

1. Consider the following statements regarding forest and forest cover
 1. Area under actual forest cover is different from area classified as forest
 2. Forest is the area which the Government has identified and demarcated for forest growth
 3. There may be an increase in Forest without any increase in the actual forest cover
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 a) **1, 2 and 3** b) 1 and 2 only c) 1 and 3 only d) 2 and 3 only
2. Consider the following statements regarding Gross Cropped Area (GCA) and Net Sown Area
 1. Gross Cropped Area (GCA) is the total area sown once as well as more than once in a particular year
 2. Net Sown Area is the total area sown once as well as more than once in a particular year
 3. Gross Cropped Area (GCA) is the area sown with crops but is counted only once
 4. Net Sown Area is the area sown with crops but is counted only once
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 a) 1 and 2 only b) 2 and 3 only c) 3 and 4 only **d) 1 and 4 only**
3. Consider the following statements
 1. In mixed farming the land is used for growing food and fodder crops and rearing livestock
 2. Wheat requires moderate temperature and rainfall during growing season and bright sunshine at the time of harvest
 3. Cotton requires high temperature, light rainfall, three hundred and sixty five days frost-free days and bright sunshine for its growth
 4. Coffee needs well-drained loamy soils and gentle slopes
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 a) **1 and 2 only** b) 2 and 3 only c) 3 and 4 only d) 1, 2 and 3 only
4. Consider the following statements regarding oil palm cultivation in India.
 1. Majority of the oil palm is grown on irrigated land In India
 2. This oil palm is considered as golden palm due to its high yielding capacity
 3. Oil palm consumes much less water than paddy and sugarcane
 4. Andhra Pradesh accounts for the bulk of oil palm fruit production in India
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 a) 1 and 2 only b) 1, 2 and 3 only c) 1, 3 and 4 only **d) 1, 2, 3 and 4**
5. Consider the following statements regarding Coffee Cultivation in India
 1. Its cultivation is mainly confined to Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Kerala which form traditional coffee tracts
 2. Coffee is a tropical plantation crop
 3. Karnataka alone accounts for more than two-third of total production of coffee in the country
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 a) 1 and 2 only b) 1 and 3 only **c) 1, 2 and 3** d) 2 and 3 only
6. Consider the following statements about 'Plantation agriculture':
 1. The plantation has an interface of agriculture and industry.
 2. It is both capital intensive and labor intensive.
 3. Tea, coffee, cocoa, rubber, cotton, sugarcane, bananas and pineapples are important plantation crops.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 a) 1 and 3 only b) 2 and 3 only c) 1 and 2 only **d) 1, 2 and 3**
7. Consider the following statements about Seed Replacement Rate?
 1. Seed Replacement Rate (SSR) is a measure of how much of the total cropped area was sown with farm saved seeds in comparison to certified seeds.
 2. Seed Replacement Rate is directly proportional to productivity.
 3. Seed Replacement Ratio denotes actual quality seed distributed to farmers
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 a) 1 and 2 only b) 1 and 3 only **c) 2 and 3 only** d) 1, 2 and 3
8. What are the benefits of mixed cropping?
 1. Suppression of weeds and insect pests.
 2. Resistance of climate extremes.

