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Candidates should keep updating their knowledge about this section by going through a list of government projects in India provided by the Government, and reading more about each scheme. The following UPSC MCQs are based on the IAS Prelims syllabus:

Q1. Which of the following statements is/are incorrect regarding 'Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana:

1. The scheme will cover expenses for primary health care.
2. The scheme will be cashless & paperless at public hospitals and empanelled private hospitals.
3. The benefit only includes pre-hospitalization expenses and not post-hospitalisation expenses.

Select the correct Answer using the codes given below:

1. a) 1 and 2 only
2. b) 2 and 3 only
3. c) 2 only
4. d) 1 and 3 only

Q2. Recently Ministry of AYUSH launched a new scheme for promoting Pharmacovigilance of AYUSH drugs, consider the following:

1. It is a central sector scheme.
2. Prime objective of the scheme is to develop the culture of documenting adverse effects and undertake safety monitoring of AYUSH drugs.
3. The scheme intends to facilitate the establishment of three-tier network of National Pharmacovigilance Centre (NPvCC), Intermediary Pharmacovigilance Centres (IPvCCs) and Peripheral Pharmacovigilance Centres (PPvCC).

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

1. a) 2 and 3 only
2. b) 2 only
3. c) 3 only
4. d) All of the above

Q3. Which one of the following is correct regarding 'Suryashakti Kisan Yojana (SKY)', that was in the news recently?

1. a) It is a solar power scheme and it enables farmers to generate electricity through a solar panel
2. b) It is for improving soil fertility by the use of solar energy.
3. c) It is for making biofertilizer through agriculture waste.
4. d) None of the above

Q4. The first freight village of India is being developed at

1. Haldia
2. Ennore
3. Varanasi
4. Prayagraj

UPSC MCQs on this subject are mostly of multiple answers and combined response type, though best answer and odd one out type questions are also asked. True or false type questions are rare in this subject.

Government Schemes for UPSC

UPSC Prelims covers Government Schemes under Economic and Social Development, though questions related to government schemes can also appear in the Current Affairs section. Indian Polity and Governance also has some overlap with Government Schemes, especially in the public policy and rights issues segment.

The IAS exam focuses on Government Schemes in the following papers in the Mains exam:

- General Studies Paper II:
 - Government policies and interventions for development in various sectors and issues arising out of their design and implementation.
 - Welfare schemes for vulnerable sections of the population by the Centre and States and the performance of these schemes; mechanisms, laws, institutions and Bodies constituted for the protection and betterment of these vulnerable sections.
 - Issues relating to the development and management of Social Sector/Services relating to Health, Education, Human Resources.
- General Studies Paper III:
 - Indian Economy and issues relating to planning, mobilization of resources, growth, development and employment.
 - Government Budgeting.
 - e-technology in the aid of farmers.
 - Issues related to direct and indirect farm subsidies and minimum support prices; Public Distribution System- objectives, functioning, limitations, revamping; issues of buffer stocks and food security; Technology missions;
 - Land reforms in India.
- Optional Papers:
 - Agriculture:
 - Agricultural extension, its importance and role, methods of evaluation of extension programmes, socio-economic survey and status of big, small and marginal farmers and landless agricultural labourers; Training programmes for extension workers. Role of Krishi Vigyan Kendra's (KVK) in dissemination of Agricultural technologies. Non-Government Organisation (NGO) and self-help group approach for rural development.

- Anthropology:
 - Problems of the tribal Communities:
 - Developmental projects and their impact on tribal displacement and problems of rehabilitation. Development of forest policy and tribals.
 - Social change and contemporary tribal societies : Impact of modern democratic institutions, development programmes and welfare measures on tribals and weaker sections.
- Economics:
 - New Economic Policy and Employment : Employment and poverty, Rural wages, Employment Generation, Poverty alleviation schemes, New Rural, Employment Guarantee Scheme.
- Geography:
 - Regional Development and Planning: Integrated rural development programmes
- Public Administration:
 - Rural development programmes
- Sociology:
 - Rural and Agrarian Transformation in India
 - Programmes of rural development, Community Development Programme, cooperatives, poverty alleviation schemes.

As is clear from the above list, Government Schemes and related concepts cover a sizeable portion of the [UPSC syllabus](#) for both Prelims and Mains.