

1. Consider the following statements regarding Subsidiary Alliance system of the British
 1. It was devised by Lord Wellesley in 1849
 2. All those who entered into this alliance had to provide the resources for maintaining British armed contingent that was stationed at ally's territory
 3. The ally could enter into agreements with other rulers or engage in warfare only with the permission of the British
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - a) 1, 2 and 3
 - b) 2 and 3 only**
 - c) 1 and 3 only
 - d) 1 and 3 only
2. Consider the following statements regarding Mansabdari system
 1. It is an administrative System of the Mughal Empire Introduced by Akbar in 1571
 2. Under this system, every officer was assigned a rank (Mansab)
 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
3. Arrange the following events in chronological order
 1. Nadir Shah invades India and destroys Delhi
 2. Babur defeats Ibrahim Lodi, the Delhi Sultan, at Panipat, becomes the first Mughal emperor
 3. Ahmad Shah Abdali defeats the Marathas in the third battle of Panipat
 4. The diwani of Bengal transferred to the East India Company
 Choose the correct order from the below options?
 - a) 1-2-3-4
 - b) 2-1-3-4**
 - c) 2-1-4-3
 - d) 1-4-2-3
4. Consider the following statements regarding Jamdani weave [early twentieth century]
 1. Jamdani is a fine muslin on which decorative motifs are woven on the loom, typically in grey and white
 2. The most important centres of jamdani weaving were Dacca in Bengal and Lucknow in the United Provinces.
 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
5. During the Mughal period, the term Parwana refer to
 - a) Orders issued by higher authorities**
 - b) The Land given to Mansabdar
 - c) Order of a member of the royal family
 - d) None of the above
6. Consider the following statements with reference to the Third battle of Panipat.
 1. It was fought between Nadir Shah and the Marathas
 2. Nadir Shah's troops were defeated by the Marathas
 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**
7. Which of the following were brought by the Portuguese to India?
 1. Cotton and Banana

2. Tobacco
 3. Assessment of land revenue on the basis of nature of the soil
 4. Pineapples and Cashew nuts
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below:
- a) 1, 2 and 4 only
 - b) 2, 3 and 4 only
 - c) 1 and 3 only
 - d) 2 and 4 only**
8. Consider the following statements about the Tagai Loans
1. These were low interest loans granted by Mughal king to the artisans
 2. These were the low interest loans given by the Marathas to the farmers
 3. The aim of the loans was to protect the cultivators from the money lenders
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) 1 and 2 only
 - b) 2 and 3 only**
 - c) 1 and 3 only
 - d) All of the above.
9. Consider the following statements with reference to the Third Anglo-Mysore War
1. It was fought between the Tippu Sultan, Marathas and Nizam on one side and the British on the other
 2. The attack on Travancore by Tippu became the immediate cause of the war
 3. The war ended with the signing of the Treaty of Mangalore
- Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?
- a) 1 and 2 only
 - b) 2 and 3 only
 - c) 1 and 3 only**
 - d) None of the above
10. Consider the following statements regarding the Regulating Act of 1773.
1. It changed the constitution of Court of Directors and subjected their actions to the British Government.
 2. It prohibited the Company servants from receiving gifts and bribes.
- 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
11. 'Operation Warp Speed' is associated with which of the following?
- a) ASEAN
 - b) European Union
 - c) USA**
 - d) BRICS
12. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Xenobots'.
1. It is both a living thing made of living cells and a machine that the researchers can program to express certain behaviors.
 2. It is named after the species of aquatic frog found across sub-Saharan Africa from Nigeria and Sudan to South Africa.
- Select the correct statements
- a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2**
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
13. Which of the following pairs are correctly matched?
- Organization – Countries
1. National Rally – Iraq

2. AfD – France
 3. Antifa – USA
- Select the correct code:
- a) 1 and 2
 - b) 2 and 3
 - c) 3 Only**
 - d) 1, 2 and 3
14. Which of the following statements is correct with respect to 'Crew Dragon'?
- a) It is a spaceship built by SpaceX.**
 - b) It is a submarine indigenously built by India.
 - c) It is a UAV developed by China.
 - d) It is a supersonic missile developed by Russia.
15. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Great White Sharks'.
1. It is listed as 'Critically Endangered' under the IUCN Red List.
 2. Young white sharks take birth in designated 'nurseries', where they are protected from other predators until they grow into adults.
- Select the correct statements
- a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only**
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
16. Consider the following statements
1. Social exclusion is a measure, which describes the greater probability of certain communities of becoming or remaining poor in the coming years.
 2. Per Capita Income does not reflect the disparities between the rich and the poor.
- 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
17. Consider the following statements
1. Standard of Living is one of the three dimensions used by Multidimensional Poverty Index.
 2. The global Multidimensional Poverty Index was developed in 2010 by World Bank.
- 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
18. Consider the following statements
1. Great Gatsby Curve provides correlation between concentration of wealth in one generation and its impact on intergenerational economic mobility.
 2. Gross National Income Per Capita is one of the indicators used in calculation of Human Development Index.
- 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
19. Consider the following statements:
1. The share of Agriculture and allied sectors in the GVA (Gross Value Added) of the Country has declined from 2014-15 levels.
 2. In 2018, India is the second largest consumer of the finished steel after 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
20. Consider the following statements:
1. Service Sector accounts for 15% of the total exports.
 2. Service Sector accounts for 75% of the GVA of the Country.

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. Which of the following statements are correct about UNESCO Global Geoparks:

- 1. It gives international recognition for sites that promote the importance of protecting the Earth's geodiversity.
- 2. The UNESCO Global Geopark status does not imply restriction on any economic activity inside the Global Geopark.
- 3. India does not have any UNESCO Global Geopark.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

22. Which of the following initiatives are launched to fight tuberculosis (TB) in India?

- 1. Nikshay Ecosystem
- 2. Nikshay Poshan Yojana (NPY)
- 3. Saksham Project
- 4. National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme (NTEP).

Choose the correct answer using code given below:

- a) 1 and 4 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 3 and 4 only
- d) 1, 2, 3 and 4**

23. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Hydrocarbon Exploration and Licensing Policy (HELP) is a Revenue-sharing model instead of profit sharing for hydrocarbon exploration.
- 2. The New Exploration Licensing Policy (NELP) will replace the HELP.

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. With reference to Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), consider the following statements:

- 1. CBI derives its powers from Delhi Special Police Establishment Act.
- 2. CBI can suo-moto investigate the case in any state of India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only**
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 and 2

25. Consider the following statements regarding 'Parambikulam Tiger Reserve':

- 1. Anakkayam Small Hydro Electric Project is proposed in its buffer zone.
- 2. It has the world's oldest teak tree.

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