

# **UPSC CURRENT AFFAIRS MCQS 21-01-2024**

### Q1:

With reference to the Legislative Assembly of a State in India, consider the following statements:

- 1. At the beginning of the first session of the year, the Governor addresses the members of the House.
- 2. When the State Legislature does not have any rule on a specific subject, then it follows the rule of the Lok Sabha on that subject.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

A: Only 1

B: Only 2

**C:** Both 1 and 2

**D:** Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer:** C

### **Explanation:**

According to Article 176 (1), the Governor shall, at the beginning of the first session after every general election to the Legislative Assembly and at the beginning of the first session of every year, address the Legislative Assembly or, in the case of a State having a Legislative Council, both Houses assembled together. Hence statement 1 is correct.

According to Article 208 (1), subject to the provisions of the Constitution, any House of the Legislature of a State (Assembly or Legislative Council) may make rules for regulating its procedure and the conduct of its business. Under Article 209, the Legislature of the State can by law regulate the procedure and conduct of business of the House/Houses related to any financial subject for the purpose of timely completion of financial business. Also, when the State Legislature does not have any rule on a specific subject, it follows the rule of the Lok Sabha on that subject. Hence statement 2 is correct.

#### **Q2**:

Under which one of the following articles of the Indian Constitution can the Governor reserve a bill for the consideration of the President?

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A: Article 169

B: Article 200

C: Article 201

D: Article 204

**Answer:** B

### **Explanation:**

According to Article 200, when a bill passed by both the Houses of the State Legislature is presented before the Governor, the Governor can reserve the bill for the consideration of the President in addition to giving or withholding his assent to it. According to Article 201, when a Bill is reserved by the Governor for the consideration of the President, the President shall declare whether he assents to the Bill or withholds the assent.

## Q3:

### Consider the following pairs:

Institutions	Establishment
1. Inter-State Council	1990
2. National Development Council	1954
3. Central Vigilance Commission	1964
4. National Human Rights Commission	1993

# How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

**A:** Only one

**B:** Only two

C: Only three

D: All four



**Answer:** C

# **Explanation:**

The correct combination of the above mentioned pairs is as follows-

Institutions	Establishment
Inter-State Council	1990
National Development Council	1952
Central Vigilance Commission	1964
National Human Rights Commission	1993

Hence only three pairs are correctly matched.

### **Q4:**

India's centre-state relations are affected by-

- 1. The provisions of the Constitution
- 2. The process of planning
- 3. Conflict of political interests

Select the correct answer using the code given below:



A: Only 1

**B:** Only 2

**C:** Both 1 and 2

**D:** 1, 2 and 3

**Answer:** D

### **Explanation:**

To establish better relations between the Center and the States, legislative, administrative and financial relations between them have been described in Parts 11 and 12 of the Constitution. Central planning system has been adopted in India. In practice, it has been seen that there are ups and downs in the relations between the Center and the states due to the presence of one party governments or governments of opposite parties, although these are hindering the development of the nation. Therefore, India's Centre-State relations are affected by the conflict of provisions of the Constitution, planning process and political interests.

### **Q5**:

With reference to Finance Commission, consider the following statements:

- 1. Finance Commission is a constitutional body, which considers the revenue relations of the Union and the State.
- 2. It is constituted by the President every five years.

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Which of the above statements is/are correct?

A: Only 1

B: Only 2

**C:** Both 1 and 2

**D:** Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer:** C

# **Explanation:**

The Finance Commission is a constitutional body, which considers the revenue relations of the Union and the State. Under Article 280, it is constituted by the



President every five years. Its Chairman is also appointed by the President, but the condition for this is that he should have experience in public works.

Apart from the Chairman, the Finance Commission consists of four members including an economist, a government finance and accounting expert, a person with financial and administrative experience and a High Court judge or a person holding such qualification. Hence both the statements are correct.