3. Suppression of plant diseases.
Increase in overall productivity.
Choose the correct answer using the code given below:
a) 1 and 3 only b) 2 and 4 only c) 2, 3 and 4 only **d) 1, 2, 3 and 4**
9. Consider the following statements:
1. Cropping intensity refers to raising of a number of crops during one agriculture year by expanding the net area under cultivation.
2. Crop combination refers to the quantum or diversity of crops entering a region in a given period.
Which of the above statements is/are NOT CORRECT?
a) 1 only b) 2 only c) Both 1 and 2 **d) Neither 1 nor 2**
10. Consider the following statements
1. Gross Command Area (GCA) is defined as total area that can be irrigated by a canal system on the perception that unlimited quantity of water is available.
2. Intensity of irrigation is defined as the percentage of the irrigation proposed to be irrigated annually.
Which of the above statements is/are NOT CORRECT?
a) 1 only b) 2 only c) Both 1 and 2 **d) Neither 1 nor 2**
11. Consider the following statements:
1. Navratna Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) are more in number when compared to Maharatna CPSEs.
2. A CPSE which is already a Navratna CPSE would only be considered for granting Maharatna Status.
Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
a) 1 only b) 2 only c) Both 1 and 2 **d) Neither 1 nor 2**
12. Consider the following statements:
1. Salary paid by the companies to the employees, who render their services for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) will not be considered as a part of the expenditure earmarked for CSR.
2. The amount spent by a company towards CSR cannot be claimed as business expenditure.
Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
a) 1 only **b) 2 only** c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2
13. Consider the following statements
1. A medium enterprise is the one, where the investment in plant and machinery or equipment does not exceed fifty crore rupees and turnover does not exceed two hundred and fifty crore rupees.
2. A small enterprise is the one, where the investment in plant and machinery or equipment does not exceed one crore rupees and turnover does not exceed five crore rupees.
Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
a) 1 only b) 2 only c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2
14. Consider the following statements:
1. Co-operative Societies can register online using Udyam Registration Portal.
2. Contribution of any amount directly to any political party can be considered as a CSR activity.
Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
a) 1 only b) 2 only **c) Both 1 and 2** d) Neither 1 nor 2
15. Consider the following statements regarding Companies Act 2013:
1. A company may be formed for any lawful purpose by two or more persons, where the company to be formed is to be a public company.
2. Under this Act, there is no provision that a company can be formed by a single person.
Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
a) 1 only b) 2 only c) Both 1 and 2 **d) Neither 1 nor 2**
16. Consider the following statements with reference to the evolution of Public Sector Undertakings (PSU's) in India:

1. PSU's were developed as an instrument for self-reliant economic growth.
 2. Initially the PSU's were focused on manufacturing of Consumer Goods.
 3. The second phase of PSU was confined to core and strategic industries.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) 1 and 2 only **b) 1 only** c) 2 and 3 only d) 1, 2 and 3
17. Consider the following statements with reference to the Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs)?
1. The government-owned corporations are termed as Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in India.
 2. In a PSU, majority (51% or more) of the paid up share capital should be held only by Central Government.
 3. In respect of government companies, CAG has the power to appoint the Auditor and to direct the manner in which the Auditor shall audit the company's accounts.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) 1 and 2 only b) 1 only **c) 1 and 3 only** d) 1, 2 and 3
18. Which of the following are Maharatnas?
1. Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
 2. Coal India Limited
 3. GAIL (India) Limited
 4. Indian Oil Corporation Limited
 5. Bharat Electronics Limited
 6. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
 7. Steel Authority of India Limited
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- a) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7 only**
b) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 only
c) 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 only
d) All of the above
19. Consider the following statements about the Criteria for grant of Maharatna status to PSUs:
1. It should be listed on Indian stock exchange with minimum prescribed public shareholding under SEBI regulations.
 2. It should have an average annual turnover of more than Rs. 25,000 crore, during the last 3 years.
 3. It should have significant global presence/international operations.
- Which of the above statements are correct?
- a) 1 and 3 only b) 1 only c) 3 only **d) 1, 2 and 3**
20. Consider the following statements about National Financial Reporting Authority:
1. It can monitor but cannot enforce the compliance with accounting standards and auditing standards in such manner as may be prescribed.
 2. It can make recommendations to the Central Government on the formulation and laying down of accounting and auditing policies and standards for adoption by companies.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) 1 only **b) 2 only** c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 nor 2
21. Consider the following statements:
1. India was the largest recipient of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in 2019.
 2. Equity capital, Reinvested earnings and Intra-company loans are the components of FDI.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) 1 only **b) 2 only** c) Both 1 and 2 d) Neither 1 and 2
22. Consider the following statements about Taiwan:
1. Taiwan became the newest state to join the United Nations General Assembly.
 2. Luzon strait separates Taiwan from mainland China.
- Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?
- a) 1 only
b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2

- d) Neither 1 nor 2
23. With reference to Nazca lines, consider the following statements:
1. These are groups of geoglyphs known for the depictions of larger-than-life animals, plants and imaginary beings.
 2. This is on the leeward side of Andes mountain in Argentina.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) **1 only**
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
24. Consider the following statements:
1. The central government has the mandate to control production, supply and distribution of agricultural products.
 2. The state government has no authority to overrule the legislation passed by the Centre.
 3. Agriculture forms the part of the concurrent list of the Indian Constitution.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) **1 only**
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
25. Consider the following statements:
1. New START Treaty is a treaty between the United States of America and the Russian Federation for the reduction of strategic offensive arms.
 2. The United States of America withdrew from the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty in the year 2019.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) **Both 1 and 2**
- d) Neither 1 nor 2