Daily subject quiz – Indian Polity (25-11-2026)

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Questions

1. Which of the following Bills was NOT passed at a joint sitting of the two Houses of Parliament?

A. The Dowry Prohibition Bill, 1959

B. The Banking Service Commission (Repeal) Bill, 1977

C. The Prevention of Terrorism Bill, 2002

D. The Constitution (122nd Amendment) Bill, 2014 on GST (enacted as the 101st Amendment Act, 2016)

2. Consider the following statements about the removal of the Vice-President of India:
1. He can be removed by a resolution of the Rajya Sabha passed by a majority of all its then members and agreed to by the Lok Sabha.
2. At least 14 days' notice must be given of the intention to move such a resolution.
3. He can be removed only by the impeachment procedure laid down for the President in Article 61.
Which of the above are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 1 and 2 only

C. 2 and 3 only

D. 1, 2 and 3

3. Match the Schedules of the Constitution (List I) with their subjects (List II):
(a) Fifth Schedule – 1. Powers and functions of Municipalities
(b) Sixth Schedule – 2. Languages
(c) Eighth Schedule – 3. Tribal areas of Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura and Mizoram
(d) Twelfth Schedule – 4. Administration of Scheduled Areas and Scheduled Tribes in other States

A. (a)-4, (b)-3, (c)-2, (d)-1

B. (a)-3, (b)-4, (c)-2, (d)-1

C. (a)-4, (b)-3, (c)-1, (d)-2

D. (a)-3, (b)-4, (c)-1, (d)-2

4. Which writ is issued by a higher court to quash an order already passed by a lower court or tribunal in excess of its jurisdiction?

A. Prohibition

B. Mandamus

C. Certiorari

D. Quo warranto

5. Consider the following statements about Parliament:

1. The quorum for a sitting of either House is one-tenth of the total number of members of that House.

2. Six months shall not intervene between the last sitting of one session and the first sitting of the next session.

3. The President summons and prorogues the Houses and may also dissolve the Rajya Sabha.

Which of the above are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 1 and 2 only

C. 2 and 3 only

D. 1, 2 and 3

6. Consider the following statements about the duration of Panchayats (Article 243E):

1. A Panchayat reconstituted after a premature dissolution gets a fresh full term of five years.

2. Every Panchayat continues for five years from the date appointed for its first meeting, unless dissolved earlier.

3. An election to constitute a Panchayat must be completed before the expiry of its term, or within six months of its dissolution.

Which of the above are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 1 and 2 only

C. 2 and 3 only

D. 1, 2 and 3

7. Consider the following statements about trade, commerce and intercourse within India:
1. Article 301 declares that trade, commerce and intercourse throughout the territory of India shall be free.
2. Parliament may by law impose restrictions on this freedom in the public interest (Article 302).
3. The freedom declared by Article 301 is a Fundamental Right in Part III of the Constitution.
Which of the above are correct?

A. 1 only
B. 1 and 2 only
C. 2 and 3 only
D. 1, 2 and 3

8. Consider the following statements about preventive detention under Article 22:
1. Except under a law made by Parliament under Article 22(7), no law of preventive detention can authorise detention for longer than three months unless an Advisory Board reports sufficient cause for it.
2. The Advisory Board consists of persons who are, or have been, or are qualified to be appointed as, Judges of a High Court.
3. The detaining authority need not disclose facts that it considers to be against the public interest to disclose.
Which of the above are correct?

A. 1 only
B. 1 and 2 only
C. 2 and 3 only
D. 1, 2 and 3

9. Under Article 168, the Legislature of Tamil Nadu consists of:

A. The Governor and the Legislative Assembly
B. The Legislative Assembly alone
C. The Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council
D. The Chief Minister and the Legislative Assembly

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10. Match the doctrines (List I) with their meanings (List II):
(a) Pith and substance – 1. A pre-Constitution law that violates a Fundamental Right is not dead but dormant, and revives if the right is amended
(b) Eclipse – 2. Only the unconstitutional part of a law is struck down if it can be separated
(c) Severability – 3. What cannot be done directly cannot be done indirectly
(d) Colourable legislation – 4. The true nature of a law decides which List it falls under

A. (a)-1, (b)-4, (c)-2, (d)-3
B. (a)-4, (b)-2, (c)-1, (d)-3
C. (a)-4, (b)-1, (c)-2, (d)-3
D. (a)-3, (b)-1, (c)-2, (d)-4

Answers with explanations

1. **D) The Constitution (122nd Amendment) Bill, 2014 on GST (enacted as the 101st Amendment Act, 2016)** – Only three Bills have been passed at joint sittings – Dowry Prohibition (1961), Banking Service Commission (Repeal) (1978) and Prevention of Terrorism (2002). A Constitution Amendment Bill must be passed by each House separately by special majority (Article 368); there is no joint sitting for it. The GST Bill was introduced as the 122nd Amendment Bill, 2014 and enacted as the 101st Amendment Act, 2016.

2. **B) 1 and 2 only** – Statement 3 is wrong: impeachment under Article 61 applies to the President. The Vice-President is removed under Article 67(b) – a Rajya Sabha resolution passed by an effective majority, agreed to by the Lok Sabha by a simple majority, after 14 days' notice.

3. **A) (a)-4, (b)-3, (c)-2, (d)-1** – Fifth – Scheduled Areas and Scheduled Tribes (other than the four north-eastern States); Sixth – tribal areas of Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura and Mizoram (autonomous district councils); Eighth – 22 languages; Twelfth – 18 subjects of Municipalities (74th Amendment).

4. **C) Certiorari** – Certiorari is corrective – it quashes an order already passed. Prohibition is preventive – it stops a lower court from proceeding while the case is still pending. Mandamus commands a public authority to do its duty; quo warranto asks by what authority a public office is held.

5. **B) 1 and 2 only** – Statement 3 is wrong: the President can dissolve only the Lok Sabha; the Rajya Sabha is a permanent House, one-third of whose members retire every second year. Quorum – Article 100(3); the six-month rule – Article 85(1).

6. **C) 2 and 3 only** – Statement 1 is wrong: a Panchayat reconstituted after premature dissolution continues only for the remainder of the five-year term. If the remainder is less than six months, an election need not be held for that period.

7. **B) 1 and 2 only** – Statement 3 is wrong: Article 301 is in Part XIII (Articles 301–307), not in Part III – it is a constitutional right, not a Fundamental Right. Part XIII aims at a single economic union across India.

8. **D) 1, 2 and 3** – All three are correct – Article 22(4)(a) and 22(6). The detenu must be told the grounds of detention as soon as may be and given the earliest opportunity to make a representation

(Article 22(5)). The ordinary safeguards of Article 22(1) and (2) do not apply to preventive detention (Article 22(3)).

9. **A) The Governor and the Legislative Assembly** – Article 168: the Legislature of every State consists of the Governor and one or two Houses. Since the Legislative Council was abolished in 1986, Tamil Nadu has a unicameral Legislature – the Governor and the Legislative Assembly of 234 members.

10. **C) (a)-4, (b)-1, (c)-2, (d)-3** – Pith and substance – the true nature of a law decides legislative competence, even if it incidentally touches another List; eclipse – a pre-Constitution law inconsistent with a Fundamental Right is overshadowed, not void (Bhikaji Narain, 1955); severability – Article 13 strikes down only the offending part; colourable legislation – a legislature cannot transgress its limits in disguise.

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