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DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ

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ANSWER & EXPLANATION:

Qn 1:

Correct Answer: c. 2 and 3 only

Explanation

- Statement 1 Incorrect
 - o In Shamsher Singh v. State of Punjab (1974), a seven-judge bench held that the Governor must act on the aid and advice of the Council of Ministers except in situations where the Constitution explicitly provides discretionary powers.
 - Hence, the Governor cannot act independently in all matters.
- Statement 2 Correct
 - o In *Rameshwar Prasad v. Union of India (2006)*, related to the dissolution of the Bihar Assembly, the Supreme Court ruled that the Governor's actions are **not immune from judicial scrutiny**.
 - This ensured that the Governor remains accountable under the rule of law.
- Statement 3 Correct
 - In the Tamil Nadu Governor Case (April 2025), the Madras High Court Division Bench introduced two major reforms:
 - 1. **Three-month timeline** for the Governor to act on Bills sent by the state legislature.
 - 2. If no action is taken within three months, the Bill will be considered **deemed assented**.
 - This ruling sought to prevent delays and uphold the federal balance.

Qn 2:

Correct Answer: B. 1 and 2 only

Explanation:

Statement 1 – Correct

• Cause of SCD:

- Sickle Cell Disease occurs due to a **point mutation in the beta-globin gene** (**HBB**) on chromosome 11.
- This mutation causes the substitution of **valine for glutamic acid** at the 6th position of the beta-globin chain, producing **Hemoglobin S (HbS)**.
- Under low oxygen conditions, HbS polymerizes, causing red blood cells to become rigid and sickle-shaped, leading to blockages in blood vessels and organ damage.

Statement 2 – Correct

• India's prevalence:

- India is among the top three countries globally (along with Nigeria and the Democratic Republic of Congo) in terms of the number of SCD cases, though Nigeria has the highest prevalence overall.
- In India, SCD is most common among tribal and some scheduled caste populations, particularly in:
 - Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Jharkhand, and Gujarat.
- According to ICMR, some tribal belts have a carrier (trait) frequency of up to 40%, making it a major public health concern.

Statement 3 – Incorrect

- National Sickle Cell Anaemia Elimination Mission (2023):
 - Launched by the Prime Minister in July 2023 under the National Health Mission (NHM).
 - o Goal: Eliminate SCD as a public health problem by 2047, not by 2030.
 - Key features:
 - **Free screening** of 7 crore people in 278 districts across 17 high-prevalence states by 2025.
 - Focus on universal screening of pregnant women and newborns but premarital testing is voluntary, not mandatory.
 - Hence, the statement is **partly incorrect** on both the **timeline (2047 vs 2030)** and **mandatory testing** aspect.

Qn 3:

Correct Answer: B. 1 and 2 only

Explanation:

• Statement 1 – Correct

- Foreigners Tribunals are quasi-judicial bodies set up to determine whether a person is a foreigner or not.
- They were established under Foreigners Act, 1946, which has been replaced by the Foreigners (Management and Regulation) Act, 2025.
- These tribunals are crucial in cases related to the National Register of Citizens (NRC) and illegal immigration.

• Statement 2 – Correct

- o Historically, **Assam** was the only state where these tribunals functioned, due to its unique challenges of illegal migration from Bangladesh.
- Recent legal changes (2025) have expanded their jurisdiction to all states and union territories, allowing the central government to set up such tribunals anywhere in India if needed.

• Statement 3 – Incorrect

- o The chairperson does NOT have to be a sitting High Court judge.
- o In practice, the tribunals are headed by **retired judicial officers** (district judges or equivalent) or **qualified civil servants** with relevant experience.
- This provides flexibility in appointments and helps in handling large volumes of cases efficiently.

Qn 4:

Correct Answer: d. 1 and 2 only

Explanation

Statement 1 – Correct

- FAMA is indeed a **digital initiative launched by the Ministry of Culture**, Government of India.
- Its main objective is to create a **centralized database of museum collections and field-level cultural heritage assets**, making them accessible for research, tourism development, and cultural policy-making.

• It helps in **digitizing and standardizing documentation** of India's tangible cultural heritage.

Statement 2 - Correct

- A key feature of FAMA is the use of **Artificial Intelligence** (**AI**) for cataloging artifacts and **GIS technology** to geographically map cultural sites and museums.
- This allows **real-time tracking** of heritage locations and prevents duplication of records.
- For example, if a rare sculpture exists in both a museum and at its original field location, FAMA helps track its provenance and history.

Statement 3 – Incorrect

- Currently, FAMA is a **national initiative** and **does not directly integrate** with UNESCO's World Heritage Data System.
- However, it may **align with UNESCO standards** for digital documentation in the future, but no direct integration has been announced yet.

Qn 5: