

**Q: Consider the following statement regarding SBI Report on Indian Economy:**

1. India is likely to become the third-largest economy in the world by 2029.
2. India should surpass Germany in 2027 and Japan by 2029 at the current rate of growth.
3. India's share in world GDP is now at 2.6 percent.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

Ans: a

Explanation:

- India is likely to become the third-largest economy in the world by 2029 due to a major structural shift since 2014, according to a State Bank of India (SBI) research report.
- The path taken by India since 2014 reveals the nation is likely to get the tag of the third-largest economy in 2029, a movement of seven places upwards since 2014 when India was ranked 10<sup>th</sup>.
- The report highlighted that owing to looming uncertainties, a growth rate of 6-6.5 percent is the new normal in the global economy.
- India should surpass Germany in 2027 and most likely Japan by 2029 at the current rate of growth.
- India's share in world GDP is now at 3.5 percent, as against 2.6 percent in 2014, and is likely to cross four percent in 2027, the current share of Germany in global GDP.

**Q: Consider the following statement regarding the use Nano Urea in India:**

1. By 2030, India would be self-sufficient in urea production.
2. Nano urea is indigenously made liquid that contains nanoparticles of urea.
3. A single half-litre bottle of the liquid can compensate for a 45 kg sack of urea.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

Ans: b

Explanation:

- Nano urea is a patented and indigenously made liquid that contains nanoparticles of urea, the most crucial chemical fertilizer for farmers in India.
- A single half-litre bottle of the liquid can compensate for a 45 kg sack of urea that farmers traditionally rely on, it is claimed.
- The Union Ministry has claimed that by 2025, India's domestic urea production as well as production of nano urea would together mean India would be "self-sufficient" and would no longer require the 90 lakh tonnes that it imported every year and would save the country close to Rs. 40,000 crore.

**Q: Consider the following statement regarding Section 437 of the CrPC:**

1. It deals with bail in case of non-bailable offences.
2. Section 46 prohibit the arrest of a woman after sunset or before sunrise.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

- a) 1 Only
- b) 2 Only
- c) 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

Ans: c

Explanation:

- Section 437 of the CrPC deals with bail in case of non-bailable offences.
- However, it also contains exceptions in a proviso that says the court may grant bail even in these cases, “if such person is under the age of 16 or is a woman or is sick or infirm”.
- Earlier, through a 2005 amendment, a subsection was added to Section 46 to prohibit the arrest of a woman after sunset or before sunrise. However, in exceptional circumstances, a woman police officer can obtain the prior permission of a judicial magistrate to make the arrest.

**Q: Consider the following statement regarding Exercise Vostok-22:**

1. India is taking part in both military and maritime exercise.
2. Maritime part of the exercises would be held near the disputed Senkaku Islands.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

- a) 1 Only
- b) 2 Only
- c) 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

Ans: d

Explanation:

- From September 1-7, Russia is holding annual military exercises in its eastern region, with about 13 countries including India and China sending contingents.
- The countries that have sent military contingents are Algeria, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, China, Laos, Mongolia, Nicaragua, Syria and Tajikistan.
- India has only sent its army contingent of the 7/8 Gorkha Rifles, and will not take part in the maritime section of the two-part event.
- This is because, while the first part of the land exercises will be held in Russian military training grounds in Siberia and the Far Eastern Federal District, the maritime part of the exercises would be held in the Sea of Okhotsk and the Sea of Japan, near the disputed South Kuril islands.

**Q: Consider the following statement regarding Monkeypox disease:**

1. The origin and source of the disease are unknown.
2. First identified in in Denmark.
3. A zoonotic viral infection that infect human only.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

Ans: a

Explanation:

- Monkeypox was a neglected disease until early 2022, with few reports on cases, and that too from travellers, though the disease was endemic in Central and Eastern Africa for many years.
- First identified in 1958 as a disease in imported monkeys in Denmark, monkeypox is a zoonotic viral infection that can infect humans and other animals.
- The origin and source of the disease are however unknown, therefore the name ‘monkeypox’ remains a misnomer for the disease.