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1. Consider the following statements with respect to National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB):

1. It functions as a repository of information on crime and criminals to assist investigators.
2. It was constituted based on the recommendations of Santhanam Committee.
3. It functions under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are incorrect?

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

2. Consider the following statements with respect to Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC):

1. It is an ad-hoc body set up to address a specific issue.
2. To set up a JPC, a motion is passed in one House and supported by the other House.
3. There are twice as many Lok Sabha members as the Rajya Sabha.
4. The committee's members are decided by the Parliament.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

3. Consider the following statements with respect to Rat Hole Mining

1. The technique was primarily used to extract copper.
2. The Supreme Court has banned the „rat hole mines“ of Meghalaya in 2014.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

4. Consider the following statements with respect to Public Accounts Committee (PAC):

1. The members are elected according to the principle of proportional representation by means of single transferable vote.
2. All the members of PAC are elected from Lok Sabha only.
3. A minister cannot be elected as a member of the committee.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are incorrect?

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

5. Consider the following statements with respect to Dhubri-Phulbari Bridge:

1. It will be built across the River Brahmaputra.
2. It will connect Assam and West Bengal through which, connects the North Eastern states with the rest of the country.
3. It will be the longest river bridge in India after its completion.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

- a. 1 only
- b. 1 and 3 only
- c. 2 and 3 only

d. 1, 2 and 3

Answers

1. d

- National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) was set-up in 1986 to function as a repository of information on crime and criminal so as to assist the investigators in linking crime to the perpetrators, based on the recommendations of the National Police Commission (1977-1981) and the MHA's Task force (1985).
- It functions under the Ministry of Home Affairs.

2. d

- A Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) is set up to examine a particular bill presented before the Parliament, or for the purpose of investigating cases of financial irregularities in any government [activity](#).
- The JPC, an ad-hoc body, is set up for a given period of time and is aimed at addressing a specific issue.
- In order to set up a JPC, a motion is passed in one House and supported by the other House.
- The committee's members are decided by Parliament.
- The number of members can vary. There are twice as many Lok Sabha members as the Rajya Sabha.

3. d

- Rat hole mining is unique to the state of Meghalaya due to the thinness of the coal layer and is a cost-effective option to large scale mining due to a lot of overburden (mud and debris waste) being extracted.
- The National Green Tribunal banned the rat hole mines' of Meghalaya in 2014 .

4. a

- At present, PAC consists of 22 members (15 from the Lok Sabha and 7 from the Rajya Sabha).
- The members are elected by the Parliament every year from amongst its members according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote.
- The term of office of the members is one year. A minister cannot be elected as a member of the committee.
- Since 1967 a convention has developed whereby the chairman of the committee is selected invariably from the Opposition.

5. b

- It is the new bridge going to be constructed across Brahmaputra between Dhubri on North bank and Phulbari on South bank.
- It will connect Assam and Meghalaya with the rest of the country.
- At present, Dhola-Sadiya bridge over the Brahmaputra (Lohit river) is the longest one in the country.
- Once completed, Dhubri-Phulbari will be the longest bridge in the country beating the length of Dhola-Sadiya Bridge.

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