

GOVERNMENT SCHEMES & PROGRAMMES

• Restructured classification of Schemes (2016)

1. Central Sector Schemes

(Fully funded by Central Government)

2. Centrally Sponsored Schemes

(Jointly funded by Centre & States)

3. State Level Schemes

(Fully funded by States)

Core of the Core Schemes:

1. National Social Assistance Programme.

2. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme

3. Umbrella Scheme for Development of Scheduled Castes

4. Umbrella Programme for Development of Scheduled Tribes

5. Umbrella Programme for Development of Minorities

6. Umbrella Programme for Development of Other Vulnerable Groups

1. Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan

- 20th June 2020.
- Migrant workers & rural citizens who returned to their home states during Covid-19 lockdown.
- Mission mode for **125 days** with an outlay of **Rs. 50,000 crore**.
- **Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Jharkhand and Odisha**
- 12 different Ministries/Departments will be coordinating for the implementation of the scheme.

Question.

- Q. Which among the following statements is not correct about Garib Kalyan Rojgar Yojana.
- a) It is a mission mode Abhiyan implemented in all states with special focus on Aspirational Districts.
 - b) Villages can join through Common Service Centers & Krishi Vigyan Kendras.
 - c) Niti Ayog has been trusted with ensuring the focused implementation of program across 27 Aspirational Districts.
 - d) Ministry of Rural Development is nodal Ministry for scheme.

THREE FACES OF MALNUTRITION

STUNTING



144 million

children under 5 are ***stunted***
(too short for their age)

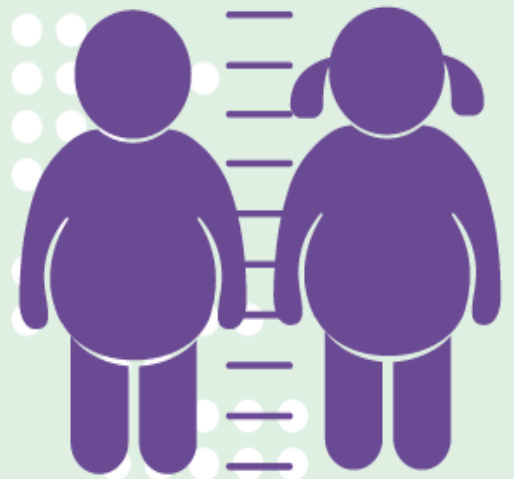
WASTING



47 million

children under 5 are ***wasted***
(too thin for their height)

OVERWEIGHT



38 million

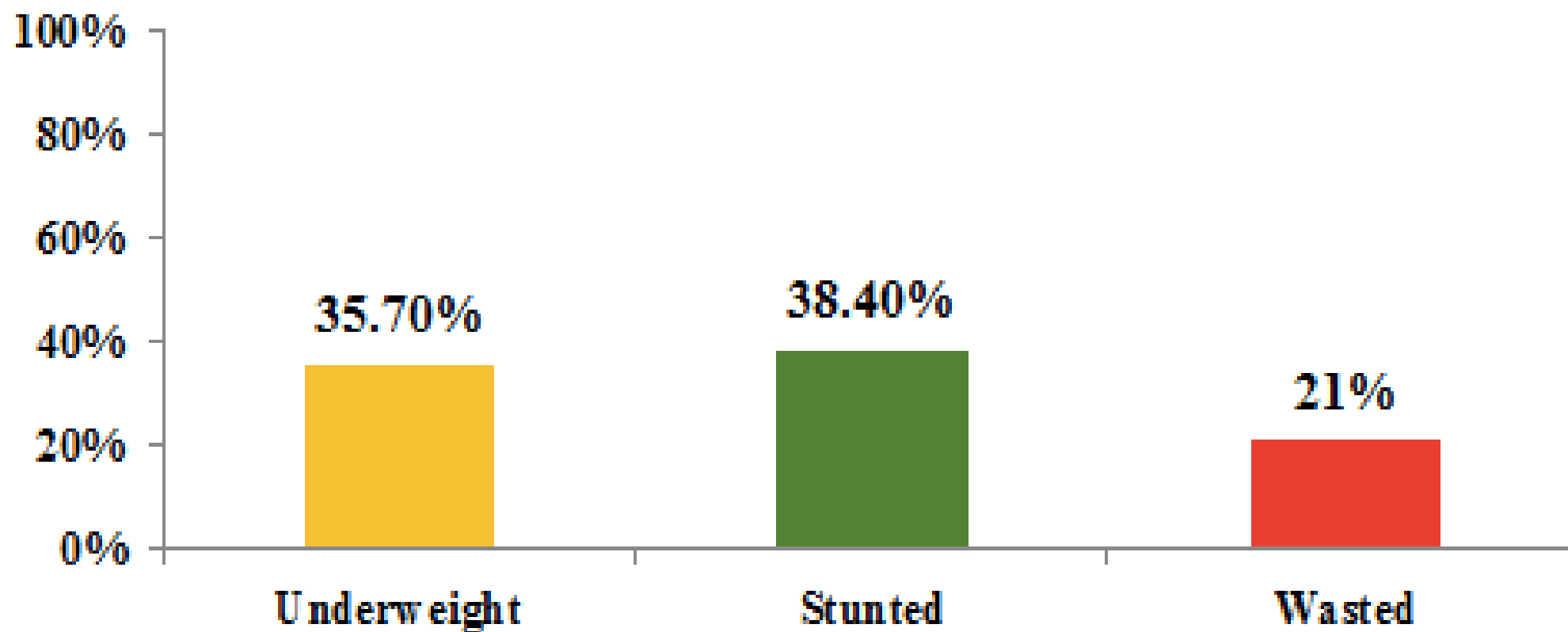
children under 5 are ***overweight***

- **Malnutrition** was the primary reason behind **69 % of deaths** of children below the age of five in India, according to a UNICEF's **The State of the World's Children 2019 report**.

