

1. Consider the following statements regarding The Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980:
 1. State Government, without the approval of Central Government, cannot make any order directing forest land to be used for non-forest use.
 2. Non-forest use does not include clearing of any forest land for the cultivation of tea, coffee.
 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
2. Consider the following statements regarding The Indian Forest Act, 1927:
 1. State Government may constitute any waste-land as a reserve forest despite the private ownership of land.
 2. The control of all rivers and their banks as regards the floating of timber is vested in the State Government.
 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. Consider the following statements regarding The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986:
 1. The Central Government under this Act has the power to direct the closure of any Industry.
 2. No civil court shall have jurisdiction to entertain any suit in respect of any order or issued by any officer in pursuance of any power conferred by this Act.
 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
4. Consider the following statements regarding Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974:
 1. State Government after consultation with the State Board can restrict the application of this Act only to particular areas.
 2. State Government in certain circumstances can supersede the State Board.
 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. Consider the following statements:
 1. No person shall, without the previous consent of the State Board, establish or operate any industrial plant in an air pollution control area.
 2. Where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company, every person who, at the time the offence was committed, was directly in charge of, and was responsible to the company for the conduct of the business of the company shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence.
 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
6. Consider the following statements with respect to National Green Tribunal (NGT):
 1. The tribunal has Original as well as Appellate jurisdiction
 2. It is not bound by procedure laid down under the Civil Procedure Code, 1908, but guided by the principles of Natural Justice.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2**
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
7. Consider the following statements:
 1. The rules of Eco- Sensitive Zones are declared under Wildlife Protection Act, 1972
 2. Flying over protected areas in an aircraft or hot air balloon is prohibited
 3. Felling of trees and Rainwater harvesting are regulated around ESZ
 Which of the statements given above is/are NOT CORRECT?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 1 and 3 only**
 - c) 2 and 3 only
 - d) 2 only

8. Consider the following statements about Basel Convention:
1. It is an international treaty that was designed to reduce the movements of hazardous waste between nations.
 2. It specifically focuses on to prevent transfer of hazardous waste from developed to less developed countries (LDCs).
 3. It also addresses the movement of radioactive waste between different nations.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) **1 and 2 only** b) 1 and 3 only
c) 2 and 3 only d) 1, 2 and 3
9. The Energy Conservation Building Code (ECBC) was developed by an Expert Committee, set up by India's Bureau of Energy Efficiency. It provides design norms for which of the following?
1. Building envelope, including thermal performance requirements for walls, roofs, and windows.
 2. Lighting system, including daylighting, and lamps and luminaire performance requirements.
 3. HVAC system, including energy performance of chillers and air distribution systems.
 4. Water heating and pumping systems, including requirements for solar hot-water systems.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- a) 1 and 2 only b) 2 and 3 only
c) 1, 3 and 4 only d) **1, 2, 3 and 4**
10. Consider the following statements about Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution, often abbreviated as Air Pollution or CLRTAP.
1. It is implemented by UNEP.
 2. India is party to this convention.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) 1 only b) 2 only
c) Both 1 and 2 d) **Neither 1 nor 2**
11. Consider the following statements regarding The Essential Commodities (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020:
1. The amendment empowers Central Government to regulate the supply of Potato, Onions under some extraordinary circumstances.
 2. The amendment empowers Central Government to impose Stock Limit on non-perishable agricultural foodstuffs only when there is a hundred percent increase in their retail price.
- 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 regarding The Indian Medicine Central Council (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020 :
1. The Ordinance suspends the Central Council of Indian Medicine constituted under The Indian Medicine Central Council Act, 1970.
 2. The Central Council of Indian Medicine shall be reconstituted within a period of one year from the date of the supersession of the Central Council under this Ordinance.
- 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 regarding The Salaries and Allowances of Ministers (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020:
1. The sumptuary allowance paid to each Cabinet Minister under the Salaries and Allowances of Ministers Act, 1952 shall be decreased by 30 percent.
 2. The allowance reduction is for a period of one year commencing from the 1st April, 2021.
- 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 regarding The Epidemic Diseases (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020:

1. The ordinance defines the term 'Healthcare service personnel'.
2. The punishable offence against healthcare service personnel (mentioned in the Ordinance) shall be cognizable and non-bailable.

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 the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Act, 2019:

1. There shall be no regular examination at the end of every academic year up to 6th Class.
2. No child shall be expelled from a school till the completion of elementary education.

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

1. The pardoning power of the President is independent of the judiciary and is an executive power
2. Both the Governor and the President have concurrent power in respect of suspension, remission and commutation of death sentence

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

17. Which of the following statements is/are correct about Censure motion?

1. It can be moved against any individual minister.
2. It should state the reasons for its adoption in the Lok Sabha.
3. If it is passed in the Lok Sabha, the council of ministers should resign from the office.

Choose the correct answer using the code given below:

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

18. Which of the following statements is/are correct about Private Bill?

1. It is introduced by any member of Parliament other than a minister.
2. Its rejection by the House has no implication on the parliamentary confidence in the government or its resignation.

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 regarding an ordinary bill in state legislature:

1. At the most, the council can detain or delay the bill for a period of six months.
2. The bill, which has originated in the council and was sent to the assembly, if rejected by the assembly, the bill ends and becomes dead.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2**
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

20. Consider the following statements

1. The Tenth Schedule is added to the Constitution by the 91st Constitutional Amendment Act.
2. The question of disqualification under the Tenth Schedule is decided by Governor and the decision is subject to judicial review.

Which of the above statements 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. Coal Beneficiation is a process by which the quality of coking coal is improved.
2. Biomass co-firing is a process in which biomass is added as a partial substitute fuel in coal boilers.

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

22. Which of the following countries share the land boundary with Israel?

1. Egypt
2. Saudi Arabia
3. Lebanon
4. Syria

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

23. Consider the following statements:

1. The San Isidro Movement (MSI) is going on against the censorship of artistic work in this country.
2. It is the largest island country in the Caribbean region.
3. It is situated at the intersection of the Atlantic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean Sea.

Identify the country which has been described in the above statements:

- a) Bahamas
- b) Cuba**
- c) Jamaica
- d) Dominican Republic

24. Consider the following statements with reference to database of migrant workers:

1. ASEEM portal maintains a central repository of migrant workers.
2. The National Migrant Information System (NMIS) has been developed by the National Disaster Management Authority.

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

25. Vision 2035: Public Health Surveillance in India has been recently in the news. Which of the following institutions has released this document?

- a) Serum Institute of India
- b) Indian Council of Medical Research
- c) NITI Aayog**
- d) WHO