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DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ FOR UPSC

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(Answer & Explanation)

Qn1. Answer: (d) All

Explanation:

• **Explanation:**

- Statement 1 is correct because surveillance capitalism involves extracting, analyzing, and selling personal data for targeted advertising and other profit-driven activities.
- Statement 2 is correct Shoshana Zuboff Introduced the concept of surveillance capitalism in *The Age of Surveillance Capitalism* (2018).
- Statement 3 is correct, as the concept gained prominence with the rise of digital platforms like Google and Facebook that profit from user data.

Qn.2 Answer: (a) 1 only

Explanation:

- Statement 1 is correct as the QPE index evaluates variables like the ratio of capital outlay to GDP (higher is better) and interest payments to total expenditure (lower is better).
- **Statement 2 is incorrect** because a **lower ratio** of revenue expenditure to capital outlay indicates better expenditure quality.
- **Statement 3 is incorrect** as the QPE index is focused on evaluating expenditure quality, not merely fiscal compliance with the FRBM Act.

Qn. 3 Answer: (b) 1 & 3 only

Explanation:

- **1** Incorrect: The Governor exercises executive authority, but the legislative functions of the state are taken over by the Parliament.
- **2** Incorrect: When President's Rule is imposed, the Chief Minister and the Council of Ministers are generally removed, and the Governor directly administers the state.
- **3** Correct: Under Article 356, the President can make laws for the state, and they are treated as laws made by the State Legislature..

Qn. 4 Answer: (b)

Explanation:

- Breaking the Barriers (BTB) is a USAID-funded program aimed at eliminating tuberculosis (TB) in India through sustained community engagement and behavior change.
- Launched in March 2020, the program targets vulnerable groups such as urban poor, migrants, tribal communities, and industrial workers.

Qn. 5 Answer: (b)

Explanation:

The **Saras Aajeevika Mela 2025** is a flagship event organized by the **Ministry of Rural Development**, aimed at promoting the livelihoods of artisans, craftsmen, and Self-Help Group (SHG) members across India.

- The event takes place from **21st February to 10th March 2025** at **Noida Haat, Sector 33 A, Noida, Uttar Pradesh**.
- This is the 5th edition of the Mela, which celebrates India's rich tradition, art, and culture while focusing on developing the **export potential** of rural products.