Stunting – 35% : Wasting – 17% : Overweight – 2%.

- **Global Nutrition Report 2020**, - India likely to miss Global nutrition target by 2025. (6 Targets fixed by “World Health Assembly” of WHO in 2012)

Undernutrition in India (NFHS 4, 2015-16) (%)



2. Umbrella ICDS (Integrated Child Development Services)

- Ministry of Women & Child Development.
- Centrally Sponsored Umbrella Scheme

A) Anganwadi Services Scheme

- a) **Beneficiaries** – Children in the age group of 0 – 6 years, Pregnant Women & Lactating Mothers.
- b) **Six Services** - Supplementary Nutrition, Pre-School Non-Formal Education, Nutrition and Health Education, Immunization, Health Check-Up and Referral Services

B) Poshan Abhiyaan (National Nutrition Mission).

C) Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY).

Beneficiaries – Pregnant Women & Lactating Mother (PW & LM)

Objective - Cash incentive amounting to Rs.5,000/- in three installments.

D) Scheme for Adolescent girls (SABALA)

(Rajiv Gandhi Scheme for Empowerment of Adolescent Girls)

Objective - Empower and improve their social status through nutrition, life skills and home skills.

(Nutritional and non- nutritional components)

Q . Consider the following statements:

1. Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) scheme is exclusively meant for children from 0-6 years of age.
2. ICDS aims to provide pre-school non formal education for children.
3. Various other schemes like SABLA are also implemented using the ICDS platform.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3

3. National Nutrition Mission (POSHAN Abhiyan)

- March 8, 2018
- Ministry of Women and Child Development.
- World's largest nutrition programme.
- Reduce **stunting**, **underweight**, and **low birth weight**, each by 2% per year & **Anemia** among young children, adolescents and women each by 3% per year until 2022.
- Achieve reduction in Stunting from 38.4% to 25% by 2022.
- Attainment of **malnutrition free India by 2022**.
- **September** – Poshan Mah

- Four Pillars of Abhiyan-

1. Inter-sectoral convergence for better service delivery
2. ICT based real time monitoring.
3. Intensified health and nutrition services for the first 1000 days
4. Jan Andolan.

- **Swasth Bharat Prerak programme**

1. Joint initiative of the MWCD and TATA trusts.
2. Supplement the Poshan Abhiyaan by providing managerial and administrative support to the district and state administration for effective implementation.

“Bhartiya Poshan Krishi Kosh” (November 2019)

1. Promote and reinforce healthy dietary practices both at the **individual and community level** and tackle malnutrition in a sustainable manner.
2. Ministry of Women and Child Development along with **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation** (BMGF).
3. Has two components-
 - a) Development of Food Atlas.
 - b) Documentation of promising practices.

• The five-point action programme

1. Ensure protein intake in form of pulses to eradicate protein hunger among women and children.
2. Eradicate hidden hunger due to micro-nutrient deficiency such as vitamin A, vitamin B, Iron and Zinc.
3. Ensure supply of clean drinking water.
4. Ensure calorie rich diet for women, especially pregnant women and children.
5. Spreading nutrition literacy in every village, especially among women with children less than 100 days old.

➤ Consider the following statements with reference to National Nutrition Mission (NNM):

1. The National Nutrition Council has been set up for the mission, under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister.
2. The Agro-Food Atlas, a repository of diverse crops across agro-climatic zones has been developed to complement the Mission.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

4. Mission for Empowerment & Protection for Women

- Ministry of Women & Child Development.
- Centrally Sponsored Umbrella Scheme

A. Mahila Shakti Kendra scheme

1. Empowers rural women through community participation.
2. Involvement of Student Volunteers.

B. Swadhar Greh scheme

1. Women victims of unfortunate circumstances.
2. Institutional support for rehabilitation.

C . Ujjawala

1. A Comprehensive Scheme for Prevention of trafficking and Rescue, Rehabilitation and Re-integration of Victims of Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation.

D . One Stop Centre (OSC) (Sakhi)

1. Women affected by violence.
2. Integrated range of services including police, medical, legal, psychological support and temporary shelter.
3. Funded through Nirbhaya Fund.

E . Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP)

1. Ministries of Women and Child Development, Health & Family Welfare and Human Resource Development.
2. Address declining Child Sex Ratio (CSR)
3. Effective enforcement of Pre-Conception & Pre Natal Diagnostic Techniques (PC&PNDT) Act.
4. Ensuring survival & protection of girl child.
5. Ensuring education & participation of girl child.
6. Scheme has no provision for collection of donations.
7. Sukanya Samriddhi yojana- Meet educational & marriage expenses of girl child.

Q. Which of the following statements is/are correct

1. Mahila Shakti Kendra Scheme empowers all women through community participation.
2. Swadhar Greh Scheme is for rescue & rehabilitation of victims of Trafficking & commercial sexual exploitation.
3. Sukanya Samridhi Account is part of SAKHI scheme.

