

1. Consider the following statements about the Paika Bidroha (Paika Rebellion):

1. It took place in 1817 in the eastern part of India.
2. It was led by the peasant militias of the Gajapati rulers of Odisha.
3. It is regarded as the first war of independence.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 1 and 3 only (d) All of the above

2. Match the following oil-fields with the States where they are located in?

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| 1. Naharkatiya | a) Gujarat |
| 2. Nigreu | b) Assam |
| 3. Navagam | c) Arunachal Pradesh |

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1-a, 2-b, 3-c (b) 1-b, 2-a, 3-c
 (c) 1-b, 2-c, 3-a (d) 1-c, 2-b, 3-a

3. Angel funds can make investments only in investee companies that:

1. Are incorporated in India and are not more than 3 years old.
2. Have a turnover not exceeding Rs 25 crore.
3. Has no family connection with the investors proposing to invest in the company.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 1 and 3 only (d) All of the above

4. Consider the following statements about the Financial Action Task Force (FATF):

1. From the Indian sub-continent, India is the only member of FATF.
2. Israel and Saudi Arabia are FATF Observers.
3. European Commission and Gulf Co-operation Council are members of FATF.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 1 and 3 only (d) All of the above

5. Consider the following statements about the National Commission for Women:

1. Till date, only women have headed the Commission.
2. One Member of the Commission shall be from amongst persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes.
3. One Member of the Commission shall be from amongst persons belonging to the Scheduled Tribes.
4. One Member of the Commission shall be from amongst persons belonging to the Other Backward Classes.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
 (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
 (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
 (d) All of the above

6. Which of the following are among the Harmful effects of sand mining?

1. Reduced primary production.
2. Increase in channel slope.

3. Decrease in the erosion capacity of the river.
4. Drop in groundwater table.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (d) All of the above

7. Consider the following statements:

1. Mahanadi is a east flowing river.
2. It originates in Madhya Pradesh.
3. Mahanadi river covers more length in Odisha than in Chhattisgarh.
4. Hirakud dam is located on this river and is in Odisha.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (d) All of the above

8. Consider the following statements:

1. Most of India's external debt is owed by private businesses.
2. Most of India's external debt is linked to the dollar.
3. India's external debt is more than its forex reserve.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) All of the above

9. Consider the following statements:

1. Lalit Kala Akademi is the Government's apex cultural body in the field of visual arts in India.
2. The Akademi is an independent organisation and functions at arm's length from the Government.

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

10. Which of the following are the officially agreed BPM (Border Personnel Meeting) points between the Indian Army and People's Liberation Army of China for regular consultations and interactions between the two armies?

1. Chushul
2. Nathu La
3. Rohtang Pass
4. Lipulekh Pass

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

11. Consider the following statements:

1. Goods and services under the 28% tax bracket in the Goods and Services Tax are called 'sin' goods/services.
2. Cement and auto components are 'sin' goods under the GST regime.

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

12. Consider the following statements:

1. Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) is based in Chennai.
2. Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) runs the state of art Indian Tsunami Early Warning System (ITEWS).

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

13. Consider the following statements:

1. It is easier to detect localized Tsunamis than the ones which affect the entire ocean basin on a larger area.
2. Oceanic buoys detect Tsunamis caused by earthquakes easily than those caused by mudslide on the ocean bed.

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

14. Consider the following statements about the Foot-and-Mouth disease (FMD):

1. It is a highly contagious bacterial disease of animals.
2. It affects animals with divided hoofs.
3. The most significant impact of the disease occurs because of its effect on trade in livestock and livestock products.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 1 and 3 only (d) All of the above

15. Consider the following statements:

1. Under the Central government's State startup Ranking Report, 2018, Karnataka claimed the top spot.
2. Karnataka was the first State in the country to announce a startup policy in 2014, following directions from the Centre to all States.

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

16. Consider the following statements:

1. Article 266 (1) of the Constitution of India contains provisions for both the Consolidated Fund of India as well as Consolidated Fund of each State.
2. While the Comptroller and Auditor General of India audits the Consolidated Fund of India, the Auditor General of the State audits the Consolidate Fund of the concerned State.

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

17. Consider the following statements about the Green Climate Fund (GCF):

1. It was established as per the decision taken by the Conference of Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in Paris in December 2015.
2. The GCF will support projects, programmes, policies and other activities in developed and developing countries.
3. The Republic of Korea has been selected as the host country to house its secretariat.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 3 only (d) 1 and 3 only

18. Consider the following statements:

1. The Narcondam hornbill species are non-migratory birds.
2. The Narcondam hornbill species are found only on the Narcondom Island.
3. The Narcondam hornbill species are critically endangered.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 1 and 3 only (d) All of the above

19. Arrange the following States in decreasing order of their coastal length:

1. Tamil Nadu
2. Andhra Pradesh
3. Karnataka
4. Kerala

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1>2>3>4 (b) 2>1>4>3
 (c) 1>4>2>3 (d) 2>4>3>1

20. Consider the following statements about the 'Securities Transaction Tax' (STT)?

1. STT is a kind of turnover tax where the investor has to pay a small tax on the total consideration paid or received in a share transaction.
2. The objective behind the levy is to mitigate tax evasion as the same is taxed at source.
3. Stocks, futures, option, mutual funds and exchange traded funds come under the ambit of STT.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 1 and 3 only (d) All of the above

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