



## CURRENT AFFAIRS MCQS 14-08-2023

Ques:1

**Consider the following statements regarding parliamentary privileges.**

- 1) There is a codified list of all privileges the Members of Parliament are entitled to, like the right of free expression in the course of Parliamentary debates.
- 2) If there is a belief that such a privilege has been breached, a motion can be raised by any member.
- 3) The right to raise a question of privilege is based on the condition that the question shall be restricted to a specific matter of recent occurrence.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Correct Answer

Solution: b

Parliamentary privilege are certain rights conferred to the Members of Parliament for conducting the business of the Parliament. There is no codified list of the exact privileges, but it includes the right of free expression in the course of Parliamentary debates and Members of Parliament will not be liable for court proceedings for this.

If there is a belief that such a privilege has been breached, a motion can be raised by any member. It can be admitted by the Chairman. They can then refer it to the Privileges Committee. The Chairman can, from time to time, nominate such a Committee, consisting of ten members. It will also have a Chairman appointed by the Rajya Sabha Chairman. The right to raise a question of privilege is based on satisfying two conditions, namely: (i) the question shall be restricted to a specific matter of recent occurrence, and (ii) the matter requires the intervention of the Council.



Ques:2

**What is MARS often mentioned in the news?**

- a) A newly discovered exoplanet
- b) An unmanned vehicle
- c) A pollution monitoring system
- d) A satellite-based gas monitoring system

Correct Answer

Solution: d

Recently the United Nations (UN) has decided to set up a satellite-based monitoring system “MARS: Methane Alert and Response System” for tracking methane emissions and alerting governments and corporations to respond. The MARS initiative is intended to strengthen the efforts to cut methane emissions.

Ques:3

**With reference to Methane gas, consider the following statements**

- 1)Methane is the second-most common of the six major greenhouse gases, but is far more dangerous than carbon dioxide in its potential to cause global warming.
- 2)It is 80 times more efficient than carbon dioxide at trapping atmospheric heat.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Correct Answer

Solution: c

Methane is the second-most common of the six major greenhouse gases, but is far more dangerous than carbon dioxide in its potential to cause global warming.



Accounting for about 17% of the current global greenhouse gas emissions, methane is blamed for having caused at least 25% - 30% of temperature rise since the pre-industrial times.

It accounts for a small portion of human-induced greenhouse gas emissions compared to carbon dioxide. But it is thought to be 80 times more efficient than carbon dioxide at trapping atmospheric heat in the 20 years following its release.

Ques:4

**With reference to Weapon Locating Radar (WLR) consider the following statements:**

1) It creates high-resolution images of the Earth's surface by utilizing the motion of the radar antenna and the Doppler effect to synthesize a large virtual antenna, resulting in detailed radar images.

2) It can spot small flying objects in different conditions and predict where they will land.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Correct Answer

Solution: b

WLR is designed to detect and locate the origin of incoming enemy artillery fire. It helps identify and track the trajectory of hostile artillery rounds to provide timely information for countermeasures and protection of friendly forces. The radar can spot small flying objects in different conditions and predict where they will land.

Ques:5

**Core inflation is different from headline inflation because the former**

- a) ignores articles of volatile nature in the price index
- b) considers articles of volatile nature in the price index
- c) is not based on commodity price index



d) considers only core items of consumption in the price index

Correct Answer

Solution: a

Core inflation is a measure that excludes transitory or temporary price volatility as in the case of some commodities such as food items, energy products