

1. Consider the following statements.
  1. The Government of India through the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) aims to boost investments in the food processing industry.
  2. 100% FDI is permitted under the automatic route in Food processing industries.
  3. India is the second largest producer, consumer & exporter of spices.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 a) 1, 3                      b) 2, 3                      c) 1, 2                      d) 1, 2, 3
2. Juice Jacking, recently seen in news is
  - a) ATM card skimming technique to clone debit/credit cards to withdraw money
  - b) Cyber-attack which alters the communication between two users
  - c) Cyber-attack through a disguised email
  - d) Cyber attack during the mobile charging process
3. Consider the following statements regarding smog tower, recently seen in news :
  1. Smog towers are structures designed as large-scale air purifiers to reduce air pollution.
  2. Supreme Court has directed all state governments to set up smog tower in cities having high Air Quality Index (AQI) Values.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 a) 1 only                      b) 2 only                      c) Both 1 and 2                      d) Neither 1 nor 2
4. Consider the following statements regarding TanajiMalusare.
  1. TanajiMalusare is known for his role in the Battle of Sinhagad, which he fought under the Maratha flag against the Mughals.
  2. Treaty of Purandar was signed between the Rajput ruler Jai Singh I and Chhatrapati Shivaji.
  3. According to Treaty of Purandar, Shivaji had to hand over important forts including Purandar and Sinhagad to the Mughals.
 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 Speaker of Lok Sabha :
  1. The Speaker of Lok Sabha leaves the office just after dissolution of the assembly.
  2. Business Advisory Committee and Rules Committee work directly under the Chairmanship of the Speaker.
  3. In the case Speaker decides some bill as a money bill; this decision cannot be challenged in the parliament.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 a) 1, 2                      b) 1, 3                      c) 2, 3                      d) 1, 2, 3
6. Which of the following statements regarding the UN report on under five mortality rate stands true?
  1. India is among the few countries in the world where, in 2018, the mortality for girls under 5 years of age exceeded that of boys.
  2. The burden of child mortality is determined both by the mortality rate (the proportion of children who die) and by the estimated population of any given State (annual births).
  3. Jharkhand is the state with the highest number of estimated newborn deaths in India as per the report.
 Choose the correct option:  
 a) 1 & 2 only                      b) 2 & 3 only                      c) 1 & 3 only                      d) All of these
7. Kaziranga recorded 96 species of wetland birds — one of the highest for wildlife reserves in India recently.
 Which of the following bird species can be regarded as wetland birds in India?
  - 1) Northern lapwing                      2) Spot billed duck
  - 3) Spoon billed sandpiper                      4) Common coot
  - 5) Pink headed duck

Choose the correct option:

- a) 1, 2 & 3 only      b) 1, 2 & 4 only      c) 2, 3 & 5 only      d) 2, 4 & 5 only

8. Consider the following statements :

1. Peatlands are wetlands that contain mixture of decomposed organic material, partially submerged in layer of water, lacking oxygen.
2. They are globally important carbon store. The unregulated exploitation of peatlands can potentially be detrimental to environment and to climate, as it could release carbon emissions that have been locked in for millennia.
3. Bishkek declaration is associated with conservation of Peatlands.

Choose the correct option:

- a) 1 & 2 only      b) 2 & 3 only      c) 1 & 3 only      d) All of these

9. Which of the following statements regarding carbon capture amongst forests stands true?

1. Protecting and regenerating natural forests comprising a diverse mix of native tree species is more reliable in the long term than raising monoculture or species poor plantations as a strategy for mitigating climate change.
2. Currently, according to government data, over half of compensatory afforestation goes for regenerating natural forests than plantations with less than 5 species.
3. The rate of carbon capture is more stable across years in forests than in plantations.

Choose the correct option:

- a) 1 & 2 only      b) 2 & 3 only      c) 1 & 3 only      d) All of these

10. World Future Energy Summit will be hosted recently by which of the following global cities?

- a) Beijing      b) Abu Dhabi      c) Buenos Aires      d) Geneva

11. Consider the following statements regarding the measurement of rate of inflation:

1. The rate of inflation is measured on the basis of price indices which are of two kinds—Wholesale Price Index (WPI) and Consumer Price Index (CPI).
2. A price index is a measure of the average level of prices.
3. Price index shows the exact price rise or fall of a single good.

Which of the following statement(s) is/are correct?

- a) Only 1      b) 1 and 2      c) 2 and 3      d) All of these

12. Consider the following statements regarding commissionerate system of Police

1. Commissionerate can be started in any city with population of 1 lakh and above
2. Some magisterial powers of DM are shifted to the police commissionerate
3. All states in India have commissioners of police in major cities.
4. Uttar Pradesh government recently announced the introduction of the police commissioner system in two major cities.

Select the correct options

- a) 1 and 2 only      b) All of these      c) 2 and 4 only      d) None

13. Consider the following data about road accident fatalities in India

1. Number of 'Traffic Accidents' in the country have increased slightly from 2017 to 2018.
2. The rate of deaths in road accidents per thousand vehicles has increased too.
3. Uttar Pradesh had the most number of deaths due to RTAs in 2018

Which of the above is true acc to NCRB report of 2018?

- a) 1 and 3 only      b) 3 only      c) All of these      d) None of these

14. Which statements are true relating to Article 2(4) of the UN Charter

1. There is a general prohibition on the use of force
2. Use of force by a state in the lawful exercise of its right to self-defence is an exception
3. Use of force with prior authorisation of the UN Security Council (UNSC) is valid.

Choose the correct option:

- a) only 1      b) 1 and 2      c) All of these      d) None

15. Which helicopters are inducted/being used in Indian air force  
1. Apache                      2. Chinook                      3. Mi-17                      4. Chetak  
Select the correct option  
a) 1, 2, 4                      b) 2, 3, 4                      c) 1, 2, 3, 4                      d) None
16. Which is not true regarding Raisina dialogue?  
1. It is a bilateral dialogue between India and Sri Lanka held annually  
2. The conference is hosted by the Observer Research Foundation, an independent think tank, in collaboration with the Ministry of External Affairs of India.  
3. Raisina is the unofficial name of PM residence, where this dialogue is held.  
Choose the correct option:  
a) 1 and 3                      b) 2 and 3                      c) 1 and 2                      d) All
17. Consider the following statements about Taal volcano  
1. It is situated in Philippines  
2. It sits on the Pacific ring of fire  
3. It has not erupted in past 50 years  
4. It is one of the 16 'Decade Volcanoes'  
Which statements are correct?  
a) 1 only                      b) 1, 2 and 4                      c) 1, 2 and 3                      d) All
18. Consider the following statements :  
A. Lothal was known as the Manchester of Indus Valley Civilization.  
B. The statue of Dancing Girl and Pashupati Seal was found in Mohenjo Daro  
Choose the correct option:  
a) Only A is correct                      b) Both are correct  
c) Only B is correct                      d) None is correct
19. Consider the following statements with respect to Prorogation:  
A. It not only terminates a sitting but also a session of the House.  
B. It is done by presiding officer of the House  
Choose the correct Option:  
a) Both are correct                      b) Only A is correct  
c) Only B is correct                      d) None is correct
20. Which of the following mammals is not native to Australia?  
a) Tasmanian devil                      b) Koala                      c) Kangaroo                      d) Camel

**ANSWER KEYS**

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