Chose the answer from given code

- a) 1 & 2
- b) 1, 2 & 3
- c) 2 & 3
- d) None of the above

Q. With reference to the Nirbhaya Fund, recently in the news, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It provides for a non-lapsable corpus fund to support initiatives of government and NGOs.
2. Central Victim Compensation Fund (CVCF) is a sub component of Nirbhaya Fund provided by the Centre to the states as an yearly grant.
3. The Ministry of Women and Child Development is the nodal authority to appraise schemes under the Nirbhaya Fund.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1 and 3 only

5. PM- SYM (Shram Yogi Mandhan)

- Pension Scheme for Unorganised Sector.
- Voluntary and contributory pension scheme.
- Ministry of Labour & Employment (5th March 2019).
- Minimum assured pension of Rs 3000 per month after attaining age of 60 years.
- Family pension is applicable only to spouse.(50% of pension)
- LIC is the pension fund manager and responsible for pension pay out.

- **Eligibility Criteria**

1. Should be an unorganized worker (UW)
2. Entry age between 18 and 40 years
3. Monthly Income ₹15000 or below

Q. Who among the following is not eligible for Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-Dhan (PM-SYM)?

- a) A person working at a construction site
- b) A non-taxpayer
- c) A person whose income is not more than Rs.15,000.
- d) A ragpicker who is a senior citizen

Q. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Kisan Mandhan Yojana (PM-KMY), which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It is an old age pension scheme for all land holding Small and Marginal Farmers (SMFs).
2. General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC) will be the Pension Fund Manager for the scheme.
3. The scheme will be implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

Q. “ Scheme aims to map residential ownership in rural sector using modern technology to create property ownership record of land. The guidelines are issued by Union Ministry of Rural Development & Panchayat Raj for implementation of scheme in six states on pilot basis – Harayana, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh & Uttarakhand”

The scheme referred above is

- a) LaQshya
- b) E-bhoomi
- c) Svamitva
- d) Swabhoomi

6. SWADES

(Skilled Workers Arrival Database for Employment Support)

- Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Ministry of Civil Aviation & Ministry of External Affairs.
- June 2020
- Part of the **Vande Bharat Mission**.
- **National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)** is supporting the implementation of the project.

- Aim is to create a database of qualified citizens.
- Returning citizens are required to fill up an online **SWADES Skills Card**.
- Card will facilitate a strategic framework to provide the returning citizens with suitable employment opportunities

Q. Consider the following statements about the scheme launched by the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship.

1. 'SWADES' is a Digital Learning Platform to provide job seekers with access to free online coursework.
2. 'Skills Build Reignite' aims to create a database of skills of returning qualified citizens under the Vande Bharat Mission.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

7. PM – KISAN (Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana)

- 24th February 2019
- Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.
- Central Sector Scheme.
- Income support of Rs.6000/- per year is provided to small and marginal farmers holding land up to 2 hectares.
- Three equal installments of Rs.2000/- each every four months.
- Fund is directly transferred to the bank accounts of the beneficiaries.

Why in the News ?

1. Odisha to merge "Kalia" scheme with PM-KISAN

• "Kalia" - **Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augmentation.**

1. Small and marginal cultivators, are entitled to get Rs 10,000 in two instalments for two crops in a year.
2. Landless agricultural farmers are also eligible to get Rs 12,500 per annum for three years.

2. Special drive to provide concessional credit through **Kisan Credit Cards.**

Q. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi Scheme, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It aims to provide direct income support to all land holding farmers.
2. The beneficiaries of the scheme are identified from the Agriculture census 2015-16.
3. The cash transfers are indexed to local inflation.

Select the correct answer using the code given below

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

8. NSAP (National Social Assistance programme)

- 15th August 1995 (Ministry of Rural Development)
- At present comprises of-
 - 1) IGNOAPS – Indira Gandhi National old age pension scheme.
Age : 60 years & above.
(60 to 79 – Rs 200 p.m. & above 80 yrs – Rs 500 p.m.)
 - 2) IGNWPS – Indira Gandhi national widow pension scheme.
Age : 40 years to 79 years – Rs 300 p.m.
& 80 years & above – Rs 500 p.m.

3) **IGNDPS** – Indira Gandhi National Disability Scheme.

Disability Level : 80 % & above

Age : 18 years to 79 years : Rs 300 p.m.

80 years & above : Rs 500 p.m.

4) **NFBS** – National Family Benefit Scheme.

5) **Annapurna**. - 10 kgs of food grains (wheat or rice) is given per month per beneficiary.

Q. Consider the following statements about PAiSA portal which is in news

1. It is a portal of eNAM to connect all APMC within state.
2. Designed & developed by NABARD in collaboration with IBM.
3. It is portal for processing interest subvention on bank loans under DAY-NULM (Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- National Urban livelihood mission.)
4. Disbursal of Revolving fund to SHG was on boarded on PAiSA portal in April 2020 on pilot basis in Gujarat.

Which among above statements is/are correct

- a) 1 & 2
- b) 2 & 4
- c) 2 & 3
- d) 3 & 4

Q Which among the following statements about Aajeevika is/ are correct

1. Ministry of Rural Development signed MoU with Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to support livelihood activities in rural areas during COVID-19.
2. It is restructured scheme of SGRY (Sampoorna Garmin Rojgar Yojana).
3. Uttar Pradesh became first state to have 10 Lakh SHG managed by women under Aajeevika.
4. It is largest wage employment programme in World.

