

1. Which of the following statements regarding the recently released World Employment and Social Outlook: Trends 2020 (WESO) report stands true?
 - 1) Global unemployment has been roughly stable for the last nine years but slowing global economic growth means that, as the global labour force increases, not enough new jobs are being generated to absorb new entrants to the labour market.
 - 2) Inequalities related to gender, age and geographical location continue to plague the job market, with the report showing that these factors limit both individual opportunity and economic growth.
 - 3) The report was released by World Economic Forum.

a) 1 & 2 only b) 2 & 3 only c) 1 & 3 only d) All of these
2. Consider the following tiger reserves of India and their corresponding location states :
 - 1) Kawal :Tamilnadu 2) Orang : Manipur 3) Sanjay Dhubri :Chattisgarh
 - 4) Parambikulam : Kerala 5) Dampa : Mizoram

Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?

a) 1, 2 & 3 only b) 3, 4 & 5 only c) 1, 3 & 5 only d) All of these
3. Consider the following statements:
 - 1) The global public overwhelmingly blames global warming on human activities with trust level declining in climate science.
 - 2) Indians and Bangladeshis have topped the charts when it comes to trust in climate science as also for keeping themselves abreast about news and current affairs.
 - 3) The world urgently needs to start implementing policies and strategies that advance societal and environmental agendas – from reskilling the population for the future to ensuring strong education and leadership on climate change from all sectors.

Which of the above statements with respect to the public opinion poll by world economic forum stands true?

a) 1 & 2 only b) 2 & 3 only c) 1 & 3 only d) All of these
4. Which of the following statements regarding the newly launched Seismic Hazard Microzonation stands true ?
 - 1) It is the process of dividing earth quake prone areas based on certain factors. The factors include geological and geophysical characteristics of site.
 - 2) They are ground shaking, landslide, liquefaction susceptibility, rock fall hazard and flooding caused due to earth quakes. Based on the division, mitigation measures are prepared.
 - 3) The technique gives better mitigatory measures as it helps to understand the impact of seismic activities precisely and the government plans to implement it in all cities across the country.

Choose the correct option:

a) 1 & 2 only b) 2 & 3 only c) 1 & 3 only d) All of these
5. The “Global Social Mobility Index “was recently released by which of the following global organisations recently?
 - a) World Bank b) World Economic Forum
 - c) WTO d) Asian Development Bank
6. Consider the following statements regarding JUS COGENS.
 1. JUS COGENS means the principles which form the norms of international law that cannot be set aside.
 2. These norms cannot be offset by a separate treaty between parties intending to do so.
 3. The jus cogens rules have been sanctioned by the Vienna Conventions on the Law of Treaties of 1969.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

a) 1, 2 b) 2, 3 c) 1, 3 d) 1, 2, 3
7. Consider the following statements regarding Raisina Dialogue.
 1. Raisina Dialogue is biennial geo-political event, organised by the Ministry of External Affairs and Observer Research Foundation (ORF).

