

## UPSC CURRENT AFFAIRS MCQS 29-01-2024

**Q1:**

Consider the following statements regarding the INSAT-3DS satellite:

1. INSAT-3DS is a telecommunications satellite developed by ISRO.
2. The satellite is a replacement for the existing INSAT-3D and 3DR satellites.
3. INSAT-3DS has a lift-off mass of 3000 kg.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

**Answer: A**

**Explanation:**

INSAT-3DS is a meteorological satellite, **not a telecommunications satellite**. Therefore, statement 1 is not correct.

INSAT-3DS is developed to continue the services provided by the existing INSAT-3D and 3DR satellites while enhancing the capabilities of the INSAT system. Therefore, statement 2 is correct.

The correct lift-off mass of INSAT-3DS is mentioned as 2275 kg in the overview. Therefore, statement 3 is not correct.

Hence, option (a) is correct.

**Q2:**

Consider the following statements regarding United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD):

1. The Headquarter of UNCTAD is located in Vienna.



2. It published 'Trade and Development Report', 'World Investment Report', and The 'Least Developed Countries Report'.
3. UNCTAD conducts economic and trade analyses, facilitates consensus-building, and offers technical assistance to aid developing nations in utilizing trade, investment, finance, and technology for inclusive and sustainable development.

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

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

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:**

**About United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)**

UNCTAD, established in 1964 by the United Nations General Assembly, serves as the leading institution globally addressing trade and development.

UNCTAD conducts economic and trade analyses, facilitates consensus-building, and offers technical assistance to aid developing nations in utilizing trade, investment, finance, and technology for inclusive and sustainable development. **Hence, statement 3 is correct.**

Headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland, UNCTAD is strategically located to engage with international stakeholders and coordinate its efforts effectively. **Hence, Statement 1 is not correct.**

Among its key publications are the Trade and Development Report, World Investment Report, and The Least Developed Countries Report, providing valuable insights and analysis to inform policy-making and international cooperation efforts. **Hence, statement 2 is correct.**

**Hence, option (b) is correct.**



**Q3:**

**Consider the following statements:**

- 1. The constitution outlines a specific process by which the governor selects or appoints the chief minister.**
- 2. The Council of Ministers is obligated to assist and provide advice to the Governor in the administration of the state.**

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

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

**Answer: B**

**Explanation:**

In accordance with Article 163 of the Constitution, the Council of Ministers is obligated to assist and provide advice to the Governor in the administration of the state. Hence, statement 2 is correct.

Article 164 states that the Governor is responsible for appointing the Chief Minister, but it does not delineate a precise procedure for the selection or appointment process. Hence, statement 1 is not correct.

**Hence, option (b) is correct.**

**Q4:**

**Which women-led organization, formed in 1927, initially focused on women's education and later played a crucial role in advocating for comprehensive changes in various religious laws, contributing to the framing of the Indian Constitution?**

- A:** Women's Indian Association (WIA)  
**B:** Indian Woman's Charter of Rights and Duties  
**C:** Bangiya Nari Samaj  
**D:** All India Women's Conference (AIWC)



**Answer: D**

**Explanation:**

The All India Women's Conference (AIWC), established in 1927 by Margaret Cousins in Delhi, is a non-governmental organization (NGO) dedicated to enhancing educational opportunities for women and children. Over the years, the AIWC has evolved to address a broader spectrum of women's rights issues. As the oldest nationwide women's rights organization in India, it boasts branches across the country and actively collaborates with the International Alliance of Women.

AIWC initially focused on women's education and later advocated for comprehensive changes in various religious laws, contributing to the framing of the Indian Constitution.

**Hence, option (d) is correct.**

**Q5:**

**Consider the following statements regarding 106th Constitutional Amendment:**

- 1. This amendment introduces Article 330A, which mandates the reservation of seats for women in both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha.**
- 2. This amendment added a new clause Article 239AA(2)(b) that stipulates Reservation of 1/3rd seats for women in the Legislative Assembly of the National Capital Territory (NCT) of Delhi and Puducherry.**

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

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

**Answer: D**

**Explanation:**

**About 106th Constitutional Amendment**



This amendment introduces Article 330A, which mandates the reservation of seats for women in Lok Sabha not Rajya Sabha. **Hence, statement 1 is not correct.**

This amendment added a new clause Article 239AA(2)(b) that stipulates Reservation of 1/3rd seats for women in the Legislative Assembly of the **National Capital Territory (NCT) of Delhi not Puducherry. Hence, statement 2 is not correct.**