- a) 1, 2 & 4
- b) 2 & 4
- c) 3 & 4
- d) 1 only.

Q . It is a scheme of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj. It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS). The primary aim is to strengthen Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs) for achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with the main thrust on convergence with Mission Antyodaya and emphasis on strengthening PRIs in the 117 Aspirational districts. The scheme focuses on basic orientation training for the Elected Representatives of Panchayats.

Which one of the following schemes has been referred to in the above passage?

- a) Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana
- b) Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan
- c) Saansad Adarsh Gram Yojana
- d) National Rurban Mission (NRuM)

Why in the News ?

- Ex-gratia of Rs 500 under “Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana” for beneficiaries of IGNOAPS,IGNWPS & IGNDPS during COVID 19 lockdown.

9. Ayushman Bharat

- Vision of Universal Health Coverage (**UHC**).
- Centrally Sponsored Scheme.
- Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, MoHFW.
- **Components of Ayushman Bharat**
 - A . Health and Wellness Centres (**HWCs**)
 - B . Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (**PM-JAY**)

A . Health and Wellness Centers (HWCs)

- Deliver Comprehensive Primary Health Care (**CPHC**) bringing healthcare closer to the homes of people.
- Cover both, **maternal and child health services and non-communicable diseases**, including free essential drugs and diagnostic services.
- In February 2018, the Government of India announced the creation of 1,50,000 Health and Wellness Centres (HWCs) by transforming the existing Sub Centres and Primary Health Centres.

B. Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY)

- World's largest health insurance/ assurance scheme fully financed by the government.
- Launched on **23rd September, 2018** in Ranchi, Jharkhand.
- Provides a cover of **Rs. 5 lakhs per family** per year for **secondary and tertiary** care hospitalization across **public and private** empanelled hospitals in India.
- Over **10.74 crore poor and vulnerable entitled families** (approximately 50 crore beneficiaries) are eligible for these benefits.
- Provides **cashless** access to health care services for the beneficiary at the point of service.

- Covers up to 3 days of pre-hospitalization and 15 days post-hospitalization expenses such as diagnostics and medicines.
- No restriction on the family size, age or gender.
- Beneficiaries are identified based on the **Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC)** data in the rural and the urban areas.
- National Health Authority (**NHA**) – implementing agency.

Why in the News ?

1. Providing free testing & treatment for Covid-19 under scheme.
2. Supreme court served notice
 - 1 Delhi
 - 2 Odisha
 - 3 Telangana
 - 4 West Bengal

Question

- Consider the following statements with respect to the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY):
 1. All public hospitals above Public Health Centres in the States implementing PMJAY, are automatically deemed empanelled under the scheme.
 2. Private hospitals are empanelled under the scheme by the State Health Agencies of respective States.
 3. Health Benefit Package rates for the scheme are decided by respective State Health Agencies.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

10. CoNTeC (COVID-19 National Teleconsultation Centre)

- Minister of Health & Family Welfare (30th March 2020)
- Implemented by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS).
- Telemedicine Hub
- Connect the Doctors across the country to AIIMS in real time for treatment of the COVID-19 patients.(24X7)

- Multi-modal telecommunications hub through which 2-way audio-video and text communications.
- Single mobile number **(+91 9115444155)** can be dialed from anywhere in the country/world by COVID-19 treating doctors to reach the CoNTeC.

11. National Digital Health Mission

- 15th August 2020
- Pilot Basis – Union Territories
(Chandigarh, Ladakh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, Puducherry, Andaman & Nicobar Islands & Lakshadweep)
- Holistic & Voluntary
- Connecting various stake holders in one integrated digital health infrastructure.
- Improve Efficiency, Effectiveness & Transparency
- Implemented by – **NHA** (National Health Authority) attached to **“Ministry of Health & Family Welfare”**.

- Its Six Key Building Blocks

1 . Health ID

2 . DigiDoctor

3 . Health Facility register

4 . Personal Health Records

5 . E – Pharmacy

6 . Telemedicine

Q. Consider the following statements.

- 1 . CoNTeC is implemented by National Health Authority (NHA).
2. To create a Health ID under National Digital Health Mission Adhar card is mandatory.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) Both 1 & 2
- b) 1 is correct
- c) 2 is correct
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

12. “SWASTHYA”

- Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
- 17th august 2020.
- Tribal Health & Nutrition Portal.
- One-stop solution for the health & nutrition status of the tribal population.
- It has a dashboard, knowledge repository, partner segment, Sickle Cell Diseases (SCD) support corner.
- The dashboard presents data gathered for the **177 identified high priority tribal districts**.
- It encourages people with Sickle Cell disease or traits to register themselves.

- **Piramal Swasthya**

To act as Centre of Excellence for Knowledge Management (**CoE for KM**) for Health and Nutrition.

- **“ALEKH”** E- Newsletter- To be released on Quarterly basis.

(Showcase the works of different stakeholders involved in improving health and nutrition of tribal.)

Question

- Which of the following statement is correct about **ALEKH**?
 - a) It is E-Newsletter of National Digital Health Mission (NDHM) to provide quarterly assessment report.
 - b) It is digital dashboard of Poshan Abhiyaan.
 - c) It is E- Newsletter to showcase health & nutrition standards of Tribals.
 - d) It is Digital portal of Samagra Shiksha.

