

1. Consider the following statements with regard to Constitution of India
 1. Territorial integrity or continued existence of any state is not guaranteed by the Constitution.
 2. The Constitution prohibits discrimination against any citizen on grounds of religion, race, caste, sex or place of birth but not on the ground of residence.
 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
2. The power to grant Indian citizenship according to Citizenship Act lies with the
 - (a) Ministry of Home Affairs
 - (b) Cabinet Secretariat
 - (c) President
 - (d) Prime Minister's Office
3. List I consists of the provisions borrowed from constitutions of different countries and List II consists of the names of different countries. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists:

List I <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. First Past the Post 2. The idea of Residual Powers 3. Principles of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity 4. Directive Principles of State Policy 	List II <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. British B. Canada C. French D. Irish
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 - (a) D-B-C-A
 - (b) B-A-C-D
 - (c) A-B-C-D
 - (d) A-D-C-B
4. Consider the below statements:
 1. Lord Warren Hastings is known as the 'Father of Civil Service' in India.
 2. Charter Act of 1833 introduced an open Competition system as a basis of selection and recruitment of civil servants of the Company.
 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. Which of the following statements is/are true in regard to the Preamble of India?
 1. The term 'justice' in the Preamble embraces social, economic and political justice.
 2. The ideal of justice – social, economic and political – in our Preamble has been taken from the American Revolution.
 3. The ideals of liberty, equality and fraternity in our Preamble have been taken from the French Revolution.
 Select the appropriate code:
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 1 and 3 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) All of the above

6. The "Instrument of Instructions" contained in the Government of India Act 1935 have been incorporated in the Constitution of India in the year 1950 as
 - (a) Fundamental Rights
 - (b) Extent of executive power of State
 - (c) Directive Principles of State Policy
 - (d) Conduct of business of the Government of India
7. India has ratified which of the following fundamental International Labour Organisation (ILO) Conventions?
 1. Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138)
 2. Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)
 3. Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining Convention, 1949 (No. 98)
 4. Equal Remuneration Convention, 1951 (No. 100)
 Select the correct code:
 - (a) 1, 2 and 3
 - (b) 1, 2 and 4
 - (c) 2, 3 and 4
 - (d) 1, 3 and 4
8. The 'Enrica Lexie Incident' is one of the cases being looked into by the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea. It is concerned with which of the following countries?
 - (a) Malaysia and Singapore
 - (b) India and Italy
 - (c) Ireland and United Kingdom
 - (d) Japan and Russia
9. Consider the following statements about Hard X-ray Modulation Telescope (HXMT)
 1. It is a European Space Agency (ESA) mission in cooperation with the Russian Space Agency and NASA
 2. It was launched to observe black holes, neutron stars, active galactic nuclei and other phenomena based on their X-ray and gamma-ray emissions
 Select the correct statements
 - (a) 1 Only
 - (b) 2 Only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
10. Consider the following statements about United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism
 1. Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) and the UN Counter-Terrorism Centre (UNCCT) are transferred to this office
 2. It is headed by the Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations
 Select the correct statements
 - (a) 1 Only
 - (b) 2 Only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
11. Identify the incorrect statement about Bomb cyclone or bombogenesis, which was in news recently:
 - (a) It is a rapidly deepening tropical cyclonic low-pressure area, predominantly found in continental settings.
 - (b) It is a storm caused by a collision of warm air and cold air which develop into rotating storm-like pattern and lead to an explosive deepening of pressure.

- (c) A storm is considered a 'bomb' when the pressure drops rapidly — at least 24 millibars in 24 hours.
- (d) None of the above.
12. Consider the below statements with respect to World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS):
1. The 2018 WSDS Summit was organized by The Energy and Resources Institute.
 2. It is annual flagship event of UN.
 3. The theme of the 2018 Summit is 'Partnerships for a Resilient Planet'.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
13. Which among the following statements is/are true about Talanoa Dialogue?
1. It is an important international conversation in which countries will check progress and seek to increase global ambition to meet the goals of the Paris Climate Change Agreement.
 2. The Dialogue was launched at the UN Climate Change Conference COP23 in Bonn.
- Choose the correct answer:
- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
14. Identify the incorrect pair from the below:
- (Financial Mechanism) : : (Associated Convention)*
- (a) Green Climate Fund (GCF) : : COP 16 held in Cancun
 - (b) Global Environment Facility (GEF) Fund : : eve of the 1992 Rio Earth Summit
 - (c) Special Climate Change Fund (SCCF) : : Kyoto Protocol in 2001
 - (d) Adaptation Fund (AF) : : Paris Convention 2015
15. Consider the following statements and select the correct one:
- (a) Decreasing levels of ozone in the stratosphere will lead to reduction in the levels of smog in major cities.
 - (b) Decreasing levels of ozone in the stratosphere will lead to increase in the occurrence of skin cancer in humans.
 - (c) Decreasing levels of ozone in the stratosphere will lead to reduction in rate of global warming.
 - (d) Decreasing levels of ozone in the stratosphere will lead to increase in photosynthetic activity of phytoplankton.
16. Global Environment Facility provides grants for projects related to:
1. Climate change
 2. Ozone layer
 3. International waters
 4. Land degradation
 5. Persistent Organic Pollutants
- Choose correct answer from the code given below:
- (a) 1, 3, 4 and 5 only
- (b) 1, 4 and 5 only
- (c) 1, 2, 4 and 5 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

17. Recently, Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB) was abolished. Consider the following statements about FDI approving authorities after abolition of FIPB
1. FDI from Pakistan and Bangladesh has to be approved by the Ministry of Home Affairs
 2. Foreign investments by non-resident Indians has to be approved by Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP)
- Select the correct statements
- (a) 1 Only
 - (b) 2 Only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
18. Consider the following statements about 'INS Khanderi'
1. It is an Indian Navy's torpedo launch and recovery vessel
 2. It is designed by French naval defence and energy company DCNS and built by Mazagon Dock Limited (MDL)
- Select the correct statements
- (a) 1 Only
 - (b) 2 Only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
19. SEBI has formed a Committee on Corporate Governance. It is under the chairmanship of
- (a) TSR Subramanian
 - (b) N Chandrasekaran
 - (c) Anand Mahindra
 - (d) Uday Kotak
20. Consider the following statements about 'MERIT Portal'
1. It is launched by the Department of Financial Services under the guidance of Department of Higher Education.
 2. It provides a single window electronic platform for Scholarships and Educational Loans.
- Select the correct statements
- (a) 1 Only
 - (b) 2 Only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER KEYS

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