level through micro irrigation technologies.

Additional Knowledge:

**Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana (PMKSY)**

- This scheme was launched in the **year 2015** with the goal of ensuring adequate availability of water for farming, expanding cultivable area under irrigation, improving water use efficiency and promoting sustainable water conservation practices.
- It is a **centrally sponsored scheme**, with the Centre-State sharing ratio being 75:25. In the case of the northeastern region and hilly states, the sharing will be in the ratio of 90:10.

38. Which one of the following pairs is not correctly matched?

**Scheme - State**

- (a) Mukhyamantri Mitan Yojana - Chhattisgarh
- (b) Jivhala Yojana - Maharashtra
- (c) Ladli Laxmi Yojana - Gujarat
- (d) Nethanna Bima Yojana - Telangana

Answer -(c)

**Mukhyamantri Mitan Yojana - Chhattisgarh Government**

- For doorstep delivery of public services

**Jivhala Yojana - Maharashtra**

- For prisoners serving sentence in jails

**Laadli Laxmi Yojana - Madhya Pradesh Government**

- Incentive amount of Rs 25 thousand to girls for higher education

**Nethanna Bima Yojana - Telangana Government**

- Insurance coverage of Rs 5 lakh for weavers

**Additional Knowledge:**

- Mukhyamantri Udyog Kranti Yojana - **Madhya Pradesh**
- "Him Prahari" Yojana - **Uttarakhand**
- 'Swanidhi se Samriddhi' Yojana - **Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs**
- Dalit Bandhu Yojana - **Telangana**

**39. Which of the following schemes was started last?**

- (a) Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihood Mission
- (b) Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban)
- (c) Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan-Dhan Yojana
- (d) Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Rural)

**Answer -(c)**

- **Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission** (23 December, 2013) - Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) (25 June 2015)** - Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- **Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Rural) (2016)** - Ministry of Rural Development
- **Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan-Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY) (2019)** - Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

**Additional Knowledge:**

**Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maandhan Yojana**

- It is a government scheme aimed at **old age security and social security of small and marginal farmers (SMFs)**.
- All small and marginal farmers in the age group of 18 to 40 years who **own cultivable land up to 2**



**hectares** and whose names are recorded in the land records of States/UTs as on 01.08.2019 are eligible to **get benefits under this scheme.**

- Under this scheme, **farmers will get a minimum assured pension of Rs 3000 per month after attaining the age of 60 years** and if the farmer dies, the spouse of the farmer will be entitled to receive 50% of the pension as family pension.
- Family pension is applicable **only for spouses.**

**40. Match List I (Scheme) with List II (Ministry concerned):**

List I	List II
A. Mission Indradhanush	1. Ministry of Food Processing Industries
B. Swachh Bharat Mission (Gramin)	2. Ministry of Jal Shakti
C. Operation Green Yojana	3. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
D. PM-KUSUM	4. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

**Select the correct answer from the code given below:**

- (a) A-3, B-1, C-2, D-4
- (b) A-3, B-2, C-1, D-4
- (c) A-4, B-1, C-2, D-3

**Answer - (b)**

**Scheme - Related Ministry**

- Mission Indradhanush (December, 2014) - Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- Swachh Bharat Mission (Rural) (2 October 2014) - Ministry of Jal Shakti
- Operation Green Scheme (Union Budget 2018-19) - Ministry of Food Processing Industries
- PM-KUSUM (Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthan Mahabhiyan) (8 March 2019) - Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

**Additional Knowledge:**

- **Scheme - Related Ministry**
- **Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (2017)** - Ministry of Food Processing Industries
- **Mega Food Park Scheme (2008)** - Ministry of Food Processing Industries

(d) A-4, B-2, C-1, D-3

- **Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maandhan Yojana (September 2019)** - Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- **Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-Dhan Yojana (February 2019)** - Ministry of Labour and Employment