13. GOAL (Going Online As Leaders)

- Ministry of Tribal Affairs (**Niti Ayog & Facebook.**)
- Mentorship to tribal youth through Digital mode.
- Digital Literacy, Life Skills and Leadership and Entrepreneurship.
- Upskill and empower 5,000 tribal youths in the current phase.
- Efforts will be made to **integrate the program with other government schemes** such as Kaushal Vikas Yojana, Skill India, Start Up India, Stand Up India, among others.

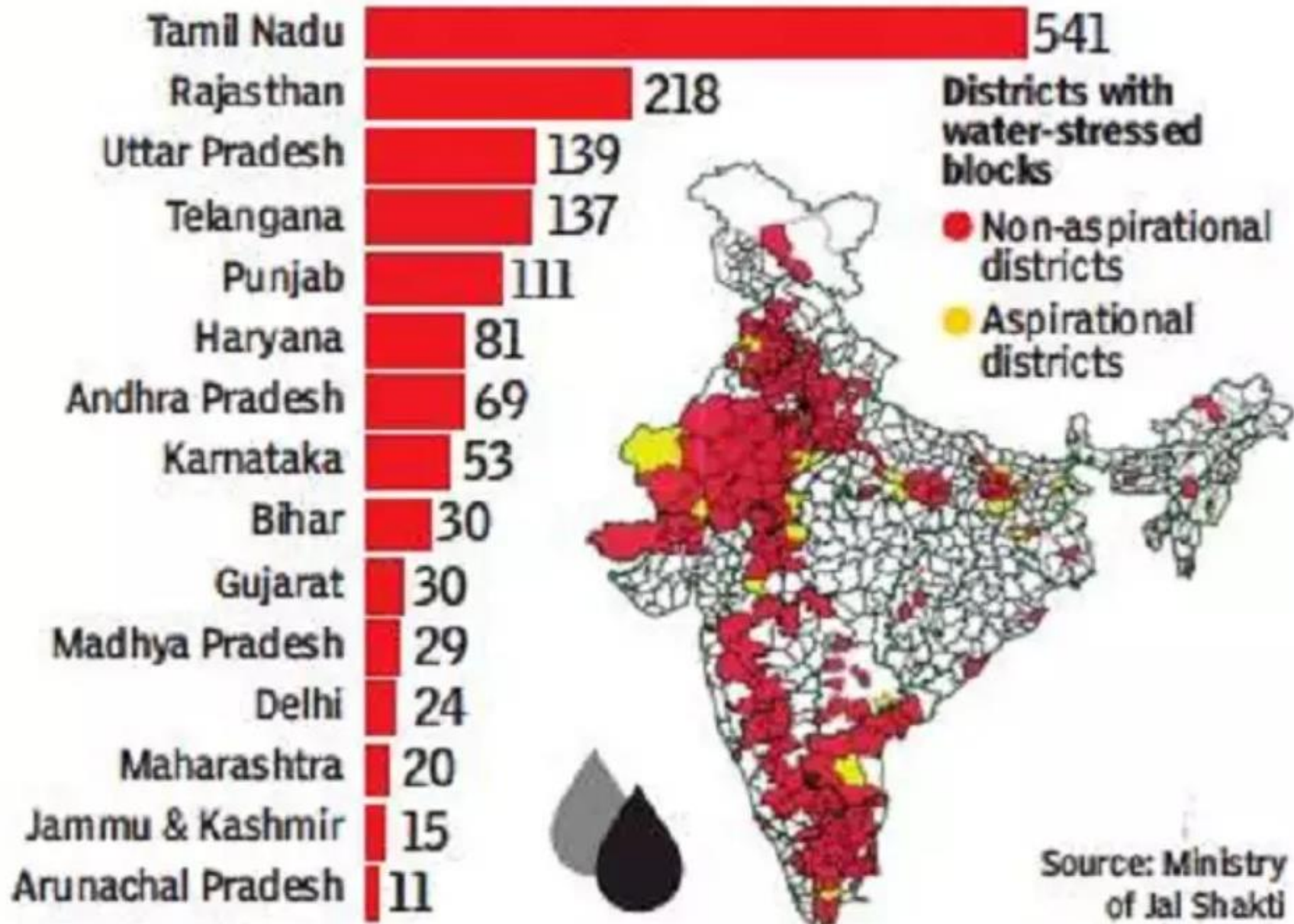
Q With reference to Going Online as Leaders (GOAL) initiative, consider the following statements:

- 1.It aims to provide online e-commerce platforms to tribal people to sell their products.
- 2.The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has partnered with NITI Aayog and Facebook for its implementation.
- 3.Under this initiative, Young women from Tribal Areas will receive Digital Skills Training.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

Number of water-stressed blocks



17. Jal jeevan Mission

- August 2019
- **Ministry of Jal Shakti.**
- Piped drinking water to all Rural Households by 2024.
- Rs 23,500 Cr allocated for 2020-21.

- Five year Budget of Rs 3.6 Lakh Cr.

- Funding Pattern
 - 1) Centre & States – 50 : 50
 - 2) NE & Himalayan States – 90 : 10
 - 3 Union Territories – 100% by centre.

