

**PRELIMS SPECIAL – 22 (FOR UPSC CSE 2018)**

1. What do you understand by “Animism”?
  - (a) Association of divinity with natural forces and objects
  - (b) A ritual involving resurrection of animals from the dead
  - (c) A religion formed by outsider castes in a forest hinterland
  - (d) The core of Samkhya philosophy that teaches detachment of consciousness from animate objects
2. Consider the following statements about Brihaddharma Purana.
  1. The first printed edition of this text was published by The Asiatic Society.
  2. As per the text, brahmanas were not allowed to eat non-vegetarian food.
  3. It was classified as a text entirely dedicated to Mimamsa philosophy.
 Select the correct answer using the codes below.
  - (a) 1 only
  - (b) 2 and 3 only
  - (c) 1 and 3 only
  - (d) None of the above
3. Consider the following statements. Manipravalam
  1. Was a literary style used in medieval liturgical texts in South India
  2. Used a mixture of Tamil and Sanskrit in the text
 Which of the above is/are correct?
  - (a) 1 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) Both 1 and 2
  - (d) None
4. Consider the following statements.
  1. When on election duty, government officers work under the control of the concerned District Administration.
  2. When election commission officials come to the opinion that polling was not fair in an entire constituency, they can order a repoll.
 Which of the above is/are correct?
  - (a) 1 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) