

1. Which of the following is not a part of Coromandal coast?

- a. Arikamedu
- b. Mamallapuram
- c. Kaveripattanam
- d. Bharuch

2. Consider the following statements in reference to Climate Engineering:

1. It is the natural and large-scale intervention in the Earth's climate system with the aim of affecting adverse global warming.

2. IPCC documents detail two main categories: solar radiation management and carbon dioxide removal. 3. Ocean fertilization including iron fertilization of the oceans.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 2 and 3
- c. 1, 2 and 3
- d. 1 and 3

3. Match the ragas with their time of occurrence:

- 1. Darbari (a) Evening
- 2. Bahar (b) Night
- 3. Bhoopali (c) Afternoon
- 4. Bhairav (d) Morning

Select the correct answer from the following code:

- a. 1-a, 2-b, 3-c, 4-d
- b. 1-a, 2-c, 3-c, 4-d
- c. 1-b, 2-a, 3-c, 4-d
- d. None of the above

4. Consider the following statements with respect to Gharials:

- 1. The gharial is a fish-eating crocodile.
- 2. It is native to the northern part of the Indian Subcontinent
- 3. The gharial is listed as Critically Endangered on the IUCN Red List
- 4. They usually mate in the summer season.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 1, 2 and 3
- c. 1, 2 3 and 4
- d. 3 and 4

5. Match the following sites of Old age in India

- 1. Bhimbetka a. Madhya Pradesh
- 2. Adamgarh hill b. Andhra Pradesh
- 3. Kurnool c. Narmada valley

4. Attirampakkam d. Chennai

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1-a, 2-b, 3-c, 4-d
- b. 1-a,2-c, 3-b, 4-d
- c. 1-a, 2-c, 3-d, 4-b
- d. 1-a, 2-d, 3-c, 4-b

6. Consider the following statements regarding Hydrogen: '

1. Hydrogen is the most abundant element in the universe.

2. It occurs in vast quantities as part of the water in oceans, ice packs, rivers, lakes, and the atmosphere. 3. Hydrogen is present in all animal and vegetable tissue and in petroleum.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 3
- b. 2 and 3
- c. Only 3
- d. 1, 2 and 3

7. Match the following:

- 1. Samkhya a) an atheistic and strongly dualist theoretical exposition of consciousness and matter.
- 2. Yoga b) a school emphasising meditation, contemplation and liberation.
- 3. Nyaya c) an empiricist school of atomism.
- 4. Vaiseshika d) which explores sources of knowledge

Select the correct answer from the following code:

- a. 1-a, 2-b, 3-c, 4-d
- b. 1-a, 2-b, 3-d, 4-c
- c. 1-b, 2-a, 3-c, 4-d
- d. 1-b, 2-a, 3-d, 4-c

8. Consider the following statements with respect to UDAN:

- 1. The scheme will be jointly funded by the Central government and State governments
- 2. The scheme will run for 20 years.
- 3. For the fixed-wing aircraft there is a cap of maximum fare of INR 2,500 per hour of flight.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1, 2 and 3
- b. 2 and 3
- c. Only 2
- d. 1 and 3

9. Consider the following statements regarding Limonite Ore:

- 1. It is also called as the Inferior ores

2. They are found in Damuda series in Raniganj coal field, Garhwal in Uttarakhand.

3. Their advantageous in easy and cheap mining.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 2
- b. Only 2
- c. Only 3
- d. 1, 2 and 3

10. Consider the following statements in reference to Barrier Reefs:

1. Barrier Reefs are separated from land by an expanse of water

2. Barrier reefs lagoons can be several kilometres wide and 30 to 70 metres deep than fringing reefs.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

11. Which of the following reforms were initiated by Alauddin Khilji?

1. He introduced the system of dagh and prepared huliya.

2. The introduction of paying salaries in cash to the soldiers led to price regulations popularly called as Market Reforms.

3. A separate department called Diwani Riyasat was created.

4. There were secret agents called munhiyans

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1, 2 and 4
- b. 2, 3 and 4
- c. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- d. 2 and 4

12. What are the effects of a writ of habeas corpus?

1. Release from custody

2. Reduction in a prison sentence

3. An order halting illegal conditions of confinement

4. A declaration of rights.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1, 2 and 3
- b. 2 and 4
- c. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- d. 1, 3 and 4

13. What is the purpose of Pradhan Mantri Mahila Shakti Kendra (PMMSK)?

a. Provide nutritional support to pregnant and lactating women.

b. One-stop convergence support service for empowering rural women with opportunities for skill development, employment, digital literacy, health and nutrition.

c. Provide self-defense classes to women so that they fight against harassment and eve-teasing.

d. Provide digital and vocational training to the adolescent girls only.