Executing agency: “Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation”



Piped water supply to
all rural households
by 2024



Integrated demand and
supply side management
of water at the local level



JAL JEEVAN MISSION



Will converge with
other Central and
State Government
Schemes



Creation of local
infrastructure for
rainwater harvesting,
groundwater recharge
and management of household
waste water for reuse in
agriculture

Q Consider the following statements with reference to the accessibility of potable water:

1. Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) aims to ensure Har Ghar Jal (piped water supply) to all households by 2024.
2. 'Rashtriya Jal Jeevan Kosh' will mobilize and accept donations/contributions from various sources to fund JJM.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

18. Atal Bhujal Yojana

- Central Sector Scheme (2020-21 to 2024-25)
- **Ministry of Jal Shakti**
- 25th December 2019
- Rs 6000 Cr Project
- Community Participation & Demand Driven

Sl.No.	State	Districts	Blocks	GPs
1	Gujarat	6	24	1,816
2	Haryana	13	36	1,895
3	Karnataka	14	41	1,199
4	Madhya Pradesh	5	9	678
5	Maharashtra	13	35	1,339
6	Rajasthan	17	22	876
7	Uttar Pradesh	10	26	550
	TOTAL	78	193	8,353

1 . Institutional Strengthening & Capacity Building component (1400 Cr)

2 . Incentive Component (4600 Cr)

- (i) Public disclosure of groundwater data/ information and reports (10%)
- (ii) Preparation of Community-led Water Security Plans (15%)
- (iii) Public financing of interventions through convergence of on-going schemes (20%)
- (iv) Adoption of practices for efficient water use (40%)
- (v) Improvement in the rate of decline of groundwater levels (15%)

Question

- With reference to the Atal Bhujal Yojana, which of the following statements is/are **correct**?
 1. It will promote Panchayat led ground water management and behavioral change.
 2. This scheme will strengthen the institutional framework for participatory groundwater management in all the states.
 3. Under the scheme, the entire Central Assistance shall be passed on to the Panchayats directly as Grants.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 1 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 2 and 3 only

19. PMKSY (Pradhan mantra Krishi Sinchayi Yojana)

- 2015-2016 to 2019-2020
- Total Outlay – Rs 50,000 Cr.
- Four components of PMKSY
 1. **AIBP** – Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme. (Ministry of Jal Shakti)
 2. **HKKP** – Har khet ko Pani (Ministry of Jal Shakti)
 3. **PDMC** – Per Drop More Crop (Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare)
 4. **WD** – Watershed Development (**Department of Land Resources**)

- **CADP** – Command area Development Programme.
(Bridge / narrow the gap between irrigation potential created and actually utilized in major and medium irrigation schemes)
- **OFWM**- On Farm water Management.
(Component of National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture **NMSA**)
- **AIBP**- Central Financial assistance to States for completion of Major & Medium irrigation projects.
- **LTIF** – Long Term Irrigation Fund. (2016-2020)
- **MIF** – Micro Irrigation Fund.(2018-20)

Q. With reference to the components of the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayi Yojana (PMKSY), consider the following pairs:

Component

Objective

1. Har Khet ko Pani	-	Command Area Development
2. Per Drop More Crop	-	Extension activities to promote scientific moisture conservation
3. Watershed Development	-	Distribution network from source to the farm
4. Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme	-	Construction of ongoing Micro Irrigation projects

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 3 and 4 only
- d) 2, 3 and 4 only

Q . Desertification is the degradation process by which a fertile land changes itself into a desert by losing its flora and fauna. In this context, which of the following schemes can help India in combating desertification?

1. Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)
2. Soil Health Card Scheme
3. National Agriculture Market (e-NAM)
4. Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayi Yojna (PKSY)
5. Per Drop More Crop

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- a) 1, 3 and 4 only
- b) 1, 2, 4 and 5 only
- c) 2, 3 and 5 only
- d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

Q . Consider the following statements regarding Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana:

1. The Scheme envisages Promotion of commercial organic production through certified organic farming.
2. Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana is a component of the National Mission of Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA).
- 3 . It is a central sector scheme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

Q. Consider the following statements regarding “Neeranchal”.

1. The project is to create livelihood opportunities in NE states with special focus on skill development.
2. Largest watershed management project in the world implemented in all states with special focus for water stressed districts.
3. It is implemented by Ministry of Jal Shakti.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct.

- a) 1 & 2 only
- b) 2 & 3 only
- c) 3 only
- d) None of the above.

Crop Insurance

1 PMFBY (Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana)

2 RWBCIS (Restructured Weather Based Crop Insurance Scheme)

20 . PMFBY

- 2016
- Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.
- To reduce the premium burden on farmers and ensure early settlement of crop assurance claim for the full insured sum. (Natural calamities, pests & disease)
- **Mandatory** for farmers who have taken Institutional loans from banks.
- Premium to be paid by Farmer-
 - 1) Kharif Crops – 2%
 - 2) Rabi Crops – 1.5%
 - 3) Commercial & Horticulture crop – 5%

Why in the News ?

Mukhya Mantri Kisan Sahay Yojana (August 2020)

Revamped (February 2020)

- Allocation of business to Insurance Companies to be done for three years.
- Centre to restrict its Premium subsidy
 - 30% for Unirrigated area
 - 25% for irrigated area
- Voluntary enrolment for all Farmers.
- Central Share in Premium Subsidy to be increased to 90% for N-E states.
- Districts having 50% or more irrigated area will be considered as irrigated area/district.

Q. Consider the following statements with respect to Crop Insurance Schemes:

1. Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana does not cover commercial crops.
2. The Revenue Insurance Scheme for Plantation Crops protects plantation growers from the income loss caused by fall in domestic/international price fluctuation.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

21. PMMSY (Pradhan Mantri matsya sampada Yojna)

(Scheme for Agro-Marine Processing & Development of Agro-Processing Clusters)

- Two Components – Central Sector Scheme (**SC**) & Centrally Sponsored Scheme (**CSS**).
- Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying.
- Launched on 10th September 2020 (FY 2020-21 to FY 2024-25)
- Cluster or area-based approach.

