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- 1. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. A country's sovereign airspace lies 22.2 km out from a nation's coastline.
 - 2. There is no international agreement on the vertical extent of sovereign airspace.

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
- 2. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. National Herald is an Indian newspaper founded by India's first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru in 1938 as a tool to win independence.
 - 2. The paper carried on its masthead the words "Tryst with Destiny".

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
- 3. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Directorate of Enforcement is a specialized financial investigation agency under the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management, Ministry of Finance.
 - 2. It enforces both 'Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (FEMA)' and Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA).

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
- 4. The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Amendment Bill, 2018 seeks to transfer all pending matters related to adoption before any court to the:
 - (a) Minister of Law and Justice.
 - (b) Juvenile Justice Board.
 - (c) District magistrate having jurisdiction over the area.
 - (d) A committee headed by the Chief Secretary of the concerned State.
- 5. In which of the following judgments, the Supreme Court asked the politicians to disclose not just their assets but also the source of their income?
 - (a) Indian Young Lawyers Association Vs. State of Kerala
 - (b) Sarla Mudgal and Others Vs. Union of India
 - (c) PUCL (2003) and Lok Prahari Vs. Union of India (2018)
 - (d) Shreya Singhal Vs. Union of India
- 6. The U.S. Dollar Index is a measure of its strength against six major currencies. These currencies include:
 - 1. Canadian dollar
 - 2. Swedish krona
 - 3. Chinese renmbini
 - 4. Swiss franc

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

(a) 1, 2 and 3 only

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- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (d) All of the above
- 7. When vacancies of judges arise, the Chief Justice of India (CJI) sends his recommendations to the:
 - (a) President of India
 - (b) Committee of four senior most judges of the Supreme Court
 - (c) Law Minister of India
 - (d) Speaker of the Lok Sabha
- 8. Consider the following statements about the Earth Hour:
 - 1. Earth hour is an energy or carbon reduction exercise.
 - 2. Earth Hour is an initiative of World Wildlife Fund.
 - 3. Earth Hour is a black out event.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only

(c) 3 only

- (d) 2 and 3 only
- 9. Which of the following is true in the context of 'India-Chain'?
 - (a) It is a proposed network of high-speed trains in India.
 - (b) It is the name of a project meant to link all the Panchyats in India with high-speed internet.
 - (c) It is a network of Indian satellites making up the Indian Global Positioning System.
 - (d) It is a proposed India-specific blockchain infrastructure.
- 10. Which of the following were the founding members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)?
 - 1. Indonesia
 - 2. Malaysia
 - 3. Vietnam
 - 4. Philippines

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) 1, 3 and 4 only
- 11. Indravati Hydroelectric Power Project was in news due to human rights violation issues. The project is located in which of the following States?
 - (a) Chhattisgarh
- (b) Jharkhand
- (c) Tripura
- (d) Odisha
- 12. Areas covered under the fifth Schedule of the Constitution are present in which of the following States?
 - 1. Assam
 - 2. Telangana
 - 3. Himachal Pradesh
 - 4. Nagaland

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Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (d) 2 and 4 only
- 13. Which of the following are the benefits of the 'millets'?
 - 1. These are climate resilient crops.
 - 2. They contain anti-diabetic properties.
 - 3. They have very high glycemic index.

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
- 14. Implementation of 'protectionist policies' can result in which of the following benefits for the local economy?
 - 1. Lower tariffs
 - 2. Job Creation
 - 3. Reduction in trade deficit
 - 4. Higher local tax collection

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
- 15. 'Creamy Layer' restrictions have been imposed against which of the following communities so that only deserving among them should take the benefits of reservations?
 - 1. Other Backward Classes
 - Scheduled Castes
 - 3. Scheduled Tribes

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

(a) 1 only

- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only
- 16. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Quadrilateral engagement between India-Japan-US-Australia was initiated by Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe in 2007.
 - 2. The Heads of Governments of these four States held their first joint meeting in 2008 in Japan. 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

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- 17. Consider the following statements about the Antarctic Treaty:
 - 1. The Treaty applies to the area south of 60° South latitude.
 - 2. The Treaty prohibits nuclear explosions but allows the safe disposal of radioactive waste.
 - 3. It requires parties to give advance notice of their expeditions.

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
- 18. In the geological time-scale, arrange the following in correct order:
 - (a) Era > Period > Epoch > Eons
 - (b) Eons > Era > Period > Epoch
 - (c) Era > Eons > Period > Epoch
 - (d) Epoch > Eons > Era > Period
- 19. Which of the following provide direct information about the Earth's interior?
 - 1. Mining activities and deep drilling projects
 - 2. Meteors
 - 3. Gravitation
 - 4. Volcanic Activity

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1 and 4 only
- (d) 2 and 3 only
- 20. India has signed which of the following foundational agreements for defence cooperation with the U.S.?
 - 1. Communications Compatibility and Security Agreement (COMCASA)
 - 2. Logistical Exchange Memorandum of Agreement (LEMOA)
 - 3. Basic Exchange and Cooperation Agreement (BECA)

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

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