14. Consider the following statements:

1. Sharavathi is westward flowing river of India

2. Jog Falls is created by the Sharavathi River Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

15. Which of the following dance form is performed in North east?

- 1. Bihu
- 2. Ras lila
- 3. Hojagiri
- 4. Dhol Cholem

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 2, 3 and 4
- b. 1, 3 and 4
- c. 1 and 4
- d. 1, 2, 3 and 4

16. Which of the following statement is incorrect in reference to Cripps mission?

- a. Cripps promised to give dominion status after the war
- b. He promised elections to be held after the war.
- c. Muslim League accepted the proposals.
- d. Indians were given promise of liberty to frame their own constitution.

17. Consider the following statements with respect to Green highways:

1. A green highway is a roadway constructed per a relatively new concept for roadway design that integrates transportation functionality and ecological sustainability.

2. Only the government will be involved in the process of planting and maintenance as per National Green Highway Mission.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2

d. Neither 1 nor 2

18. Which of the following amendments were formulated in 42nd amendment act?

1. The preamble was amended to add the words, Sovereigns, Republic, Socialist.
2. The scope of article 31C was widened to cover all the directive principles laid down in the Constitution.
3. New Part IVA containing article 51A was added to provide lists of fundamental duties of citizens.
4. Article 74(1) was amended to make the President to act in accordance with the advice of the Council of Ministers.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 3
- b. 2, 3 and 4
- c. 1, 2 and 3
- d. Only 3

19. Which of the following pair of tribes are approved to be included in the Scheduled Tribes list of Karnataka government recently?

- a. Ashwara and Taliwara
- b. Nirwara and Parwara
- c. Kariwara and Halawara
- d. Pariwara and Talawara

20. Which of the following are the fat-soluble vitamins?

1. Vitamin A
2. Vitamin C
3. Vitamin D
4. Vitamin E

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 1, 2 and 3
- c. 2, 3 and 4
- d. 1, 3 and 4

21. Consider the following statements with respect to carbon tax:

1. A carbon tax is a tax levied on the carbon content of fuels only.
2. Revenue obtained via the tax is however not (always) used to compensate the carbon emissions on which the tax is levied (see implementation).
3. Carbon taxes are a type of Pigovian tax.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 2 and 3
- c. 1, 2 and 3
- d. 1 and 3

22. Which of the following is not a condition of admissibility of cut motions in Parliament?

- a. It should not make suggestions for the amendment of existing laws.
- b. It should not relate to the expenditure charged on Consolidated fund of India
- c. It should not interfere in budgetary proceedings.
- d. It should not relate to more than one demand.

23. Which of the following statements correctly portrays the difference between Digambaras and Svetambaras?

1. Digambaras stress the practice of nudity as an absolute pre-requisite to the mendicant's path and to the attainment of salvation. But the Svetambaras assert that the practice of complete nudity is not essential to attain liberation.

2. According to the Digambaras, once a saint becomes a kevali or Kevala-jnani, that is, omniscient, he needs no morsel of food. But this view is not acceptable to the Svetambaras.

3. The Svetambaras believe in the validity and sacredness of original and genuine texts were lost long ago. While the Digambaras hold the validity of canonical literature, that is, the twelve angas and sutras, as they exist now.

4. The Svetambaras consider Mallinatha, the 19th Tirthankar as a female by name Mall; but the Digambaras state that Mallinatha was a male.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1, 2 and 3
- b. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- c. 1, 2 and 4
- d. 1 and 3

24. What is the criteria with regard to be called as biodiversity hotspot?

(a) It should comprise of at least 1500 species of vascular plants i.e. more than 0.5% of the world's total plants.

(b) It should have lost greater than or equal to 70% of its original habitat.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

25. Consider the following statements with reference to sea grass:

1. Sea grass grows in abundance in Palk Bay, which is a strait between Tamil Nadu and the Mannar.
2. The Kerala Forest Department has taken up a sea grass rehabilitation project.
3. Sea grass absorbs carbon from the atmosphere (up to 83 million metric tons of carbon annually) and also absorbs carbon from water to build their leaves and roots.
4. No organisms can grow in sea grass.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1, 2, and 3
- b. 1 and 3
- c. 1 and 4
- d. 1, 2, 3 and 4

26. Consider the following statements with reference to Gharanas:

1. A gharana indicates a comprehensive musicological ideology.
2. The principal feature of the thumri of the Patiala gharana is its incorporation of the tappa from the Punjab region.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Ans : C

27. Match the following with regard to coal mines In India

- |                         |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Korba Coalfield      | A. Chhattisgarh |
| 2. Singareni collieries | B. Telangana    |
| 3. Jharia mines         | C. Jharkhand    |
| 4. Nagpur               | D. Maharashtra  |

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-D
- b. 1-B, 2-C, 3-D, 4-A
- c. 1-A, 2-C, 3-B, 4-D
- d. 1-B, 2-D, 3-C, 4-A

28. Consider the following statements with reference to Integrated Monitoring and Advisory Council:

1. IMAC was envisaged to facilitate better coordination and comprehensive strategy for all energy resources by focusing on supply and demand side management.
2. IMAC is consisted of Ministers of Petroleum & Natural Gas and other ministers from various Ministries such as Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, Urban Development.

3. PMO directly regulates it.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 3
- b. 1 and 2
- c. 1, 2 and 3
- d. Only 1

29. Match the following GI items with respect to their States:

- | GI Items              | States              |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Kancheepuram Silk  | a) Tamil Nadu       |
| 2. Bhavani Jamakkalam | b) Kerala           |
| 3. Navara Rice        | c) Tamil Nadu       |
| 4. Kullu Shawl        | d) Himachal Pradesh |

Select the correct answer from the following code:

- a. 1-a, 2-b, 3-c, 4-d
- b. 1-a, 2-c, 3-b, 4-d
- c. 1-b, 2-a, 3-c, 4-d
- d. None of the above

30. Consider the following statements with respect to Draft Wetlands Policy:

1. The new rules stipulate setting up of a State Wetlands Authority in each State and Union Territories that will be headed by the State's Environment Minister and include a range of government officials.
2. The State authorities will also need to prepare a list of all wetlands of the State or Union Territory within three months.
3. The rules allow activities like conversion of wetland for non-wetland uses including encroachment of any kind, setting up of any industry and expansion of existing industries.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 2 and 3
- c. 1, 2 and 3
- d. 3 only

31. Consider the following statements with respect to JIGYASA':

1. Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), has joined hands with NCERT to implement this programme.
2. The focus is on connecting school students and scientists so as to extend student's classroom learning with that of a very well planned research laboratory based learning.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. 1 only

- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

**32. Consider the following statements in reference to Article 77:**

- 1. The President shall make rules for the more convenient transaction of the business of the Government of India.**
- 2. The Prime Minister shall make rules for the allocation among Ministers.**

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**33. Which of the following articles in India have a bearing on Education?**

- 1. Art 15**
- 2. Art 21A**
- 3. Art 28**
- 4. Art 29**

**Select the correct answer using the code given below:**

- a. 1, 2 and 3
- b. 2 and 3
- c. 2 and 4
- d. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**34. Which of the following special privileges are granted in Art 35A of Indian Constitution?**

- 1. Right to Property**
- 2. 'Permanent residents' of the State and in public sector jobs.**
- 3. Acquisition of property in the State**
- 4. Scholarships and other public aid and welfare.**

**Select the correct answer using the code given below:**

- a. 1, 2 and 3
- b. 2, 3 and 4
- c. 1 and 3
- d. All of the above

**35. Consider the following statements with regard to Art 164:**

- 1. It provides for a Minister-in-charge of tribal welfare in the states of MP, Chhattisgarh, Bihar, Orissa and Jharkhand.**
- 2. It has special provision of a Minister looking after tribal welfare.**

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only

- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

**36. Consider the following statements:**

- 1. Reformism is the belief that gradual changes through and within existing institutions can ultimately change a society's fundamental system and structures**
- 2. Revivalist is the one who conducts religious revivals.**

**3. Raja Ram Mohan Roy was a revivalist**

**4. Dayananda Saraswati was a reformist.**

**Select the correct answer using the code given below:**

- a. 1, 2 and 3
- b. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- c. 1, 2 and 4
- d. 1 and 2

**37. Consider the following statements with regard to Indus valley culture:**

**1. A number of gold, terracotta and stone figurines of girls in dancing poses reveal the presence of some dance form.**

**2. A harp-like instrument depicted on an Indus seal and two shell objects found at MohenjoDaro indicate the use of stringed musical instruments.**

**3. The Harappans also made various toys and games, among them cubical dice (with one to six holes on the faces), which were found in sites like Lothal.**

**Select the correct answer using the code given below:**

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 2 and 3
- c. Only 1
- d. 1, 2 and 3

**38. Consider the following statements with regard to First Round Table Conference:**

- 1. First Round Table Conference chaired by the British Prime Minister, Ramsay MacDonald.**
- 2. The Indian National Congress, along with Indian business leaders, kept away from the conference.**
- 3. The Hindus were represented by B. S. Moonje, M. R. Jayakar, Diwan Bahadur Raja Narendra Nath**
- 4. Justice Party was excluded.**

**Select the correct answer using the code given below:**

- a. 1, 2 and 3
- b. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- c. 1, 2 and 4
- d. 1 and 3

**39. Why Mizoram is known as land of rolling mountains?**

1. Formation of mountains are accompanied by formation of foreland basin
  2. Valley type depression which runs perpendicular to mountains.
  3. The depression gets accumulated with unconsolidated deposits known as molasses basin.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 3
- b. Only 1
- c. 1, 2 and 3
- d. 2 and 3

**40. Which of the following regions of India have Tropical Forests?**

1. Andaman and Nicobar Islands
2. The Western Ghats
3. Assam region
4. Odisha state

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1, 2 and 3
- b. 2 and 3
- c. 1 only
- d. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**41. When the Speaker to the lower house of a legislature is elected, he/she:**

1. Remains the member of the party as he/she gets elected on its ticket.
2. Completely divests himself of party character.
3. Is a partial moderator of the proceedings of the house.
4. Speaks for or against any proposal in the House.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 or 2 and 3
- b. 2 only
- c. 1 and 2
- d. 1 and 4

**42. Which of the following statement about Yoga philosophy is correct?**

1. It belongs to unorthodox school of Indian philosophy.
2. It is closely related to Vaiseshika school of philosophy
3. It advocates extreme penance for attaining to liberation.
4. It believes this world consists of or made up of two realities only i.e. Purusha and Prakruti.

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

- a. Only 1 and 4
- b. Only 2 and 4

- c. Only 2
- d. Only 4

**43. Consider the following statements regarding Poshan Abhiyan (National Nutrition Mission).**

1. Abhiyaan targets to reduce stunting and under-nutrition.
2. It aims to eliminate anemia (among young children, women and adolescent girls) and low birth weight by 2025.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**44. Van Dhan Vikas Kendra aims for tribal development. Which of the following activities can be related with it?**

1. Skill training
2. Education of children
3. Value addition to the forest produce

Select the correct answer from the code given below:

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 2 and 3
- c. 1 and 3
- d. 1, 2 and 3

**45. 'Fintech Sector' is very crucial for development of India. Consider the following statements regarding it.**

1. India has distinctive comparative strengths vis-à-vis other emerging economies in fintech sector.
2. Presently, RBI regulates all of the fintech sector in India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**46. Which city in India became the first city to start the Helicopter Taxi within the city?**

- a. Delhi
- b. Mumbai
- c. Chennai
- d. Bangalore

**47. Recently, the Supreme Court has made some observations in the Hadiya case which are related to Constitutional liberty. Which among the following are those?**

1. Choice of whether to believe or not to believe in a faith

2. Pursuing a way of life

3. Right to convert is a constitutional right

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 2 only
- b. Only 3
- c. 2 and 3 only
- d. 1, 2 and 3

48. Consider the following statements regarding drought stress in plants:

- 1. Drought stress leads to generation of reactive oxygen species in plants that reduces plants growth.
- 2. Some crops like Jowar secrete hydrocyanic acid, a poisonous chemical, in drought stress situations
- 3. Plants reduce transpiration losses as a mechanism to fight drought stress

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. Only 3
- b. 1 and 3 only
- c. Only 1
- d. 1, 2 and 3

49. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to Great Indian Bustard:

- 1. Gujarat and Rajasthan are the only states where these birds can be found.
- 2. Great Indian Bustard is a flagship species of the grassland ecosystem.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. Only 1
- b. Only 2
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

50. Surya Jyoti is recently in news. Which of the following is correct regarding it?

- a. It is new solar lamp developed by EESL and is being distributed at a subsidized rate for the poor by the government.
- b. It is a micro-solar dome that can light up a living room without the need of electricity.
- c. It is the latest hypersonic missile being developed by DRDO.
- d. None of the above

51. 'Rustom 2' developed by DRDO is

- a. Nuclear capable missile
- b. Unmanned Aerial Vehicle
- c. State-of-the-art helicopter
- d. Supersonic fighter jet

52. Which of the following country is the part of Horn of Africa?

1. Djibouti

2. Eritrea

3. Libya

4. Somalia

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 1 and 4
- c. 2, 3 and 4
- d. 1, 2 and 4

53. Consider the following statements regarding 'gambling' in India.

- 1. 'Gambling' is a state subject and states formulate laws for regulating gambling within their territory.
- 2. 'Betting' is illegal in India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

54. Consider the following statements:

- 1. UNESCO selects natural and manmade sites of universal value for preservation and protection for its World Heritage Mission.
- 2. The Walled City of Ahmedabad is India's first World Heritage City.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. Only 1
- b. Only 2
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

55. Consider the following pairs: Tribe State

- 1. Chenchu : Andhra Pradesh
- 2. Banjara : Rajasthan
- 3. Kor kus : Maharashtra

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

- a. Only 3
- b. Only 1
- c. 2 and 3 only
- d. 1 and 2 only

56. Which of the following is correct regarding Banking Regulation (Amendment) Act, 2017?

- 1. It empowers RBI to give directions to banks to act against loan defaulters.
- 2. It allows RBI to form committees to advise banks on the resolution of stressed assets.

Select the correct answer from the given code:

- a. Only 1
- b. Only 2

- c. Both 1 and 2  
d. Neither 1 nor 2

**57. Consider the following statements:**

1. Astra is a beyond-visual-range air-to-air missile.
2. It is being manufactured by Bharat Dynamic Limited (BDL).
3. The missile has been inducted into the armed forces.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

- a. 1 and 2 only  
b. 2 and 3 only  
c. Only 1  
d. 1, 2 and 3

**58. The government has launched Saubhagya scheme.**

**Which of the following statements is/ are correct regarding the scheme?**

1. It is a scheme to provide free electricity connections to Below Poverty Line (BPL) households only.
2. Under the scheme solar power packs along with battery banks will be provided to households that are not in reach of national grid.
3. Rural Electrification Corporation is the nodal agency for the scheme.

**Select the correct answer from the given code:**

- a. Only 3  
b. Only 2  
c. 1 and 2 only  
d. 2 and 3 only

**59. Consider the following:**

1. Pochampalli sarees
2. Chirala silk sarees
3. Banaras sarees

**Which of the above has/have Geographical Indication (GI) Tags?**

- a. 1 and 3 only  
b. Only 2  
c. 1 and 2 only  
d. Only 3

**60. India has signed bilateral civil nuclear agreements with which of the following countries?**

1. United States
2. Japan
3. Argentina
4. Czech Republic

**Choose from the given code:**

- a. 1, 3 and 4  
b. 1 and 2 only  
c. 1 and 4 only

- d. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**61. Consider the following statements regarding 'UJALA scheme':**

1. It is a scheme for promoting efficient lighting by providing LED bulbs at subsidized rates
2. Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL), a Public-Sector Undertaking is the nodal agency for implementing the scheme
3. Apart from India, the scheme is being implemented in Malaysia and United Kingdom too by EESL

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

- a. Only 2  
b. 1 and 2 only  
c. 1 and 3 only  
d. 1, 2 and 3

**62. Which of the following is/are the provisions of Metro Rail Policy unveiled by the government recently?**

1. There is a provision for mandatory participation of private sector players at any level of metro projects in States that takes funds from the central government for the project.
2. The policy wants states to charge a betterment levy in areas that will benefit from the metro rail projects.

**Select the correct answer from the given code:**

- a. Only 1  
b. Only 2  
c. Both 1 and 2  
d. Neither 1 nor 2

**63. Which of the following are the recommendations of the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act Committee, constituted by the Ministry of Finance to rewrite fiscal responsibility framework of the government?**

1. The committee has recommended for keeping budgetary deficit at 3 per cent of the GDP till 2020.
2. It has recommended for reducing the deficit to 2.8 per cent by 2022-23.

**3. It has recommended for a fiscal council, an autonomous body under Finance Ministry.**

**Select the correct answer from the given code:**

- a. 1 and 2 only  
b. 1, 2 and 3 only  
c. Only 2  
d. 1 and 3 only

**64. Which of the following tiger reserves is/are going to be affected by the proposed Pranahita water canal project?**



1. Indravati tiger reserve

2. Tadoba-Andhari tiger reserve

3. Kawak tiger reserve

4. Ratapani tiger reserve

Select the correct answer from the given code:

a. 1 and 4

b. 2 and 4

c. 1, 2 and 3

d. 1, 2 and 4

65. Which of the following statements is incorrect regarding Project Mausam?

1. It is an initiative of Ministry of External Affairs to improve relations with Indian Ocean littoral countries.

2. The main aim of Project Mausam is to enhance understanding of cultural values and concerns of Indian Ocean littoral countries that were part of ancient maritime trade route to India based on Monsoon winds.

Select the correct answer from the given code:

a. Only 1

b. Only 2

c. Both 1 and 2

d. Neither 1 nor 2

66. Which of the following countries are member if Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)?

1. Russia

2. Pakistan

3. India

4. Kazakhstan

5. Iran

Select the correct answer from the given code:

a. 1, 2, 3 and 4

b. 1, 3, 4 and 5

c. 1, 2, 3 and 5

d. 1 and 4 only

67. Which of the following institutions recently developed a portable kit to detect Chromium contamination of water?

a. Indian Institute of Science

b. National Physical Laboratory

c. Bhabha Atomic Research Centre

d. Defence Research and Development Organisation.

68. Which of the following is true about cloud seeding?

a. It is used to clear the weather for satellite launch

b. Rajasthan has taken up a cloud seeding project called Varshadhare.

c. The most common chemicals used for cloud seeding include silver iodide, potassium iodide and dry ice.

d. The use of hygroscopic materials, such as rock salt, is becoming more popular

69. Crimea is surrounded by the waters of

1. Black sea

2. Sea of Azov

3. Mediterranean Sea

4. Sea of Marmara

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

a. 1 only

b. 1 and 2 only

c. 1 and 4 only

d. 3 and 4 only

70. Consider the following statement regarding Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN):

1. It is a Governmental company established to implement GST by providing IT infrastructure.

2. The Constitution was amended by the GST Act to provide for GSTN.

3. Central, State Governments and UTs combined owns 51% of stake in GSTN.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

a. Only 1

b. Only 2

c. Only 3

d. None

71. Consider the following statements regarding Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO):

1. ISRO functions under Department of Space which is part of Ministry of Science and Technology.

2. PSLV developed by ISRO can put satellites into geostationary orbits.

3. GSLV developed by the ISRO is re-usable.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

a. 1 and 2

b. 2 and 3

c. Only 1

d. Only 2

72. 'Coral Bleaching' is the term that often comes in the news. Consider the following sentences:

1. It refers to the death of the corals due to which it loses its colour.

2. It is process of discolouration of the Corals, which otherwise is very colourful.

3. Rising ocean water temperature is one the main reason for Coral Bleaching.

4. Great Barrier Reef, the largest coral reef of the world, has fortunately escaped the recent coral bleaching due to proactive steps by Government of Australia and International NGOs.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. 1 and 3
- b. 2 and 3
- c. 2, 3 and 4
- d. 1, 3 and 4

73. India has recently joined the Wassenaar Arrangement. Which of the following statement is correct with reference to Wassenaar Arrangement?

- a. Export Control Regime for promoting transparency and greater responsibility in transfers of conventional arms and dual-use goods and technologies.
- b. Control export and spread of chemical and biological weapons.
- c. Oversees nuclear supply for civil purposes and checks diversion for military purposes.
- d. Multilateral showcase of evolving technologies in defense.

74. Recently National Green Tribunal has directed the state governments of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand regarding anti-pollution measures for Ganga. Which among the following is/are those directives?

- 1. No Development/No Construction Zone to be declared from the edge of Ganga to 100 metres on land. This applies throughout the stretch of Ganga passing through these states.
- 2. Prohibition of municipal waste, e-waste and bio-medical waste on the floodplains of Ganga that is within 500 metres of the river.

