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Current Affairs Questions for CLAT Exam

CLAT Current Affairs Quiz 15

Directions: Study the following information carefully and answer the questions given below.

Mylab Discovery Solutions Pvt Ltd, has developed the first Made in India Covid-19 testing kit. On Wednesday, it announced that it is ready with the first batch of test kits and will start supplying to the government and private labs.

In the first batch, Mylab Discovery Solutions will supply testing kits to conduct ____ A ____ tests. The kit is the first one to receive commercial approval from Indian FDA/ Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) and is developed in a record time of six weeks. Given the low testing rate in the country, India's very own testing kit will help in fighting back the global pandemic Covid-19. Mylab PathoDetect COVID-19 Qualitative PCR kit screens and detects the infection within 2.5 hours, compared to 7+ hours taken by current protocols.

“At present, Mylab can produce kits to test for 20,000 samples per day. However, in case of an adverse situation, the company can ramp-up its capacity to ship kits to conduct 50,000 tests per day,” said Rahul Patil, Executive Director and Operations Head, Mylab Discovery Solutions.

Mylab test kits cost nearly one-third to one-fourth of the cost of the price cap provided by ICMR. But private and government labs approved by ICMR can conduct the tests for Covid-19. As of 25th March, ICMR has approved more than 100 government labs and 29 private labs across the country for testing.

____ B ____ , MD, Mylab Discovery Solutions, said: “With emphasis on ‘Make in India’ and support from local and central government, the COVID- 19 kit, has been made as per WHO/CDC guidelines. It was developed and evaluated in a record time”. He further added that the support and the immediate action from regulatory bodies (CDSCO/FDA), evaluation centre of ICMR, NIV, Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) and the central and state governments during this national emergency is commendable.

1. Mylab Discovery Solutions Pvt Ltd, has developed the first Made in India Covid-19 testing kit. The lab is based in which of the following cities?

- A. Mumbai
B. New Delhi
C. Chennai
D. Pune

2. In the first batch, Mylab Discovery Solutions will supply testing kits to conduct how many tests. (The number of test has been replaced with "A" in the passage above.)

- A. 11,000
B. 13,000
C. 12,000
D. 15,000

3. The headquarters of Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) is located in which of the following cities?

- A. Mumbai
B. Chennai
C. New Delhi
D. Kolkata

4. Who among the following is the Secretary & Director General of the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR).

- A. Randeep Guleria
B. Balram Bhargava
C. K. Srinath Reddy
D. Nikhil Tandon

5. Who among the following is the MD Mylab Discovery Solutions that has been replaced with "B" in the passage above?

- A. Hasmukh Rawal
B. Deshmukh Panday
C. Lokesh Razawat
D. Anulok Singh Rawat

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Correct answer:

1	2	3	4	5
D	D	C	B	A

Common Explanation:

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In the first batch, Mylab Discovery Solutions will supply testing kits to conduct 15,000 tests. The kit is the first one to receive commercial approval from Indian FDA/ Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) and is developed in a record time of six weeks. Given the low testing rate in the country, India's very own testing kit will help in fighting back the global pandemic Covid-19. Mylab PathoDetect COVID-19 Qualitative PCR kit screens and detects the infection within 2.5 hours, compared to 7+ hours taken by current protocols.

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Explanation:

1. From paragraph 1, line 1, we can see that Pune-based molecular diagnostics company, Mylab Discovery Solutions Pvt Ltd, has developed the first Made in India Covid-19 testing kit

Hence, the correct answer is option D.

2. From the paragraph 2, line 1, we can see that In the first batch, Mylab Discovery Solutions will supply testing kits to conduct 15,000 tests.

Hence, the correct answer is option D.

3. The Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO) is the national regulatory body for Indian pharmaceuticals and medical devices. It is located in New Delhi.

Hence, the correct answer is option C.

4. Balram Bhargava is an Indian science administrator. He has been appointed for a three year tenure as the Director-General at the Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi and Secretary, Department of Health Research a division under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.

Hence, the correct answer is option B.

5. From the paragraph 5, line 1, we can see that Hasmukh Rawal is the MD of Mylab Discovery Solutions.

Hence, the correct answer is option A.



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