

1-The expansion of Urban India is a platform for :

- (a) Industrial growth
- (b) Modern Service Sector growth
- (c) Creation of improved income opportunities
- (d) All of the above

2-‘Radcliffe line’ demarcates the boundary between

- (a) India and China
- (b) India and Pakistan
- (c) India and Afghanistan
- (d) India and Bangladesh

3-Regarding the mixed farming practices ‘Baranaja’, consider the following statements

1. In the baranaja twelve, or sometimes more, crops are intercropped.
2. A combination of cereals, lentils, vegetables, creepers and root vegetables are grown.
3. No external chemical inputs are given and pests are controlled by using leaves of the walnut and neem and the application of ash and cow’s urine.
4. This system of bio-diverse farming helps maintain the ecological balance, and even if some crop varieties fail or get damaged due to pests or adverse weather conditions, the farmer can benefit from the other crops.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) All of the above

4-Which of the following statements regarding red soils of India is/are correct?

1. The colour of the soil is red due to ferric oxide content.
2. Red soils are rich in lime, humous and potash.
3. They are porous and have friable structure.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below

- (a) Only 1

(b) 1 and 3

(c) 2 and 3

(d) 1, 2 and 3

5-Which among the following cities of India will have mid day Sun exactly overhead only a year?

(a) Delhi and Chennai

(b) Srinagar and Darjeeling

(c) Hyderabad and Kohima

(d) Nagpur and Kolkata

6-Which of the following crops are grown mostly under subsistence farming?

(a) Millets and Rice

(b) Cotton and Tobacco

(c) Tea and Coffee

(d) Vegetables and Fruits

7-Where is Khatling glacier situated?

(a) Tehri-Garhwal District

(b) Uttarkashi District

(c) Chamoli District

(d) Pithoragarh District

8-Which of following methods is/are suitable for soil conservation in hilly region?

1. Terracing and contour bunding

2. Shifting cultivation

3. Contour ploughing

Select the correct answer using the codes given below :

(a) 1 and 3

(b) Only 2

(c) Only 3

(d) All of these

9-Tank irrigation is practised mainly in Peninsular India because

1. undulating relief and hard rocks make it difficult to dig canals and wells
2. rivers are rainfed
3. of compact nature of population and agricultural field

Select the correct answer using the codes given below :

- (a) 1 and 2
- (b) 2 and 3
- (c) 1 and 3
- (d) All of these

10-Which among the following states of India have common borders with Pakistan?

- (a) Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab and Rajasthan
- (b) Punjab, Jammu and Kashmir, Rajasthan and Gujarat
- (c) Jammu and Kashmir, Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan
- (d) Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat and Rajasthan

11-Consider the following statements.

1. Tashkent Declaration is a peace agreement between India and China signed after the Sino-Indian War that occurred in 1962.
2. Indus Water treaty is the only instance where India and Pakistan have allowed a third-party to help resolve their issues.
3. Shimla Agreement, was signed between India and Pakistan following the Bangladesh Liberation war in 1971.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

12-Consider the following statements regarding Indo–Soviet Treaty of Peace, Friendship and Cooperation.

1. Indo–Soviet Treaty of Peace, Friendship and Cooperation was a significant deviation from India's previous position of non-alignment during the Cold War.

2. The treaty played an important role in Sino-Indian War of 1962.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

13-Privy Purse in India was abolished during the term of

- a) Jawaharlal Nehru
- b) Morarji Desai
- c) Rajiv Gandhi
- d) Indira Gandhi

14-Operation Searchlight is related to

- a) Sino-Indian War
- b) Bangladesh Liberation War
- c) First Kashmir War
- d) None of the above

15-Bhoodan movement, a voluntary land reform movement in India, also advocated

- 1. Gramdan (village in gift)
- 2. Common ownership of land

Select the correct answer code:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

16-The Cabinet Mission Plan of 1946 included

- 1. Partition of India

2. A nominated Constituent Assembly
3. Provinces were to have full autonomy and residual powers.

Select the correct answer code:

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

17-Which of the following were the proposals of the Wavell Plan?

1. Indianization of Executive council.
2. Removing any caste and religion-based quota in the Executive council.
3. Governor- general was to exercise his veto on the advice of ministers.

Select the correct answer code:

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

18-Consider the following statements regarding 1946 Royal Indian Navy revolt.

1. The immediate trigger was the demand for better food and working conditions for Indian sailors of the Royal Indian Navy.
2. The revolt was confined to Bombay region.
3. The Indian National Congress and the Muslim League condemned the strikers.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

19-The Indian National Congress Working Committee adopted a resolution for the abolition of landlordism in

- a) Karachi Session, 1931
- b) Advent of Civil Disobedience Movement
- c) In 1945, based on a resolution by the Congress Working Committee
- d) None of the above

20-The main points outlined in the British Prime Minister Clement Attlee's statement are

1. The British would relinquish power only to a central government and rejected the idea of autonomous provincial governments.
2. Even after India's independence, the princely states would continue to remain part of British Empire.

Select the correct answer code:

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

21. Consider the following statements regarding Booker Prize

1. Sunjeev Sahota among 19 contenders for fiction's Booker Prize
2. Sunjeev Sahota longlisted for the prestigious 2021 Booker Prize for fiction for his novel 'China Room'

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

22. Consider the following statements regarding Alphabet to launch a new robotics company

1. Google-parent Alphabet will launch a new robotics company, Intrinsic which will focus on building software for industrial robots.
2. The segment comes out of X, Alphabet's Moonshot factory that houses futuristic firms such as Waymo, Wing and Verily.

- (a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

23. Consider the following statements regarding NASA's Hubble Space Telescope

1. Hubble Finds First Evidence of Water Vapor at Jupiter's Moon Ganymede

2. In 1998, Hubble's Space Telescope Imaging Spectrograph took the first ultraviolet (UV) images of Ganymede

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

24. Consider the following statements regarding Badminton Legend Nandu Natekar

1. Legendary Indian badminton player Nandu Natekar, who became the first Indian to win the international title in 1956, has passed away.

2. He was the recipient of the first Arjuna Award, instituted in 1981.

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

25. Consider the following statements regarding India's first earthquake mobile app

1. Uttarakhand Chief Minister, Pushkar Singh Dhami has launched the first-of-its-kind earthquake early warning mobile application, named 'Uttarakhand Bhookamp Alert'.

2. The app has been developed by IIT Roorkee, in association with Uttarakhand State Disaster Management Authority (USDMA).

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

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