Select the correct answer using the given code:

- a. Only 1
- b. Only 2
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

75. Consider the following statements regarding E-Cigarettes.

- 1. An electronic cigarette or e-cigarette is a handheld electronic device that tries to create the feeling of tobacco smoking.
- 2. It doesn't contain nicotine.
- 3. It helps in reducing nicotine addiction and it can't never cause nicotine addiction who use only e-cigarettes.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. 1 and 2

- b. Only 1
- c. Only 3
- d. 1, 2 and 3

76. Consider the following statements regarding Asia-Africa Growth Corridor:

- 1. It is an economic cooperation between India and African Union.
- 2. Under the project, a development plan for Africa is being prepared by Japan in consultation with Indian officials and businesses.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. Only 1
- b. Only 2
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

77. Consider the following statements regarding National Strategic Plan for Malaria Elimination (2017-22).

- 1. The Strategic plan gives year wise targets in various parts of the country depending upon the endemicity of malaria in the next 5 years.
- 2. It aims to eliminate malaria in India by 2022.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. Only 1
- b. Only 2
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

78. Which of the following is/are the indicator / indicators used by IFPRI to compute the Global Hunger Index Report ?

- 1. Undernourishment
- 2. Child stunting
- 3. Child mortality

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 and 3 only
- c. 1, 2 and 3
- d. 1 and 3 only

79. There has been a persistent deficit budget year after year. Which action / actions of the following can be taken by the Government to reduce the deficit ?

- 1. Reducing revenue expenditure
- 2. Introducing new welfare schemes
- 3. Rationalising subsidies
- 4. Reducing import duty

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 and 3 only

- c. 1 and 3 only
- d. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**80. With reference to 'IFC Masala Bonds', sometimes seen in the news, which of the statements given below is/are correct ?**

- 1. The International Finance Corporation, which offers these bonds, is an arm of the world Bank**
- 2. They are the rupee-denominated bonds and are a source of debt financing for the public and private sector**

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**81. 'Rashtriya Garima Abhiyaan' is a national campaign to**

- a. Rehabilitate the homeless and destitute the persons and provide them with suitable sources of livelihood.
- b. Release the sex workers from their practice and provide them with alternative sources of livelihood.
- c. Eradicate the practice of manual scavenging and rehabilitate the manual scavengers
- d. Release the bonded laborers from their bondage and rehabilitate them

**82. Why does the Government of India promote the use of 'Neem-coated Urea' in agriculture ?**

- a. Release of Neem oil in the Soil increases nitrogen fixation by the soil microorganism
- b. Neem coating slows down the rate of dissolution of urea in the soil
- c. Nitrous oxide, which is a greenhouse gas, is not at all released into atmosphere by crop fields
- d. It is a combination of a weedicide and a fertilizer for particular crops fields

**83. The FAO accords the status of 'Globally Important Agricultural Heritage System (GIAHS)' to traditional agricultural systems. What is the overall goal of this initiative ?**

- 1. To provide modern technology, training in modern farming methods and financial support to local communities of identified GIAHS so as to greatly enhance their agricultural productivity**
- 2. To identify and safeguard eco-friendly traditional farm practices and their associated landscapes, agricultural biodiversity and knowledge systems of the local communities**

**3. To provide Geographical indication status to all the varieties of agricultural produce in such identified GIAHS**

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- a. 1 and 3 only
- b. 2 only
- c. 2 and 3 only
- d. 1, 2 and 3

**84. With reference to the 'Trans-Pacific Partnership' consider the following statements :**

- 1. It is an agreement among all the Pacific Rim countries except China and Russia.**
- 2. It is a strategic alliance for the purpose of maritime security only.**

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

**85. With reference to 'Initiative for Nutritional Security through Intensive Millets Promotion', which of the following statements is/are correct ?**

- 1. This initiative aims to demonstrate the improved production and post-harvest technologies, and to demonstrate value addition techniques, in an integrated manner, with cluster approach.**
- 2. Poor, small, marginal and tribal farmers have larger stake in this scheme.**
- 3. An important objective of the scheme is to encourage farmers of commercial crops to shift to millet cultivation by offering them free kits of critical inputs of nutrients and micro irrigation equipment.**

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 and 3 only
- c. 1 and 2 only