- Total estimated investment of **Rs. 20,050 crore**
 1. Central share of Rs. 9,407 crore
 2. State share of Rs. 4,880 crore
 3. Beneficiaries' share of Rs. 5,763 crore.

(Rs 11,000 Crore – Marine, Inland & Aquaculture)

- The Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) Component is segregated into

Non-beneficiary oriented and **Beneficiary orientated**

sub-components/activities under the following three broad heads:

- a) Enhancement of Production and Productivity
- b) Infrastructure and Post-Harvest Management
- c) Fisheries Management and Regulatory Framework

A). For **Beneficiary oriented**

Central assistance will be

- 1) Up to 40% of the unit/project cost for General category and
- 2) 60% for SC/ST/Women category.

B). For **Non- Beneficiary Oriented**

NE & Himalayan States – 90 : 10

Other States – 60 : 40

Union Territories – 100 %

22. “TOP” To “TOTAL”

- Operation Green – Providing subsidy for Transportation & Storage.
(Tomato, Onion & Potato)
- MoFPI (Ministry of Food Processing & Industries)
- TOTAL – All Fruits & Vegetables.

- Features-
 1. 50% subsidy on transportation.
 2. 50% subsidy on storage, including cold storage.

(6 Months Scheme @ Rs 500 Cr from 11th June 2020)

Q. Consider the following statement about Operation Greens:

1. This scheme is sub scheme under PM kisan sampada yojana
2. The scheme aims for an integrated development of tomato, onion and potato (TOP) value chain.
3. The scheme is implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture.

Select the correct answer using code below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

23. TULIP (The Urban Learning Internship Program)

- Ministry of HRD, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, & All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)

4th June 2020

- To provide internship opportunities to 25,000 fresh graduates in all Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) and Smart Cities across the country.
- Any graduate can apply within 18 months from date of its graduation.

- Internship durations can range from eight weeks to one year.
- An important stepping stone for fulfilment of MHRD and AICTE's goal of 1 crore successful internships by the year 2025.

24. Swayam & Swayam Prabha

(Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds)

- July 9, 2017
- Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) and NPTEL, IIT Madras with the help of Google Inc. and Persistent Systems Ltd.
- Provide one integrated platform and portal for online courses
- Class 9 till post-graduation.
- Achieve - **Access, Equity and Quality.**

- Four Quadrants of Swayam-

1. Video Lecture.

2. Reading material that can be downloaded/printed.

3. Self- assessment.

4. Online discussion forum.

- **SWAYAM PRABHA**

1. 32 DTH channels.
2. Telecast high quality education. (GSAT 15)
3. The contents are provided by **NPTEL, IITs, UGC, CEC, IGNOU, NCERT and NIOS.**
4. **INFLIBNET** Centre maintains the web portal.

PM eVIDYA – (30th May, 2020)

1. Multi-mode access to digital/online education.
2. 12 DTH channels will be introduced.
3. Bring together Digital Platforms. (Dikksha, Swayam, Radio etc.)
4. Special e-content would be developed for visually and hearing impaired.
5. Top 100 Universities were permitted to start online courses from May 30.

- **PM eVIDYA**- A programme for multi-mode access to digital/online education to be launched immediately; consisting of:
 - DIKSHA for school education in states/UTs: e-content and QR coded energized textbooks for all grades (**one nation, one digital platform**)
 - One earmarked TV channel per class from 1 to 12 (**one class, one channel**)
 - Extensive use of **radio, community radio and podcasts**
 - Special **e-content for visually and hearing impaired**
 - **Top 100 universities** will be permitted to automatically start online courses by 30th May, 2020

Q . Consider the following statements with reference to SWAYAM (Study web of active learning for young aspiring minds):

1. It is a platform developed by All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) to bridge the digital divide among students.
2. Courses and Certificates provided through SWAYAM are available free of cost to the learners.
3. It hosts courses that are available for students of Class 9th till Post Graduation.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 3 only
- d) 1 and 2 only

25. Samagra Shiksha

- Integrated scheme for School education.
- MHRD, 2018
- Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (**SSA**), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (**RMSA**) and Teacher Education (**TE**)
- Main Focus on **Teacher & Technology**.
- Centrally Sponsored Scheme-
 - 60 : 40 For all States & Union Territories with Legislatures
 - 90 : 10 For NE & Himalayan States.
 - 100% for remaining Union Territories.

Why in the News ?

1 STARS Project (Strengthening Teaching-Learning and Results for States)

- Implemented through Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan.
- World Bank assisted. (**\$500 million**) (**June 2020**)
- Improve learning outcome & Governance of Government Schools.
- Six states - Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha and Rajasthan.

2. NISHTA (National Initiative for School Heads and Teachers Holistic Advancement)

- a) National Mission to improve learning outcomes at the elementary level through an Integrated Teacher Training Programme.(21st August 2019)
- b) To build competencies among all the teachers and school principals at the elementary stage.
- c) Basic objective of this massive training programme is to motivate and equip teachers to encourage and foster critical thinking in students.