2. The Dialogue is structured as a multi-stakeholder, cross-sectoral discussion, involving heads of state, cabinet ministers and local government officials, as well as major private sector executives, members of the media and academics.
3. Recently, Fifth edition of the Raisina Dialogue was held in New Delhi.
Which of the above statements is/are correct?
a) 2, 3 b) 2 only c) 1, 3 d) 1, 2
8. Which of the following are the critical components of Ujwal DISCOM Assurance Yojana (UDAY) scheme.
 1. Reduction in the aggregate technical and commercial (AT&C) losses.
 2. Timely reduction of tariffs.
 3. Elimination of the gap between average per unit of cost and revenue realised.
 Select the correct answer code:
 a) 1, 2 b) 1, 3 c) 2, 3 d) 1, 2, 3
9. Women, Business and the Law 2020 report is published by
 - a) International Monetary Fund (IMF)
 - b) International Women's Forum
 - c) World Bank
 - d) World Economic Forum
10. 'Survival International' sometimes in news is a movement that advocates the rights of
 - a) Refugees
 - b) Leprosy patients
 - c) Tribal people
 - d) Trafficked human beings
11. With respect to GM cotton production in India, which of the following statements stands true?
 - 1) India is a signatory to international treaties on GMO regulation (the Convention on Biological Diversity, and the Cartagena Protocol on Bio safety), which specifically provide for inclusion of socioeconomic considerations in GMO risk assessment.
 - 2) India is the only country that grows cotton as hybrids and the first to develop hybrid cotton back in 1970.
 - 3) Cotton is a dry land crop and 65% of area under cotton in India is rain-fed.
 Choose the correct option:
 a) 1 & 2 only b) 2 & 3 only c) 1 & 3 only d) All of these
12. Which of the following diseases can be classified as zoonotic diseases (spread from animals to human beings)?
 - 1) Small pox 2) Corona virus 3) Bird flu 4) Cholera 5) Anthrax
 Choose the correct option:
 a) 1, 2 & 3 only b) 2, 3 & 4 only c) 2, 3 & 5 only d) All of these
13. Which of the following statements regarding the recently released Standard Chartered SDG Investment Map stands true?
 - 1) India needs a whopping USD 2.64 trillion investment to meet the UN's sustainable development goals (SDGs), offering the public sector an investment opportunity of over USD 1.12 trillion by 2030.
 - 2) The opportunity in the water and sanitation is USD 19.2 billion as 24 per cent of the people still do not have access to clean water and sanitation and closing this gap by 2030 will require investment of close to USD 20 billion, said the report.
 - 3) The greatest private sector opportunity in the country is investment in achieving and maintaining universal access to electricity, which is the seventh SDG.
 Choose the correct option:
 a) 1 & 2 only b) 2 & 3 only c) 1 & 3 only d) All of these
14. Which of the following statements regarding the recently published democracy index stands true?
 - 1) India was graded in electoral process and pluralism (8.67), government functioning (6.79), political participation (6.67), political culture (5.63) and civil liberties (6.76).
 - 2) The Index also categorises India under "flawed democracies", countries that hold free and fair elections and where basic civil liberties are respected, but have significant weaknesses in aspects

of democracy, such as problems in governance, an underdeveloped political culture and low levels of political participation.

- 3) India's overall score fell from 7.23 to 6.9, on a scale of 0-10, within a year (2018-2019) — the country's lowest since 2006.

Choose the correct option:

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

15. India is associated with which of the following countries recently to build the "Aurobindo Ashram school" at Thankot?

- a) Bangladesh b) Nepal c) Afghanistan d) Myanmar

16. Consider the following statements regarding Coronavirus.

1. Coronaviruses (CoV) are a large family of viruses that cause illnesses ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases such as the Middle East Respiratory Syndrome and Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome.
2. A novel coronavirus (nCoV) is a new strain that has not been previously identified in humans.
3. In 2019 Maximum cases of novel coronavirus were reported in Japan.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

17. Consider the following statements regarding Convention for the Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict :

1. It is the first international treaty focussed exclusively on the protection of cultural heritage during war and armed conflict.
2. It covers only immovable property of great importance to the cultural heritage of every people, such as monuments of architecture.
3. United States, Iran and India are signatories to the Convention.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

18. The International Criminal Court has jurisdiction over :

1. Genocide 2. Crimes against humanity
3. War crimes 4. Crime of aggression

Select the correct answer code:

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

19. Consider the following statements :

1. Rome Statute describes war crimes as "intentionally directing attacks against civilian objects, that is, objects which are not military objectives".
2. India has neither signed nor ratified the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.
3. After World War II, there are no instances of destruction of cultural property of great importance.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

20. Consider the following statements regarding Royal Bengal tiger.

1. It is found in India, Nepal, Bhutan, China and Myanmar.
2. It is least in number among all tiger subspecies in the wild.
3. The mangroves of the Sundarbans shared between Bangladesh and India are the only mangrove forests where tigers are found.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

ANSWER KEYS

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