**86. What is 'Greenhouse Gas Protocol'?**

- a. It is an international accounting tool for government and business leaders to understand, quantify and manage greenhouse gas emissions
- b. It is an initiative of the United Nations to offer financial incentives to developing countries to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to adopt eco-friendly technologies
- c. It is an inter-governmental agreement ratified by all the member countries of the United Nations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to specified levels by the year 2022

d. It is one of the multilateral REDD+ initiatives hosted by the World Bank

**87. With reference to 'Agenda 21', sometimes seen in the news, consider the following statements :**

1. It is a global action plan for sustainable development
2. It originated in the World Summit on Sustainable Development held in Johannesburg in 2002.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

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

**88. Which of the following best describes / describe the aim of 'Green India Mission' of the Government of India?**

1. Incorporating environmental benefits and costs into the Union and State Budgets thereby implementing the 'green accounting'
2. Launching the second green revolution to enhance agricultural output so as to ensure food security to one and all in the future
3. Restoring and enhancing forest cover and responding to climate change by a combination of adaptation and mitigation measures

**Select the correct answer using the code given below.**

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 and 3 only
- c. 3 only
- d. 1, 2 and 3

**89. 'European Stability Mechanism', sometimes seen in the news, is an**

- a. agency created by EU to deal with the impact of millions of refugees arriving from Middle East
- b. agency of EU that provides financial assistance to eurozone countries
- c. agency of EU to deal with all the bilateral and multilateral agreements on trade
- d. agency of EU to deal with the conflicts arising among the member countries

**90. Which of the following is/are the advantage /advantages of practising drip irrigation?**

1. Reduction in weed
2. Reduction in soil salinity
3. Reduction in soil erosion

**Select the correct answer using the code given below.**

- a. 1 and 2 only
- b. 3 only

c. 1 and 3 only

d. None of the above is an advantage of practising drip irrigation

**91. Consider the following statements:**

1. The Sustainable Development Goals were first proposed in 1972 by a global think tank called the 'Club of Rome'.
2. The Sustainable Development Goals have to be achieved by 2030.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

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

**92. India's ranking in the 'Ease of Doing Business Index' is sometimes seen in the news. Which of the following has declared that ranking?**

- a. Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
- b. World Economic Forum
- c. World Bank
- d. World Trade Organization (WTO)

**93. with reference to 'fly ash' produced by the power plants using coal as fuel, which of the following statements is/are correct ?**

1. Fly ash can be used in the production of bricks for building construction.
  2. Fly ash can be used as a replacement for some of the Portland cement contents of concrete.
  3. Fly ash is made up of silicon dioxide and calcium oxide only, and does not contain any toxic elements.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 2 only
- c. 1 and 3
- d. 3 only

**94. What is Rio+20 Conference, often mentioned in the news?**

- a. It is the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
- b. It is a Ministerial Meeting of the World Trade Organization
- c. It is a Conference of the Inter- governmental Panel on Climate Change
- d. It is a Conference of the Member Countries of the Convention on Biological Diversity

**95. India is a member of which among the following?**

1. Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation

2. Association of South-East Asian nation

3. East Asia Summit

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- a. 1 and 2 only
- b. 3 only
- c. 1, 2 and 3
- d. India is a member of none of them

96. In India, the steel production industry requires the import of

- a. saltpetre
- b. rock phosphate
- c. coking coal
- d. All of the above

97. With reference to inflation in India, which of the following statements is correct?

- a. Controlling the inflation in India is the responsibility of the Government of India only
- b. The Reserve Bank of India has no role in controlling the inflation
- c. Decreased money circulation helps in controlling the inflation
- d. Increased money circulation helps in controlling the inflation

98. Which one of the following best describes the main objective of 'Seed Village Concept'?

- a. Encouraging the farmers to use their own farm seeds and discouraging them to buy the seeds from others

- b. Involving the farmers for training in quality seed production and thereby to make available quality seeds to others at appropriate time and affordable cost
- c. Earmarking some villages exclusively for the production of certified seeds
- d. Identifying the entrepreneurs in villages and providing them technology and finance to set up seed companies

99. With reference to the Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA), which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. It is a Public Limited Government Company.
- 2. It is a Non-Banking Financial Company.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

100. Under which programme, the government schools will be mentored by Institutes like IITs/ IIMs / IISERs and Other Central Universities and reputed organizations through innovative programmes, student exchanges, demonstrations, student visit ?

- a. Rashtriya Avishkar Abhiyan
- b. NCSTC
- c. Science clubs programme of Vigyan
- d. NCERT