Q. What is the objective of the 'NISHTHA' programme?

- a) To motivate and equip teachers to encourage and foster critical thinking in students.
- b) To train academic heads, who are likely to assume leadership roles in the future.
- c) To provide a fully IT based Student Financial Aid Authority to administer and monitor scholarship as well as Educational Loan Schemes.
- d) To encourage economically weaker differently-abled students to pursue technical education at Diploma and Degree levels.

Q . Consider the following statements about “Vidyanjali Yojana”.

- 1.To boost education sector in rural India for all schools with special emphasis on skill development.
- 2.Only trained teacher with minimum five years of experience can join as teacher.

Choose the correct answer by using given code.

- a) 1 is correct & 2 is false
- b) 1 is false & 2 is correct
- c) Both are correct
- d) Both are false.

Q. “It is one of World’s largest Integrated Online Junction school education to improve school education system by creating a junction for all online Portals & websites relating to various activities of Department of School education & Literacy in Government of India & Union Territories. Report cards of 15 lakh schools all over the country will be available on newly created Junction”

The online Junction mentioned above is

- a) INDRADHANUSH
- b) SHAGUN
- c) VARUN
- d) ALEEKHA

26. NSP 2.0 (National Scholarship Portal)

- Digital Scholarship Platform.
- Launched by - **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.**
- Designed and developed by **National Informatics Centre (NIC)**
- **Mission Mode Project** under the National e-Governance Plan (NeGP).

- **One-stop solution** for students covering pan India through which students of **various groups and ages** can avail the benefits of various scholarship schemes.
- **SMART** (Simplified, Mission-oriented, Accountable, Responsive & Transparent) system for effective and faster disposal of scholarships.
- Presently, **18 Ministries/ Departments/ States, 60 Schemes (Central/ States) & 14.5 lakh Universities/ Boards/ Institutions** are on-boarded in NSP 2.0

27. NEAT (National Education Alliance For Technology)

- Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD)
- September 2019 (PPP)
- Implementing agency - All India Council for Technical Education (**AICTE**)
- To provide wider access to adaptive learning technologies using Artificial intelligence (AI) in Higher Education.

- Concept of Massive Open Online Courses (**MOOCS**) platform.
- MHRD would create and maintain a **National NEAT platform** that would provide one-stop access.
- EdTech companies would be responsible for developing solutions and manage registration of learners through the NEAT portal.

Q . With reference to National Educational Alliance for Technology (NEAT), which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It will utilize Artificial Intelligence to make learning more personalized and customised.
2. It is a programme for school education extending from pre-school to class 12.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

28. Ind-SAT (Indian Scholastic Assessment)

- Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD)
- Under “Study in India Programme”
- Aptitude test for International students to avail Scholarships.(22nd July 2020)
- NTA (National Testing Agency)
- Nepal, Ethiopia, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, Sri-Lanka, Kenya, Zambia, Indonesia and Mauritius.
- 80% Scholarships – Undergraduate students
20% Scholarships – Post graduates.

- Q. Which of the following is not a feature of the 'Study in India scheme'?
- a) It is a joint initiative of the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Ministry of External Affairs and Ministry of Home Affairs.
 - b) It's primary objective is to target foreign students by branding India as an attractive education destination.
 - c) The programme envisages participation of select reputed Indian institutes by way of offering seats for international students at affordable rates.
 - d) The proposed fee waivers to meritorious foreign students in this policy will be borne by the government from the proceeds of education cess.

29. YuWaah (Generation Unlimited)

- Ministry of Women & Child Development in association with UNICEF.
- 1st November 2019
- Global multi-sector & multi-stakeholder.
- Education, skill development and employment opportunities
- Age 10 – 24.
- Skills for youth inside and outside formal education systems.
- “U Report” digital survey – To listen & engage youth.

Q. With reference YuWaah scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It aims to integrate career guidance and school education.
2. It is a part of UNESCO's 'Generation Unlimited' programme.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

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

30. SATYABHAMA

(Science and Technology Yojana for Atmanirbhar Bharat in Mining Advancement)

- Ministry of Mines (15th June 2020)
- Allows online submission of project proposals along with monitoring of the projects and utilization of funds / grants
- Designed, developed and implemented by the National Informatics Centre (**NIC**).
- To promote research and development in the mining and minerals sector.
- The portal is integrated with **NGO Darpan Portal** of NITI Aayog.

Question

- Consider the following statements
 1. SWASTHYA is initiative of Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD).
 2. SATYABHAMA is initiative of Ministry of Women & Child Development.
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- a) Both 1 & 2 are correct.
 - b) 1 is correct & 2 is False.
 - c) Both 1 & 2 are False.
 - d) 1 is False & 2 is correct.

31. MPLADS (Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme)

- 1993 (Central Sector Scheme)
- Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation. **(MOSPI)**
- **MP is entitled to spend Rs 5 crore annually.**
- 15 per cent of the MPLADS entitlement for the year for areas inhabited by Scheduled Caste population and 7.5 per cent for areas inhabited by Schedule Tribe population.

- Enable Members of Parliament (MPs) to **recommend development works** in their constituencies with emphasis on the creation of durable community assets based on the locally felt need.
- From 2016 Funds can also be used for implementing schemes like Swach Bharat Abhiyan, Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojana etc.
- Funds are released in the form of **grants in-aid** directly to the District authorities & **non-lapsable**.

Why in the News ?

1. Union Cabinet approved suspension of scheme for two years.
2. The amount saved can go to the Consolidated Fund of India to fight COVID-19. (**Rs 7,900 crores**)