

1. Consider the following statements regarding Agreement on Reciprocal Logistics Support (ARLS).
  1. It is a defence agreement between India and USA.
  2. The agreement will simplify interoperability and enable military platforms to receive support and supplies across bases in both nations.Which of the above statements is/are correct?
  - a) 1 only
  - b) 2 only
  - c) Both 1 and 2
  - d) Neither 1 Nor 2
2. Consider the following statements about Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).
  1. OPEC is a group of all the oil-producing nations.
  2. The mission of OPEC is to unify the petroleum policies of its Member Countries and ensure regular supply of petroleum to consumers.
  3. Iran, Iraq, United Arab Emirates and Qatar are the members of OPEC.Which of the above statements is/are correct?
  - a) 1, 2
  - b) 2 only
  - c) 2, 3
  - d) 1, 2, 3
3. Consider the following statements regarding Collegium of judges in India.
  1. Collegium is a system under which judges are appointed by an institution comprising judges.
  2. The Collegium of judges does not figure in the Constitution.
  3. Collegium also recommends the transfer of Chief Justices and other judges.Which of the above statements is/are correct?
  - a) 1, 2
  - b) 1, 3
  - c) 2, 3
  - d) 1, 2, 3
4. Consider the following statements regarding UNESCO world heritage site :
  1. It is a place that is listed by the UNESCO as of special cultural or physical significance.
  2. Each World Heritage Site remains part of the legal territory of the state wherein the site is located and UNESCO considers it in the interest of the international community to preserve each site.
  3. India has the second largest number of sites in the world.Which of the above statements is/are correct?
  - a) 1, 3
  - b) 2, 3
  - c) 1, 2
  - d) 1, 2, 3
5. Consider the following statements regarding Mission Innovation (MI).
  1. Mission Innovation (MI) is a Global Environment Facility (GEF) initiative to dramatically accelerate global clean energy innovation.
  2. As part of the initiative, participating countries have committed to double their governments' clean energy research and development (R&D) investments and encourage private sector investment in transformative clean energy technologies.
  3. India is the founder member of Mission Innovation (MI).Which of the above statements is/are correct?
  - a) 1, 2
  - b) 1, 3
  - c) 2, 3
  - d) 1, 2, 3
6. Kalapani, the place recently seen in news is located in
  - a) Tamil Nadu
  - b) Jammu and Kashmir
  - c) Uttarakhand
  - d) West Bengal
7. Consider the following statements about Earth Bio Genome Project (EBP) :
  1. It is an initiative that aims to sequence and catalog the genomes of all of Earth's eukaryotic species.
  2. The initiative would produce an open DNA database of biological information that provides a platform for scientific research and supports environmental and conservation initiatives.
  3. It was launched by U.S National Institutes of Health (NIH).Which of the above statements is/are correct?
  - a) 1, 3
  - b) 2, 3
  - c) 1, 2
  - d) 1, 2, 3
8. Consider the following statements about Unified Payments Interface (UPI) :
  1. It converts multiple bank accounts into a single mobile application of any participating bank, merging several banking features, seamless fund routing & merchant payments into one hood.
  2. It was launched by RBI.
  3. Money can be transferred through mobile devices round the clock 24\*7 except on public holidays.

