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1. The Genetic Engineering Appraisal Committee is constituted under which act?
 - (a) Food Safety and Standard Act, 2006
 - (b) Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act, 1999
 - (c) **Environment (Protection) Act 1986**
 - (d) Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972
2. The Genetic Engineering Approval Committee, whose permission is required for cultivation of any genetically modified crop such as Bt-Cotton in India, is under the Union Ministry of
 - a) Agriculture
 - b) **Environment, Forests & Climate Change**
 - c) Commerce and Industry
 - d) Rural and Development
3. Consider the following statements:
 1. Animal Welfare Board of India is established under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
 2. National Tiger Conservation Authority is a statutory body.
 3. National Ganga River Basin Authority is chaired by the Prime Minister.
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) **2 and 3 only**
 - (c) 2 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
4. Who of the following organisation is chaired by Prime Minister?
 - (a) Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB)
 - (b) National Tiger Conservation Authority
 - (c) **National Ganga River Basin Authority**
 - (d) Zoological Survey of India
5. Which of the following is true with regard to water on the global scale?
 - (a) There is not enough water available per capita.
 - (b) We cannot reuse water.
 - (c) **There is lot of water and yet there is scarcity.**
 - (d) There is a lot of water and yet there is constantly decreasing in quantity.
6. Which of the following statements is true with regard to rooftop rainwater harvesting?
 1. The water cannot be used at home.
 2. The water is not very expensive.
 3. Large amounts of water can be collected even with small roof area.
 4. Only the first rain must be collected.
 Select the correct answer using the codes given below.
 - (a) **2 and 3 only**
 - (b) 1 and 2 only
 - (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
 - (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
7. 'Net metering' is sometimes seen in the news in the context of promoting the
 - a. **production and use of solar energy by the households/consumers**
 - b. use of piped natural gas in the kitchens of households
 - c. installation of CNG kits in motor-cars
 - d. installation of water meters in urban households
8. On which of the following can you find the Bureau of Energy Efficiency Star Label?
 1. Ceiling fans
 2. Electric geysers
 3. Tubular fluorescent lamps
 Select the correct answer using the code given below.
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 3 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) **1, 2 and 3**
9. Fertility of soil can be improved by :-
 - a) Removing dead earthworms
 - b) Adding dead earthworms
 - c) **Adding living earthworms**
 - d) Removing living earthworms and adding dead earthworms
10. Which one of the following agricultural practices is eco-friendly?

- a) **Organic farming**
 - b) Shifting cultivation
 - c) Cultivation of high-yielding varieties
 - d) Growing plants in glass-houses
11. Which of the following statement/s correctly explains the term rjarali or revenue-farming under Later Mughals?
- (a) The peasants were asked to pay taxes on the monthly basis to the government.
 - (b) **Government began to contract with revenue farmers and middlemen to pay the Government a fixed amount of money while they were left free to collect whatever they could from the peasant.**
 - (c) The land was divided under three categories as per the fertility of the land and the land revenue was calculated on the basis on the fertility.
 - (d) A fixed proportion of the revenue from the farming was allocated to the standing army of the king
12. Which of the following is true in context of the land revenue during the Mughal period?
1. It was assessed in cash and collected in kind
 2. It was assessed in kind and collected in cash
 3. **It was assessed and collected in cash**
 4. It was assessed and collected in kind
13. The Mughal ruler Bahadur Shah II was exiled by British and sent to:
- (a) Pune
 - (b) Andaman and Nicobar
 - (c) **Mandalay**
 - (d) Hyderabad
14. Which of the following ascended the throne of Mughal empire with the title of Bahadur Shah-I?
- (a) Jahandar Shah
 - (b) **Muazzam**
 - (c) Farrukh Siyar
 - (d) Muhammad Kam Bakhsh
15. Which of the following pair(s) is/are correctly matched?
- Events British Officers
1. End of Anglo-Mysore Wars : Richard Wellesley
 2. Annexation of Punjab : Dalhousie
 3. Annexation of Poona : Lord Hastings
- Select the correct answer using codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) **1 and 3 only**
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
16. Who among the following associated with introduction of Subsidiary Alliance?
- a) Lord Cornwallis
 - b) **Lord Wellesley**
 - c) Lord Munro
 - d) Lord Minto
17. Second Rohilla War was fought in:
- a) 1792
 - b) **1794**
 - c) 1789
 - d) 1799
18. With reference to the Indian Press Act, 1910 which of the following statements is correct?
- (a) It was enacted to repeal the Vernacular Press Act.
 - (b) **It imposed strict censorship on both vernacular and English publications.**
 - (c) It was based on the recommendations of a committee led by Motilal Nehru.
 - (d) It was enacted during the tenure of Lord Curzon.
19. As per the Act of 1853, the Governor-General's Council was enlarged for the purpose of
- (a) Defence
 - (b) **Legislation**
 - (c) Finance
 - (d) Security
20. Consider the following statements regarding civil services
1. Warren Hastings separated administrative and commercial branches of civil services.
 2. Cornwallis separated the posts of civil judge and the collector.
 3. Statutory Civil service was introduced by Lord Lytton
- Which of the above statements are correct?
- (a) 3 only
 - (b) 1 and 2 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2 and 3

21. Consider the following statements concerning Lord William Bentinck.
- He created the Provincial Courts of Appeal and Circuit Courts
 - He established the “Thuggee & Dacoity Department”
 - Coorg & Mysore state were annexed by him to the British empire
 - He allowed a large number of Indians to be employed with the English East India company**
22. With reference to the SVAMITVA Scheme, consider the following statements:
- The Ministry of Tribal Affairs would implement the scheme.
 - It aims to provide rural people with the right to document their residential properties
 - It is a Central Sector scheme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 2 and 3 only

(c) 1 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2 and 3

23. Recently, “Saint Sophia Cathedral” was in the news. Where is this located?

(a) Saudi Arabia

(b) Iran

(c) Turkey

(d) Ukraine

24. Recently seen in news, ‘UN Security Council resolution 1325’ is related to:

(a) The situation in the Middle East (Yemen)

(b) Emergency Special Session of the General Assembly on Ukraine

(c) Important role of women in the prevention and resolution of conflicts, peace-building

(d) Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist attacks

25. With reference to the Minimum Support Price (MSP), consider the following statements:

1. The Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices recommends the MSP.

2. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) takes the final decisions on MSP.

3. Copra and De-husked coconut are the items included in the mandated crops for MSP.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 and 3 only

(c) 1 and 2 only

(d) 1, 2 and 3

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