

1. Government of India launched the 10 Year Rural Sanitation Strategy (2019-2029) recently, which of the following statements regarding the same stands true ?
  1. It will focus on sustaining the sanitation behavior change that has been achieved under the Swachh Bharat Mission Grameen (SBM-G), ensuring that no one is left behind, and increasing access to solid and liquid waste management.
  2. The strategy also speaks about potential collaborations with development partners, civil society and inter-government partnerships. It also highlights innovative models for sanitation financing.
  3. As the nation prepares to dedicate a Swachh Bharat to Mahatma Gandhi on his 150th birth anniversary on 2nd October 2019, State Governments have been advised to ensure that no one is left behind on a top priority basis.

Choose the correct option :

- (a) 1 & 2 only                      (b) 2 & 3 only
  - (c) 1 & 3 only                      (d) All of the above
2. Which of the following peninsular rivers are the tributaries of Godavari river
    1. Nasardi
    2. Aner
    3. Darna
    4. Kadva
    5. Girna

Choose the correct option :

- (a) 1, 2 & 3 only
  - (b) 1, 3 & 4 only
  - (c) 2, 4 & 5 only
  - (d) 2, 3 & 5 only
3. With respect to the preparedness of NDMA (National Disaster Management Authority) in mitigating natural calamities, which of the following statements stands true ?
    1. The NDMA runs intensive earthquake and extreme weather events awareness campaigns and provides guidelines regarding natural and man-made disasters.
    2. NDMA has released Guidelines on School Safety, Hospital Safety and Minimum Standards for Shelter, Food, Water, Sanitation and Medical Cover in Relief Camps.
    3. The Authority has worked closely with the States in mitigating the impact of heat wave and other natural calamities , however the number of casualties have not reduced.

Choose the correct option :

- (a) 1 & 2 only                      (b) 2 & 3 only
  - (c) 1 & 3 only                      (d) All of the above
4. India, Nepal and Bhutan have decided to count tigers in high altitude of their territories recently. Which of the following statements regarding the same stands true ?
    1. While India is home to the most number of tigers in the world, most of them are focussed in Central India and the Western Ghats.
    2. Recording the presence of tigers in high altitudes is important to judge the health of the species, as poaching and fragmented habitat are serious challenges to their population growth.
    3. A study jointly conducted by experts from three countries had, in a report this month, established that there were potentially 52,671 square kilometres of tiger habitat in high altitudes or Himalayan habitats of India alone.

Choose the correct option :

- (a) 1 & 2 only                      (b) 2 & 3 only  
 (c) 1 & 3 only                      (d) All of the above
5. The “KAZIND-2019” military exercise which took place recently is the joint military exercise between India and which of the following countries ?  
 (a) Kyrgyzstan                      (b) Kazakhstan  
 (c) Tajikistan                      (d) Uzbekistan
6. Consider the following statements regarding e-course on ‘Vulnerability Atlas of India’.
1. The e-course on ‘Vulnerability Atlas of India’ has been launched by Niti Aayog.
  2. The objective of the course is to create awareness and understanding about natural hazards and help in identification of regions with high vulnerability such as earthquakes, and landslides.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both                      (d) None
7. Consider the following statements about Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) :
1. The Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) is under Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.
  2. The Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940 and rules 1945 have entrusted various responsibilities to central & state regulators for regulation of drugs & cosmetics.
  3. The regulation of manufacture, sale and distribution of Drugs is primarily the concern of the Central Authorities.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 (a) 1 only                      (b) 1, 2  
 (c) 2, 3                      (d) 1, 2, 3
8. Consider the following statements regarding Delimitation of Constituencies :
1. In the delimitation process, the number of seats allocated to different states in Lok Sabha and the total number seats in a Legislative Assembly remains the same.
  2. The Delimitation Commission in India is a high-power body whose orders have the force of law and cannot be called in question before any court.
  3. The first delimitation exercise in 1950-51 was carried out by the President with the help of the Election Commission.
- Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?  
 (a) 1 only                      (b) 1, 2  
 (c) 3 only                      (d) 2, 3
9. Consider the following statements about LAF :
1. Under MSF, Scheduled Commercial Banks can borrow money from RBI @1% higher than the ongoing Repo rate under liquidity adjustment facility (LAF.)
  2. LAF is a tool used by RBI to control short-term liquidity / money supply in the market.
- Choose the correct option :  
 (a) Only 1                      (b) Only 2  
 (c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) None
10. Consider the following statements :

1. GoI launched the 10 Year Rural Sanitation Strategy (2019-2029), which focus on sustaining the sanitation behavior change that has been achieved under the Swachh Bharat Mission Grameen (SBM-G) .
2. Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DDWS), Ministry of Jal Shakti is credited for this strategy.

