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Q.1) Consider the following statements about Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP)

1. It recommends MSPs only for pulses and commercial crops
2. Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) takes a final decision on the MSPs after the feedback from CACP

Select the correct statements

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

Q.1) Solution (b)

- It is mandated to recommend minimum support prices (MSPs) to incentivise the cultivators to adopt modern technology and overall grain production.
- Thus, MSP for major agricultural products are fixed by the government, each year, after taking the recommendations of the Commission.
- As of now, CACP recommends MSPs of 23 commodities, which comprise 7 cereals, 5 pulses, 7 oilseeds and 4 commercial crops.
- After receiving the feed-back, the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) of the Union government takes a final decision on the MSPs.

In News - <http://www.financialexpress.com/economy/demonetisation-prices-at-retail-agricultural-markets-stable/447662/>

Q.2) 'Mission Madhumeha' is under the

- a) Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
- b) Ministry of Ayush
- c) Ministry of Agriculture
- d) Ministry of Environment & Forests

Q.2) Solution (b)

Mission Madhumeha

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The Ministry of AYUSH is also going to launch "Mission Madhumeha through Ayurveda" on the occasion.

The Mission will be implemented throughout the country through National Treatment Protocol for effective management of Diabetes through Ayurveda.

It provides for free Ayurvedic health care services for the patients of Diabetes by organizing health check-up camps, public lectures for creating awareness in public regarding Diabetes etc.

In News - http://www.business-standard.com/article/government-press-release/rapid-progress-in-field-of-ayurveda-for-prevention-control-of-diabetes-116111801267_1.html

Q.3) Which of the following statements about sharia compliant finance is/are correct?

1. It is a banking activity that is consistent with the principles of Sharia and it is practical application through the development of Islamic economics
2. It is a finance system based on the principles of not charging interest for loans

Select the correct code:

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

Q.3) Solution (c)

Islamic finance is equity-based, asset-backed, ethical, sustainable, environmentally- and socially-responsible finance. It promotes risk sharing, connects the financial sector with the real economy, and emphasizes financial inclusion and social welfare.

The following key principles guide Islamic Finance:

- 1) Prohibition of interest on transactions (riba)
- 2) Financing must be linked to real assets (materiality)
- 3) Engagement in immoral or ethically problematic businesses not allowed (e.g., arms manufacturing or alcohol production)
- 4) Returns must be linked to risks.

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In News -

<http://economictimes.indiatimes.com/industry/banking/finance/banking/sharia-banking-rbi-proposes-islamic-window-in-banks/articleshow/55524538.cms>

Q.4) Which of the following is known as Orchid state of India?

- a) Mizoram
- b) Nagaland
- c) Meghalaya
- d) Arunachal Pradesh

Q.4) Solution (d)

Arunachal's rich and colorful orchids find a place of pride. Out of about a thousand species of orchids in India, over 600 are to be found in Arunachal alone. Hence this state can rightly be called the "Orchid Paradise" or Orchid state of India.

Q.5) Consider the following statements about Vector-borne diseases

1. Vectors are living organisms that can transmit infectious diseases between humans or from animals to humans.
2. Chikungunya, Malaria and Dengue are vector-borne
3. Mosquitoes are the best known disease vector

Select the correct statements

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

Q.5) Solution (d)

Vectors are living organisms that can transmit infectious diseases between humans or from animals to humans. Many of these vectors are bloodsucking insects, which ingest disease-producing microorganisms during a blood meal from an infected host (human or animal) and later inject it into a new host during their subsequent blood meal.

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Mosquitoes are the best known disease vector. Others include ticks, flies, sandflies, fleas, triatomine bugs and some freshwater aquatic snails.

Mosquitoes

Aedes

- Chikungunya
- Dengue fever
- Rift Valley fever
- Yellow fever
- Zika

Anopheles

- Malaria

Culex

- Japanese encephalitis
- Lymphatic filariasis
- West Nile fever

In News - <http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ahmedabad/400-cases-of-vector-borne-diseases-till-November-12/articleshow/55444926.cms>

