

1. Consider the following statements regarding Global Snow Leopard and Ecosystem Protection Program (GSLEP).

1. The GSLEP is a world first joint initiative that aims to conserve the snow leopard within the broader context of also conserving valuable high mountain ecosystems.
2. Snow leopard range countries signed Bishkek Declaration to work towards the goal of the GSLEP.
3. Every year India hosts the GSLEP meet under the aegis of Ministry of environment, forest and climate change.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

2. Consider the following statements regarding Snow Leopard :

1. Snow leopard is listed as critically endangered under the IUCN Red List.
2. In India, the snow leopard habitat is spread over the northern Himalayan Mountains of Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Arunachal Pradesh and Sikkim.
3. The Union Government had launched SECURE Himalaya project for the protection of Snow Leopard.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

3. Consider the following statements regarding President's Rule in India :

1. President's Rule is imposed when the government of the state cannot be carried on in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.
2. The imposition of the President's rule is approved by the president and does not require the sanction of the Parliament.
3. A proclamation of President's Rule may be revoked by the President at any time by a subsequent proclamation without parliamentary approval.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

4. Consider the following statements about National Mineral Policy 2019.

1. Encourages the private sector to take up exploration.
2. It proposes to grant status of industry to mining activity.
3. The policy introduced the concept of Inter-Generational Equity that deals with the well-being not only of the present generation but also of the generations to come.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

5. Consider the following statements regarding Contract farming :

1. Contract farming refers to an agreement between farmers and marketing firms for the production and supply of agricultural products under forward agreements, frequently at predetermined prices.
2. In India, contract farming is regulated under the Agricultural Produce Market Committees (Development and Regulation) (APMC) Act of 2003.
3. Karnataka has become the first State in the country to enact a law on contract farming.

Which of the above statements is/ are correct?

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

6. Consider the following statements :

1. Household Consumer Expenditure Survey was recently released for 2011-12 by The National Statistical Office (NSO)

2. The annual survey data are also used for rebasing GDP and other macro-economic indicators.
 Choose the correct option :
 (a) Only 1 (b) Only 2
 (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) None
7. Which of the following statements regarding regulation of organic foods in the domestic market stands true ?
1. Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) is the food regulator in the country and is responsible for regulating food in domestic market and imports except organic foods which comes under NPOP.
 2. However organic foods are required to comply with the requirements of labelling of FSSAI in addition to that of NPOP or PGS (Participatory Guarantee System for India (PGS))-India.
 3. FSSAI has notified domestic standards for organic products recognizing National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP), Participatory Guarantee System for India (PGS) or any other equivalent procedure as pre-requisite for qualifying the organic food claim in domestic market.
- Choose the correct option :
 (a) 1 & 2 only
 (b) 2 & 3 only
 (c) 1 & 3 only
 (d) All the above
8. The Union cabinet had recently approved the Labour Code on Industrial Relations 2019, allowing companies to hire workers on fixed-term contract of any duration. The code will combine which of the following acts ?
1. Industrial disputes act 1947
 2. Code on wages act
 3. Trade unions act 1926
 4. Industrial employment (standing orders) act 1946
 5. Minimum wages act
- Choose the correct option :
 (a) 1, 2 & 3 only
 (b) 1, 3 & 4 only
 (c) 2, 4 & 5 only
 (d) 2, 3 & 5 only
9. Consider the following statements :
1. Surakshit Matritva Aashwasan (SUMAN) initiative is focussed on assured delivery of maternal and newborn health care services encompassing wider access to quality care services, at no cost, zero tolerance for denial of services, assured management of complications along with respect for women's autonomy and dignity.
 2. Defeat Diarrhoea (D2) initiative has been launched for promoting ORS and Zinc use and eliminating the diarrhoeal deaths by 2025.
 3. Surakshit Matritva Aashwasan (SUMAN) initiative is part of Poshan Abhiyan aims to strengthen the existing mechanisms and foster newer strategies to tackle anaemia, which include testing & treatment of anaemia in school going adolescents & pregnant women, addressing non nutritional causes of anaemia and a comprehensive communication strategy.
- Which of the above schemes are rightly described ?
- Choose the correct option :
 (a) 1 & 2 only (b) 2 & 3 only
 (c) 1 & 3 only (d) All the above
10. Which of the following statements regarding the Kishori Shakti yojana & health cards stands true ?
1. Kishori Shakti Yojana (KSY) seeks to empower adolescent girls, so as to enable them to take charge of their lives. It is viewed as a holistic initiative for the development of adolescent girls.

The programme through its interventions aims at bringing about a difference in the lives of the adolescent girls.

2. States are maintaining Kishori Health Cards for Adolescent Girls in Angawadi Centres (AWCs) to record the information about the weight, height, Body Mass Index (BMI) along with other services provided under the scheme.
3. The details of achievements/outcomes made under the scheme are marked on Kishori Health Card and the card also carries important milestones of Adolescent Girls' life including mainstreaming them into the schools.

Choose the correct option :

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

11. Recently Tuvalu had rejected offers from Chinese companies to build artificial islands to help it cope with rising sea levels, an approach viewed as undermining Taiwan's influence in the region. Which of the following oceans hosts the island ?

- (a) Indian ocean
- (b) Atlantic ocean
- (c) Pacific ocean
- (d) Arctic ocean

12. Consider the following statements :

1. The absentee voter refers to a vote cast by someone who is unable to go to the polling station.
2. The power to include any category of persons like disabled and people over 80 years of age in the absentee voter list lies with the Election Commission of India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both
- (d) None

13. Consider the following statements regarding Pardoning powers of President :

1. The power of pardon shall be exercised by the President on the advice of Council of Ministers.
2. The President can exercise these powers in all cases where the punishment or sentence is for an offence against any law relating to a matter to which the executive power of the Union extends.
3. The constitution has provided a small window for judicial review of the pardon powers of President for the purpose of ruling out any arbitrariness.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

14. Consider the following statements about United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) :

1. It is the regional development arm of the United Nations for the Asia-Pacific region, established in 2000.
2. It is the largest United Nations body serving the Asia-Pacific region.
3. India is the founder member of UNESCAP.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

15. Consider the following statements regarding National Pension System (NPS) :

1. National Pension System (NPS) is a pension cum investment scheme launched by Government of India to provide old age security to Citizens of India.
2. The Scheme is regulated by Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA).

ANSWER KEYS

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