Choose the correct option :

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| (a) Only 1       | (b) Only 2 |
| (c) Both 1 and 2 | (d) None   |

11. Boiga thackerayi is a newly found species of

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| (a) Spider | (b) Frog  |
| (c) Fish   | (d) Snake |

12. Country/ies which are not a member of Quad Group

1. India
2. China
3. Japan
4. Thailand

Choose the correct option from the following :

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| (a) 3 only | (b) 2 only  |
| (c) 2 & 4  | (d) 2,3 & 4 |

13. Consider the following statements :

1. High-Temperature Proton Exchange Membrane (HTPEM) technology is an indigenous technology by CSIR.
2. The New Millennium Indian Technology Leadership Initiative (NMITLI) It is the largest Public-Private-Partnership effort within the R&D domain in the country .

Choose the correct option :

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| (a) Only 1       | (b) Only 2 |
| (c) Both 1 and 2 | (d) None   |

14. Consider the following statements regarding Gundla Brahmeswaram Sanctuary :

1. Gundla Brahmeswaram Wildlife Sanctuary is located in Nallamala forests in Kurnool district.
2. Tiger population has seen a massive decline here due to Red sanders smuggling.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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| (a) 1 only       | (b) 2 only |
| (c) Both 1 and 2 | (d) None   |

15. Consider the following statements regarding Yield curve :

1. The yield curve is a graph showing the relationship between interest rates earned on lending money for different durations.
2. The yield curve turns positive when near-term Treasuries yield more than their long-term counterparts.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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| (a) 1 only       | (b) 2 only |
| (c) Both 1 and 2 | (d) None   |

16. Consider the following statements regarding legislative council of a state :

1. Parliament may by law create or abolish the legislative council in a state if the Legislative Assembly of that state passes a resolution to that effect by a simple majority.

2. As per the Indian Constitution, the total number of members in the legislative council of a state shall not exceed one sixth of the total number of the members in the legislative Assembly of that state.
  3. Members of municipalities do not take part in electing the members of legislative council.
- Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?
- (a) 1, 2                                      (b) 1, 3  
(c) 2, 3                                      (d) 1, 2, 3
17. Consider the following statements about International Telecommunication Union (ITU) :
1. It is a United Nations specialized agency for information and communication technologies.
  2. India was recently elected as a Member of ITU Council.
  3. ITU allocates global radio spectrum and satellite orbits.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1, 2                                      (b) 2, 3  
(c) 1, 3                                      (d) 1, 2, 3
18. Consider the following statements regarding 'Ek Bharat-Vijayee Bharat' programme :
1. 'Ek Bharat-Vijayee Bharat' is a major contact programme to commemorate 50th year of Vivekanand rock memorial.
  2. The programme will also focus on making people aware of the inspiring story of Vivekanand Rock Memorial.
  3. Vivekanand rock memorial has been an iconic landmark at the Tri-junction of Indian ocean, Bay of Bengal and Arabian sea in Kanyakumari.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1, 2                                      (b) 1, 3  
(c) 2, 3                                      (d) 1, 2, 3
19. Consider the following statements :
1. Project 17A is for developing submarines
  2. INS Nilgiri is the first ship of Project 17A
- Choose the correct option :
- (a) Only 1                                      (b) Only 2  
(c) Both 1 and 2                                      (d) None
20. Consider the statements :
1. Forest-PLUS 2.0 is a program by UNCCD
  2. It is a 5-year programme that focuses on developing tools & techniques to bolster ecosystem management and harness ecosystem services in forest landscape management.
- Choose the correct option :
- (a) Only 1                                      (b) Only 2  
(c) Both 1 and 2                                      (d) None

### **ANSWER KEYS**

01 d   02 b   03 a   04 a   05 b   06 b   07 b   08 a   09 c   10 c  
11 d   12 c   13 b   14 a   15 b   16 d   17 d   18 d   19 b   20 b