



## UPSC CURRENT AFFAIRS MCQS 02-02-2024

Q1:

Consider the following statements regarding Interim Budget, 2024:

1. India's Real GDP is projected to grow more than 8% in the fiscal year 2023-24.
2. A notable decrease was observed in the capital expenditure outlay.
3. In the last 9 years FDI has tripled than the previous 9 years.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A: Only one  
B: Only two  
C: All three  
D: None

Answer: D

**Explanation:**

India's real GDP is anticipated to experience a growth of 7.3% in the fiscal year 2023-24. In the fiscal year 2024-25, the projected fiscal deficit is 5.1% of the GDP. **Hence statement 1 is incorrect.**

Over the period from 2014 to 2023, Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflow reached USD 596 billion, doubling the inflow recorded between 2005 and 2014. **Hence statement 3 is incorrect.**

The government has identified key priority areas, focusing on the upliftment of marginalized sections such as the poor, women, youth, and farmers. Notably, there has been an 11.1% increase in the capital expenditure outlay, amounting to Rs 11,11,111 crore. **Hence statement 2 is incorrect.**



**Q2:**

**Consider the following pairs:**

<b>UAVs</b>	<b>Countries</b>
<b>Orion Helicopter E</b>	<b>Belarus</b>
<b>Draganfly Tango</b>	<b>Australia</b>
<b>Maraal</b>	<b>Iran</b>
<b>Elbit Hermes 900</b>	<b>USA</b>

**How many of the given pairs above are correct?**

**A:** Only one pair

**B:** Only two pairs

**C:** All three pairs

**D:** All four pairs

**Answer:** A

**Explanation:**

**UAVs - Countries**

**aOrion Helicopter E - Belarus**

**Draganfly Tango - Canada**

**Maraal - India**

**Elbit Hermes 900 – Israel**

**Hence option (a) is correct.**

**Q3:**

**Consider the following statements about Amrit Udyaan (earlier Mughal Gardens):**

- 1. It is constructed in the form of Charbagh style.**
- 2. It remains open to the public all through the year.**

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**



- A: Only one
- B: Only two
- C: Both 1 and 2
- D: Neither 1 nor 2

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:**

Udyan Utsav-I 2024 at Amrit Udyan, Rashtrapati Bhavan, will be open to the public from February 2 to March 31. Formerly named the Mughal Gardens, Amrit Udyan was renamed on January 28, 2023, in celebration of 75 years of India's Independence. **Hence statement 2 is correct.**

Covering 15 acres, the gardens, designed by Edwin Lutyens and William Mustoe in 1917, blend Mughal and English landscaping styles, drawing inspiration from iconic structures like the Taj Mahal and Humayun's Tomb, as well as miniature paintings of India and Persia. Although, it is not designed in Charbagh Style. **Hence statement 1 is incorrect.**

**Q4:**

**Consider the following statements about Surajkund Mela:**

1. Surajkund was constructed in the 10th century by King Surajpal of the Chandela dynasty, the reservoir holds ancient origins.
2. The theme state for this year's event is Gujarat.
3. The Cultural Ministry is the exclusive organizer of the event.

**How many of the above statements are correct?**

- A: Only one
- B: Only two
- C: All three
- D: None

**Answer: A**

**Explanation:**



The Surajkund International Crafts Mela, known as the "Lake of the Sun" for its spiritual connotation, is set around an ancient reservoir attributed to King Surajpal of the Tomar dynasty in the 10th century. Hence statement 1 is incorrect.

With Gujarat as the theme state for 2024, the Mela showcases the state's unique culture and heritage through various art forms. Hence statement 2 is correct.

Welcoming around 50 countries, this event, organized since 1987, has earned a global reputation as one of the world's largest craft fairs. Jointly organized by the Union Ministries of Tourism and Textiles, along with the Cultural Ministry, and in collaboration with the Surajkund Mela Authority and Haryana Tourism Department, it stands as a testament to cultural exchange and artistic diversity. Hence statement 3 is incorrect.