

QUIZ OF THE DAY

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Q1 Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana:

1. It gives monetary assistance of ₹3,000 to pregnant and lactating mothers for the birth of the first child.
2. The scheme is not applicable for those women who are employed by the Central or State governments.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

Q2. Consider the following statements:

1. Under Article 343 of the Constitution, the official language of the Union shall be Hindi in the Devanagari script.
2. The Eighth Schedule contains 22 languages including Hindi and English.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

Explanation and Solutions

Q1. Answer: B

Explanation:

The Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana(PMMVY)

The Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana(PMMVY) was announced on December 31, 2016 which gives a benefit of ₹6,000 to pregnant and lactating mothers for the birth of the first child.

₹5,000 would be disbursed in three installments upon meeting several conditionalities.

The remaining cash incentive of up to ₹1,000 is to be given under a separate scheme called the Janani Suraksha Yojana so that on an “average” women get a total sum of ₹6,000.

The scheme is not applicable for those women who are employed by the Central or State governments or working in PSU's.

Under the revamped PMMVY under Mission Shakti, the maternity benefit amounting to ₹6000 is also to be provided for the second child, but only if the second is a girl child, to discourage pre-birth sex selection and promote the girl child.

Q2. Answer: A

Explanation:

Under Article 343 of the Constitution, the official language of the Union shall be Hindi in Devanagari script. The Eighth Schedule contains a list of languages in the country. Initially, there were 14 languages in the schedule, but now there are 22 languages. excluding English.