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**Q1.** Which of the following statements about Pratyaksha Hastaantarit Laabh (PAHAL) scheme is/are **not** correct?

- The scheme has been acknowledged as the world's largest cash transfer program (households) by the Guinness Book of World Records.
- The scheme was formally launched as Direct Benefit Transfer Scheme for LPG subsidy in 2013.
- The scheme was modified and named as Pahal in November 2014.
- LPG cylinders are sold at subsidized rates.
- a) 1, 2 & 4
- b) 1 only
- c) 2 & 4 only
- d) 4 only

Q2. Which of the following statements are correct regarding Lok Adalats?

- The first National Lok Adalat was held in 1982.
- The decision of the Lok Adalat is binding on the parties to the dispute.
- Its decision cannot be challenged in any other court.

#### Codes:

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) All of these

**Q3.** Name the portal launched by the Government on 6th Apr'15 to improve vocational training delivery in the country?

- a) National Council for vocational trainingManagement information system
- b) Training Management information system
- c) National Management information system
- d) Vocational Management information system

## **Q4.** Which among the following are the recommendations of the High-Level Committee (HLC) for Restructuring of Food Corporation of India (FCI) chaired by Shanta Kumar?

- FCI procurement should focus on the eastern belt, where farmers do not get the minimum support price.
- It proposes to virtually dilute the scope of the National Food Security Act (NFSA) by lowering its coverage to about 40 per cent population.
- It proposes to start Direct Benefit Transfer in lieu of distribution through Public Distribution System.

#### Codes

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) All of these

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Q5. KIRAN scheme is related to

- a) Women Doctors
- b) Women Scientists
- c) Women Engineers
- d) Women teachers

## **Q6.** Who was elected as the Deputy Speaker of the Lok Sabha on 13 August 2014?

- a) D. Subramaniam
- b) M. Thambidurai
- c) M. Venkateshwar
- d) V. Rameshwar

## **Q7.** Which of the following statements is/are **correct** about Consumer Protection Bill, 2015?

- The new bill seeks to replace Consumer Protection Act, 1986 in order to deal with consumer protection and safety.
- Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA) is a non-regulatory authority.
- Consumer Protection Act (CPA), 1986 was amended twice in 1991 and 1993 respectively.

#### Codes:

- a) 2 and 3only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 1 only
- d) All of these

### **Q8.** Telangana government launched 'Grama Jyothi' across the state. The scheme is aimed at:

- Comprehensive development of rural areas allowing planning and execution of works by villages themselves
- Improving the Human Development Index (HDI) by addressing core issues such as drinking water and sanitation, health and nutrition, education, infrastructure etc.
- Empowering women.
- Empowering gram panchayats.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1, 2 & 4
- b) 1 & 2 only
- c) 2 & 4 only
- d) 1, 2 & 3

Q9. What is the purpose of establishing Kaya Kulp Council?
a) To give recommendations to improve Air India
b) To give recommendations to improve to working of National Highway Authority of India
c) To give recommendations to improve the Indian Railways
d) To give recommendations to enhance the role of waterways in transportation
Q10. According to Union Finance Ministry, which of the following states/UTs have achieved 100% financial inclusion under Jan Dhan Yojana?
<ul> <li>Kerala</li> <li>Punjab</li> <li>Chandigarh</li> <li>Daman &amp; Diu</li> <li>Lakshadweep</li> <li>Goa</li> </ul>
Codes: a) 1, 3, 5 and 6 only
b) 2, 3 and 4 only
c) 1, 2, 4 and 6 only
d) 1, 4, 5 and 6 only
Q11. For which crop,has the Central Government has asked to relax quality norms for procurement on 7th Apr'15?
a) Rice
b) Pulses
c) Maize
d) Wheat

## **Q12.** Which of the following statements are **correct** regarding National Optical Fibre Network (NOFN)?

- It is the largest rural connectivity project of its kind in the world.
- It has been launched by the Ministry of Information Technology and Communications
- Vellore has become first district in India to have high speed Rural Broadband Network

#### Codes

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) All of these

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#### Q13. Which of the following statements are correct?

- Recently, President's rule has been imposed in Jammu and Kashmir
- It was imposed under Article 356 of the Indian constitution.

#### Codes:

- a) 2 only
- b) Both 1 and 2
- c) 1 only
- d) Neither 1 Nor 2

#### Q14. Consider the following statements:

- NTPC has emerged as the country's biggest company in terms of annual revenue as per an annual list of Fortune 500 companies in India- 2014.
- This year's list of the country's 500 largest corporations was compiled by the global business magazine Fortune's Indian edition.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 2 only
- b) Both 1 and 2
- c) 1 only
- d) None of the above

## **Q15.** Which of the following pairs are **correct** matched? Adventure Sport/ State martial arts

• Dahi Handi : Madhya Pradesh

• Gatka: Punjab

Kalaripayattu : KeralaVarma Kalai : Tamil Nadu

#### Codes:

- a) 2, 3 and 4 only
- b) 1 and 4 only
- c) 1, 2 and 3 only
- d) All of these

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#### Answers to the above questions:

#### Q1. Answer: (d)

Under the scheme, subsidized liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) cylinders are sold at market rates and consumers are entitled to receive LPG subsidy directly into their bank accounts.

#### Q2. Answer: (b)

The first National Lok Adalat was held in 2013. The First Lok Adalat was held in Junagarh district of Gujarat in 1982.

#### Q3. Answer: (a)

National Council for vocational trainingManagement information system.

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#### Q4. Answer: (c)

It proposes to defer implementation of NFSA in states that have **not** done end to end computerization.

#### Q5. Answer: (b)

KIRAN (Knowledge and Involvement in Research Achievement through Nurturing) is a scheme that would allow Public Sector institutions to make alternate offers to women scientists who have/had a break in their career or change in their residence.

#### Q6. Answer: (b)

M. Thambidurai represents AIADMK in the Lok Sabha. He was elected unanimously as almost all parties moved motions for his election, including the Congress.

#### Q7. Answer: (c)

Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA) is an apex regulatory authority. It was amended thrice earlier in 1991, 1993 and 2002

Q8. Answer: (a)

Q9. Answer: (c)

Kaya Kulp Council is an innovation council constituted by the Ministry of Railways to recommend ways to improve and transform the Indian Railways. The council will be headed by Ratan Tata.

#### Q10. Answer: (a)

The Ministry has declared that Goa, Kerala, Chandigarh, Puducherry and Lakshadweep have became the states/UTs to achieve 100% finacial inclusion.

#### Q11. Answer: (d)

If quality of wheat is affected due to unseasonal rains or any other reason, relaxation in the norms is considered.

#### Q12. Answer: (c)

Idukki district of Kerala has become first district in India to have high speedRuralBroadband Network i.e. National Optical Fibre Network (NOFN) internet connectivity.

#### Q13. Answer: (d)

Governor's Rule has been imposed in Jammu and Kashmir under Section 92 of J&K Constitution.

#### Q14. Answer: (a)

State-run Indian Oil Corp (IOC) has emerged as the country's biggest company in terms of annual revenue as per an annual list of Fortune 500 companies in India- 2014. IOC topped the list with annual revenue of Rs 4, 75, 867 crore.

#### Q15. Answer: (a)

Maharashtra government has recently declared Dahi Handi as an adventurous sport.

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