

Dikshant IAS - Daily Current Quiz

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1. According to a report by the State Bank of India, what is the per capita income in India for the financial year 2023-24?

- (a) ₹1.50 lakh
- (b) ₹1.46 lakh
- (c) ₹1.94 lakh
- (d) ₹2.11 lakh

Answer: (d)

• According to a report by the State Bank of India, the per capita income in India for the financial year 2023-24 is ₹2.11 lakh.

2. In the 96th Academy Awards 2023, which combination of awards given is not correct?

- (A) Best Actor Killian Murphy (Openheimer)
- (B) Best Actress Emma Stone (Poor Things)
- (C) Best Director Christopher Nolan (Openheimer)
- (D) Best Supporting Actress Lily Gladstone (Killers of the Flower Moon)

Answer: (D)

• The award for Best Supporting Actress was given to Dr. Vine Joy Radolph for her role in "The Hold Overs."

3. In March 2024, who was appointed by the President of India to the Rajya Sabha?

- (A) Film actress Kangana Ranaut
- (B) Social worker and writer Sudha Murthy
- (C) Former ISRO Chairman A.S. Kiran Kumar
- (D) Founder of Wipro and philanthropist Azim Premji

Answer: (B)

• Sudha Murthy, the mother-in-law of British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, was nominated as a member of the Rajya Sabha on March 8, 2024. Her term will be for 6 years.

4. Regarding the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT), consider the following statements:

1. It only exercises jurisdiction over matters concerning parties coming under the Administrative Tribunals Act of 1985.



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2. The terms of service for the Chairperson and members of CAT are the same as those for High Court judges.

3. It is guided by principles of natural justice in deciding cases and is not bound by the Civil Procedure Code.

Which of the above statements is correct?

- A. Only one
- B. Only two
- C. All three
- D. None of the above

Answer: C

• Recently, the Allahabad High Court acknowledged that an appeal against an order of CAT, utilizing its contempt jurisdiction under Section 17 of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985, could be made before the Supreme Court.

Regarding the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT):

The establishment of CAT was made under Article 323-A of the Constitution.

- Mandate: To adjudicate disputes and complaints relating to recruitment and conditions of service of persons appointed to public services and posts in connection with the affairs of the Union or other authorities.
- Besides the central government ministries and departments, the government has notified around 214 organizations for bringing them within the jurisdiction of CAT under Section 14(2) of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985.
- CAT has 17 benches and 21 circuit benches across India.
- Structure: Each bench consists of one judicial member and one administrative member.
- The terms of service for CAT's chairperson and members are similar to those of High Court judges.
- The salaries, allowances, and service conditions of tribunal officers and other employees are determined by the Central Government.

Powers:

- It exclusively exercises jurisdiction over matters concerning parties under the Administrative Tribunals Act of 1985.
- It is empowered to utilize jurisdictional powers and authorities' powers to enforce its own decisions, akin to the High Court's power of contempt.
- It is vested with the power to apply its own rules of practice for practice and procedure not being inconsistent with the principles of natural justice.



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• Therefore, option C is the correct answer.

5. Recently seen in the news, 'Statins' are primarily used for:

- A. Treating bacterial infections
- B. Lowering cholesterol levels
- C. Improving gut health
- D. Treating diabetes

Answer: B

• Administering Ursodeoxycholic Acid (UDCA) can inhibit the proclivity of statins to induce glucose intolerance and diabetes.

About Statins:

- Statins are prescription drugs taken by individuals to bring their cholesterol levels to normal.
- Statins work by inhibiting the activity of liver enzymes responsible for cholesterol production.
- Excess cholesterol in the blood can lead to the formation of plaques on the walls of arteries. That buildup can ultimately constrict or harden the arteries.
- The sudden rupture of these constricted arteries can cause a heart attack or stroke.
- Some statins can lower your LDL (low-density lipoprotein, or "bad") cholesterol by up to 50% or more. Providers often refer to LDL as "bad" because it forms within your arteries, making it harder for blood to flow through them.
- It is also associated with reduced risk of heart disease and stroke.
- Statins may also help reduce the risk of blood clots in the arteries. However, they can sometimes interact with other medications, increasing the risk of serious side effects such as muscle damage. Therefore, option B is the correct answer.