

IASbaba's Daily Quiz

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Q.1) International Children's Peace Prize is an initiative of

- a) Amnesty International
- b) Kids Rights Foundation
- c) UNICEF
- d) None of the above

Q.1) Solution (b)

The prize is an initiative of the KidsRights Foundation, an international children's aid and advocacy organisation based in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

In News - <http://www.thehindu.com/news/international/Kehkashan-Basu-UAE-based-Indian-teen-wins-Childrens-Peace-Prize/article16754142.ece>

Q.2) _____ was a naval offensive operation launched on Pakistan's port city of Karachi by the Indian Navy during the Indo-Pakistani War of 1971.

- a) Operation Trident
- b) Operation Vijay
- c) Operation Talwar
- d) Operation Vajra Shakti

Q.2) Solution (a)

India celebrates its Navy Day annually on 4 December to mark this operation.

In News - http://www.business-standard.com/article/news-ani/navy-day-celebrations-end-with-beating-retreat-ceremony-116120500138_1.html

Q.3) Consider the following statements about 'Auroville Foundation'

1. It an autonomous body under the Ministry of Human Resource Development
2. Auroville is an experimental township in the state of Tamil Nadu, with some parts in the Union Territory of Puducherry.

Select the correct statements

- a) Only 1

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

Q.3) Solution (c)

It an autonomous body under the Ministry of Human Resource Development

Auroville is an experimental township in the state of Tamil Nadu, with some parts in the Union Territory of Puducherry.

It is recognized as an international living experiment in human unity, endorsed by the UNESCO and supported by the Indian government It is also a centre for applied research in environmentally sustainable living practices, experimenting new system of education, social research and cultural activities.

The Auroville Foundation consists of research, educational, service and commercial units dedicated to the promotion of the ideals of Auroville and of units dedicated to the uplifting of the population living in the villages surrounding it.

In News - http://www.business-standard.com/article/news-ians/karan-singh-renominated-as-chairman-of-auroville-foundation-116120201249_1.html

Q.4) Consider the following statements

1. India has signed the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) and subsequently ratified the same in 2007
2. Rights of Persons With Disabilities (RPWD) Bill proposes to repeal the existing Persons with Disabilities (Equal opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995
3. Speech and Language Disability and Specific Learning Disability have been added for the first time in RPWD Bill.

Select the correct statements

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 1 and 3
- d) All of the above

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Q.4) Solution (d)

Rights of Persons With Disabilities (RPWD) Bill, 2014

International Day of Person with Disability is observed on 3rd December

- Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 is the principal Act for the empowerment of Persons with disabilities.
- The Act was enforced 20 years back and hence today there has been drastic changes in disability sector such as understanding disability and its social model of definition, new technology and process of rehabilitation etc.
- India has signed the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) and subsequently ratified the same in 2007.
- Keeping in view the fact that the existing Act of 1995 is not fully in conformity with the UNCRPD, a need was felt to have a rights-based legislation with a strong institutional mechanism.
- The Bill had been mooted by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment after extensive consultation with various stakeholders.

The new Bill with amendments proposes to repeal the existing Persons with Disabilities (Equal opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995.

Salient features of the amendment are:

- Responsibility has been cast upon the appropriate governments to take effective measures to ensure that the persons with disabilities enjoy their rights equally with others.
- Persons with at least 40% of a disability are entitled to certain benefits such as reservations in education and employment, preference in government schemes, etc.
- Disability has been defined based on an evolving and dynamic concept.

The types of disabilities have been increased from existing 7 to 21 and the Central Government will have the power to add more types of disabilities.

- Speech and Language Disability and Specific Learning Disability have been added for the first time.
- Acid Attack Victims have been included. Dwarfism, muscular dystrophy have been indicated as separate class of specified disability.
- The New categories of disabilities also included **three blood disorders- Thalassemia, Hemophilia and Sickle Cell disease.**

In News - <http://pib.nic.in/newsite/PrintRelease.aspx?relid=154862>

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Q.5) Which of the following countries signed a treaty to exchange pieces of land along the Meuse river border?

- a) Slovenia and Croatia
- b) Hungary and Slovakia
- c) Belgium and Netherlands
- d) Kosovo and Macedonia

Q.5) Solution (c)

Belgium and the Netherlands signed a treaty to exchange pieces of land along the Meuse river border.

The border treaty symbolizes the excellent state of the Belgian-Dutch relations.

This is the second border adjustment between the Netherlands and Belgium in 175 years.

The current border was established in 1843 and followed the deepest point of the Meuse river. Adjustment was necessary because in 1961 the winding banks of the river were rectified for navigation purposes. As a result, parts of Belgian territory were attached to the Dutch riverside and vice versa.

In News - <http://www.thehindu.com/news/international/Belgium-Netherlands-to-swap-land-alter-border/article16729159.ece>

