

1. Consider the following statements regarding Advisory Board for Banking Frauds (ABBF) :
 1. Advisory Board for Banking Frauds (ABBF) is been constituted by the RBI to examine bank fraud of over ₹50 crore and recommend action.
 2. It would function as the first level of examination of all large fraud cases before references are made to the investigative agencies.
 3. It would also give inputs for policy formulation related to the fraud to the RBI.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?

(a) 1, 2	(b) 1, 3
(c) 2, 3	(d) 1, 2, 3
2. Consider the following statements regarding Vikram Sarabhai :
 1. Union Government recently announced “Vikram Sarabhai Journalism Award in Space Science, Technology and Research” to reward journalists who have actively contributed towards the field of space science, applications, and research.
 2. Vikram Sarabhai is known as the father of India’s missile programme.
 3. Vikram Sarabhai was responsible for bringing cable television to India.
 Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

(a) 1, 2	(b) 1, 3
(c) 2 only	(d) 2, 3
3. Consider the following statements regarding stubble burning :
 1. There is an increase in crop residue burning in North India in 2018 compared with that in 2016.
 2. Stubble burning results in emission of carbon dioxide, sulphur dioxide, nitrogen dioxide along with particulate matter.
 3. Stubble burning does not kill weeds that are resistant to herbicide.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?

(a) 1, 2	(b) 2 only
(c) 2, 3	(d) 1, 2, 3
4. Consider the following statements about Global Environment Outlook (GEO) Report :
 1. It is referred to as UN Environment’s flagship environmental assessment .
 2. It provides an integrated analysis of social, economic and environmental trends that have shaped the environment.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?

(a) 1 only	(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2	(d) None
5. Consider the following statements regarding G20 Forum and G20 Summit :
 1. 2019 G20 Summit was the first G20 summit to be hosted by Japan.
 2. Pakistan is not a member of G20 Forum.
 3. G20 summits focus only on macro economy and trade.
 4. India has hosted G20 summits twice since its inception.
 Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

(a) 1, 2, 4	(b) 3, 4
(c) 2, 3, 4	(d) 1, 3, 4

6. The NATGRID –National Intelligence Grid is likely to be operational by January 2020. Which of the following statements regarding the same stands true ?

1. The NATGRID will have data related to all immigration entry and exit, banking and financial transactions, credit card purchases, telecom, individual tax payers, air flyers, train travellers besides others to generate intelligence inputs.
2. The necessity for the NATGRID came after India's worst terror attack in its commercial capital in 2009 exposed the deficiency that security agencies have no mechanism to look for vital information in real-time.
3. The 10 central agencies along with all the state agencies will be able to access the NATGRID data on a real-time basis.

Choose the correct option from the following :

- (a) 1 & 2 only
 - (b) 2 & 3 only
 - (c) 1 & 3 only
 - (d) All of the above
7. Which of the following pairs of rivers arranged from east to west of India are true ?

- (a) Parbat , Betwa , Son , Barak
- (b) Mahi , Sutlej , Barak , Chambal
- (c) Brahmani , Wainganga , Parbati , Banas
- (d) Narmada , Wainganga , Tel , Barak

8. Consider the following statements :

1. The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation attaches considerable importance to coverage and quality aspects of statistics released in the country. The statistics released are based on administrative sources, surveys and censuses conducted by the centre and State Governments and non-official sources and studies.
2. As per latest report from the Statistics and Programme implementation department 25 per cent of the Central sector projects are delayed and affecting over 150 crore rupees funds.
3. The brief reasons for time overruns, as reported by various project implementing agencies, are delays in land acquisition, forest clearance and supply of equipment.

Which of the above statements are true ?

- (a) 1 & 2 only
 - (b) 2 & 3 only
 - (c) 1 & 3 only
 - (d) All of the above
9. Researchers from the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru, studied genera of 'true antelopes' and found that the blackbuck's ancestors came into India from the Saharo-Arabian region about two million years ago and then evolved to its current form.

Which of the following statements regarding the same stands true ?

1. Blackbucks have been confined to the scrubland regions of India, currently seen in most States, including the Terai region, northeast and the Western Ghats.

2. The chinkaras which are found in the hilly terrains of Iran are known as Iranian Gazelle. Being facultative drinkers, they were better adapted to the drier, semi-arid region.
3. Genetics has now helped researchers tell two stories of origin and evolution. Though the blackbucks and chinkara look like sisters they actually may have very different evolutionary histories.

Choose the correct option from the following :

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| (a) 1 & 2 only | (b) 2 & 3 only |
| (c) 1 & 3 only | (d) All the above |
10. Which of the following cities is known as the energy capital of the world, which has been recently in news ?

(a) London	(b) Houston
(c) California	(d) Detroit
 11. Global Risks Report is published by

(a) WEF	(b) WB
(c) IMF	(d) None of these
 12. Global Hunger Index is published by

(a) FAO
(b) WHO
(c) International Food Policy Research Institute
(d) Cornell university
 13. Akademik Lomonosov is

(a) Space scientist
(b) Nuclear submarine
(c) Solar powered aircraft
(d) First floating nuclear plant built in the world
 14. Consider the following statements :
 1. ASTRA is an Air-to-Air missile.
 2. The Astra missile is indigenously designed and developed by the DRDO.
 Choose the correct option :

(a) Only 1	(b) Only 2
(c) Both 1 and 2	(d) None
 15. Consider the following statements :
 1. The Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC) is a large system of ocean currents that carry warm water from the tropics northwards into the North Atlantic.
 2. It is weakening the monsoon system in India
 Choose the correct option :

(a) Only 1	(b) Only 2
(c) Both	(d) None
 16. The President can dismiss a Cabinet Minister, who is also a MP, with

(a) Consent from the Speaker
(b) The recommendation of the Prime Minister

- (c) A show cause note issued to the Judiciary
 (d) The application of Doctrine of Pleasure of the President
17. Consider the following statements :
1. Drugs Consultative Committee ("DCC") has recommended a complete ban on the manufacture and import of ENDS under sections 26A and 10A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940.
 2. The Delhi High Court and the Bombay High Court in their orders dated 18 March 2019 and 25 July 2019 respectively have held that ENDS are not drugs and therefore cannot be banned under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940.
- Choose the correct option :
- (a) Only 1 (b) Only 2
 (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) None
18. Consider the following statements :
1. Accessible India Campaign is the nationwide flagship campaign of the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
 2. The aim of the Campaign is to make a barrier free and conducive environment for Divyangjans all over the country.
- Choose the correct option :
- (a) Only 1 (b) Only 2
 (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) None
19. Steps Govt can take for keeping fiscal deficit at 3% :
1. Upward revision of pay scales
 2. Lesser welfare schemes
 3. Disinvestment in PSUs
 4. Issuing overseas Sovereign Bonds
- Choose the correct option :
- (a) 1 & 3 (b) 2 only
 (c) 2, 3, 4 (d) All
20. Consider the following statements :
1. The objective behind MAT or Minimum Alternate Tax is to facilitate taxation of "zero tax companies".
 2. After revision the new rate for MAT will be 18.5% for all companies.
- Choose the correct option :
- (a) Only 1 (b) Only 2
 (c) Both (d) None

ANSWER KEYS

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