



Q. The 'Sagar Kavach' exercise was organized recently at-

- a** Goa
- b** Lakshadweep
- c** Odisha
- d** Gujarat

Answer **b**

EXPLANATION

- Recently, a two-day 'Sagar Kavach' exercise was organized in the Lakshadweep Islands. All maritime security agencies including Indian Navy, Indian Coast Guard, Marine Police, Fisheries, Customs and other security agencies participated in the exercise.
- The primary objective of the exercise was to validate the effectiveness of the coastal security mechanism in dealing with asymmetric threats emanating from the sea. The exercise witnessed enhanced preparedness, response mechanisms, surveillance capabilities, and coordination among the various coastal security stakeholders.



Q. Consider the following statements with respect to total solar eclipse:

1

A total solar eclipse happens when the Moon passes between the Sun and Earth, completely blocking the face of the Sun.

2

People in the path of a total solar eclipse can see the Sun's corona.

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

a

1 only

b

2 only

c

Both 1 and 2

d

Neither 1 nor 2

Answer

c

EXPLANATION

- The world experienced this year's first solar eclipse occurrence on April 8, 2024. This was a total solar eclipse. It was not visible in India but seen in the United States, Canada, Mexico, and other parts of North America.
- A total solar eclipse happens when the Moon passes between the Sun and Earth, completely blocking the face of the Sun. The sky will darken as if it were dawn or dusk. People in the path of a total solar eclipse can see the Sun's corona, the outer atmosphere, which is otherwise usually obscured by the bright face of the Sun.



Q. Consider the following statements with respect to Oceanic Nino Index:

- 1** It is the primary indicator for monitoring the ocean part of the seasonal climate pattern called the El Nino-Southern Oscillation (ENSO).
- 2** The Oceanic Nino Index is released by the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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

a 1 only

b 2 only

c Both 1 and 2

d Neither 1 nor 2

Answer **c**

EXPLANATION

- ☑ Recently, the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has predicted an 83% probability of the Oceanic Nino Index (ONI) transitioning to a neutral range by April-June 2024.
- ☑ The Oceanic Nino Index (ONI) is NOAA's primary indicator for monitoring the ocean part of the seasonal climate pattern called the El Niño-Southern Oscillation, or "ENSO" for short.
- ☑ The ONI tracks the running 3-month average sea surface temperatures in the east-central tropical Pacific between 120°-170°W, near the International Dateline, and whether they are warmer or cooler than average.



Q. The Gwadar Port, which was in the news recently, is situated in-

- a** Pakistan
- b** Saudi Arabia
- c** Iran
- d** India

Answer **a**

EXPLANATION

- The Gwadar Port is situated on the Arabian Sea at Gwadar in Balochistan province of Pakistan and is under the administrative control of the Maritime Secretary of Pakistan and operational control of the China Overseas Port Holding Company.**
- The port holds great strategic and economic significance for Pakistan. It is the third important deep seaport of Pakistan. It is located at the cross-junction of international sea shipping and oil trade routes. Gwadar can act as an international trade hub for Pakistan.**
- It is deep sea port that connects South Asia with Central Asia, Middle East, Africa and Europe.**



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Q. The “Turning 18” Campaign has been initiated by the-

- a Reserve Bank of India**
- b Ministry of Women and Child Development**
- c Ministry of Education**
- d Election Commission of India**

Answer d

EXPLANATION

- As the country gears up for the 2024 Lok Sabha Elections, the Election Commission of India (ECI) has embarked on an innovative journey to engage citizens through unique campaigns like 'Turning 18' and 'You are the One' on social media platforms, employing a tailored messaging strategy within the overarching theme of 'Chunav Ka Parv, Desh Ka Garv'.**
- ECI campaign 'Turning 18,' in the run-up to the 18th Lok Sabha Elections, specifically targets young and first-time voters. The primary objective is to galvanize youngsters to participate in the upcoming elections and address the critical issues of urban and youth apathy noticed in previous elections.**
- The 'Turning 18' campaign employs various compelling themes and strategies to capture the attention of its audience.**