4. It may also be used for Utility Bill Payments, Over the Counter Payments and Barcode based payments.  
Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
a) 1, 2, 4                      b) 1, 4                      c) 2, 4                      d) 1, 3, 4
9. Consider the following statements regarding Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI).  
1. Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI) is an international coalition of countries, United Nations (UN) agencies, multilateral development banks, the private sector, and academic institutions, that aims to promote disaster-resilient infrastructure.  
2. It was launched at the 2019 UN Climate Action Summit.  
3. It aims to achieve substantial changes in member countries' policy frameworks and future infrastructure investments.  
Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
a) 1, 2                      b) 2, 3                      c) 1, 3                      d) 1, 2, 3
10. Consider the following statements regarding Maternal Mortality in India.  
1. Maternal mortality ratio is measured as the number of maternal deaths per lakh live births.  
2. Kerala is the only state in India to achieve the sustainable development goals target of 70 per 100,000 MMR.  
Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
a) 1 only                      b) 2 only                      c) Both                      d) None
11. With respect to the powers regarding right to recall by Indian states, which of the following statements stands true?  
1) The first recall law came as a provision of No confidence motion over Sarpanch by Gram Sabha members in Uttar Pradesh in 1947.  
2) Recall has been implemented at Panchayat level in all states since 1993.  
3) Constitution (Amendment) Bill about Voters' right to recall elected representatives was introduced in Lok Sabha by C. K. Chandrappan in 1974 and Atal Bihari Vajpayee had supported this but the bill did not pass.  
Choose the correct option:  
a) 1 & 2 only                      b) 2 & 3 only                      c) 1 & 3 only                      d) All of these
12. Recently India paid tribute to Punjab Kesari Lala Lajpat Rai on his birth anniversary. Which of the following books were written by Lala Lajpat Rai?  
1) Hind Swaraj                      2) Aryasamaj                      3) Common wheel                      4) Unhappy India  
Choose the correct option:  
a) 1 & 2 only                      b) 1 & 3 only                      c) 2 & 4 only                      d) 2 & 3 only
13. A total of 37 sites in the country have been recognised under the international treaty recently. Which of the following statements regarding the same stands true?  
1) The Convention, signed in 1971 in the Iranian city of Ramsar, is one of the oldest Intergovernmental accord for preserving the ecological character of wetlands.  
2) To be named as a wetland of international importance, the wetland must fulfil at least five of the nine conditions based on ecological characteristics, biodiversity which includes mammals, reptiles, water birds, amphibians, fish and other species.  
3) A total of 37 sites in the country have been recognised under the international treaty.  
Choose the correct option:  
a) 1 & 2 only                      b) 2 & 3 only                      c) 1 & 3 only                      d) All of these
14. Consider the following statements regarding gold consumption in India as per report released by Morning star recently :  
1) In India, the government has long sought to minimise gold imports to strengthen the rupee. This included increased taxes to make gold more expensive to purchase.  
2) Country expects the younger generations' preferences to remain below the levels of older generations, leading to lower gold purchase intensity and slower growth for annual gold jewellery demand.  
3) Central banks and exchange traded funds, however, will continue to fuel the demand for the yellow metal, as per the study.

- Which of the above statements are true?  
 a) 1 & 2 only      b) 2 & 3 only      c) 1 & 3 only      d) All of these
15. The Supreme Court recently lifted its stay on proposal to introduce cheetahs from Namibia to Indian habitat. They were to be inducted into the Palpur Kuno wildlife sanctuary. The sanctuary is located in which of the following states?  
 a) Gujarat      b) Madhya Pradesh      c) Assam      d) Chattisgarh
16. The Cabinet approved Medical Termination of Pregnancy Amendment Bill recently. Which of the following statements regarding the same stands true ?  
 1) The Bill is for expanding access of women to safe and legal abortion services on therapeutic, eugenic, humanitarian or social grounds.  
 2) The Bill proposes for requirement for opinion of one provider for termination of pregnancy up to 20 weeks of gestation and introducing the requirement of opinion of two providers for termination of pregnancy of 20-24 weeks of gestation.  
 3) Recently several petitions were received by the Courts seeking permission for aborting pregnancies at a gestational age beyond the present permissible limit on grounds of foetal abnormalities or pregnancies due to sexual violence faced by women.  
 a) 1 & 2 only      b) 2 & 3 only      c) 1 & 3 only      d) All of these
17. Consider the following pairs of nuclear reactors in India with their locations :  
 1) Kalpakkam : Andhra Pradesh  
 2) Bhimpur : Haryana  
 3) Kaiga : Karnataka  
 4) Chutka : Madhya Pradesh  
 Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?  
 a) 1 & 2 only      b) 3 & 4 only      c) 2 & 4 only      d) All of these
18. Which of the following statements regarding the status of drinking water availability in India and the Jal Se Nal scheme stands true?  
 1) The Jal Se Nal scheme aims to provide piped drinking water to every rural home by 2024 and is a component of JalJeevan Mission.  
 2) By 2030, the country's water demand is projected to be twice the available supply, implying severe water scarcity for hundreds of millions of people and an eventual ~6% loss in the country's GDP.  
 3) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers welfare is the nodal agency for the scheme.  
 Choose the correct option:  
 a) 1 & 2 only      b) 2 & 3 only      c) 1 & 3 only      d) All of these
19. The ISRO recently launched Bhuvan Panchayat 3.0 version.  
 Which of the following statements regarding the same stands true?  
 1) Under the project, the ISRO will collaborate with Gram panchayat members to understand their data requirements.  
 2) Using Bhuvan satellite imagery, hi-resolution database at 1:100 scale is applied to identify land use land cover, settlements, road and rail network etc.  
 3) The space-based information support for decentralised planning programme was taken up in 2011 to empower panchayati raj institutions and its stake-holders to enable participatory and decentralised planning in the country.  
 Choose the correct option:  
 a) 1 & 2 only      b) 2 & 3 only      c) 1 & 3 only      d) All of these
20. Indian Navy has launched "Operation Vanilla" to provide humanitarian assistance and disaster relief in which of the following countries?  
 a) Malaysia      b) Madagascar      c) Palestine      d) Syria

**ANSWER KEYS**

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