







Question 1

Answer : A

## MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES IS NOW **MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**

 <p><b>FOR SCHOOLS</b> <b>From 10+2 to 5+3+3+4:</b> Current 10+2 structure in which policy covered schooling from Class 1 to 10 (age 6-16) and then Class 11-12 (age 16-18) gives way to 5 years of foundational education, 3 of preparatory, 3 of middle &amp; 4 years of secondary schooling</p>	 <p><b>FOR COLLEGES</b> <b>SAT-Like College Test:</b> National Testing Agency to conduct common college entrance exam twice a year</p>
<p><b>Multi-Stream:</b> Flexibility to choose subjects across streams; all subjects to be offered at two levels of proficiency</p>	 <p><b>4-Year Bachelor:</b> 4-year multi-disciplinary bachelor's programme to be preferred; mid-term dropouts to be given credit with option to complete degree after a break</p>
<p><b>Diluted Board:</b> Board exams to test only core competencies; could become modular (object and subjective) and will be offered twice a year</p>	<p><b>No Affiliation:</b> Over next 15 years colleges will be given graded autonomy to give degrees, affiliation with universities to end, so would deemed university status</p>
 <p><b>Multilingual:</b> 3-language policy to continue with preference for local language medium of instruction till class 8</p>	 <p><b>Fee Cap:</b> Proposal to cap fee charged by private institutions of higher learning</p>
<p><b>Bag-Less Days:</b> School students to have 10 bag-less days in a year during which they are exposed to a vocation of choice (i.e. informal internship)</p>	 <p><b>Going Global:</b> Top-rated global universities to be facilitated to come to India, top Indian institutions to be encouraged to go global</p>

Question 2

Answer : B

It aims to cover the learning needs of children in the age group of 3 to 9 years.

Question 3

Answer : C

‘Samagra Shiksha’ programme was launched subsuming three existing schemes: Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE).

Question 4

Answer: C

Right To Education (RTE) Act, 2009 aims to provide primary education to all children aged 6 to 14 years and enforces education as a Fundamental Right. It mandates non-minority private unaided schools to keep aside at least 25% of their entry-level seats for children belonging to disadvantaged sections to create a more integrated and inclusive schooling system.

Question 5

Answer: C

The 42nd Amendment to the Constitution in 1976 moved education from the State to the Concurrent List. The education policies by the Central government provide a broad direction and state governments are expected to follow it. But it is not mandatory, for instance Tamil Nadu does not follow the three-language formula prescribed by the first education policy in 1968. The 86th Amendment in 2002 made education an enforceable right under Article 21-A.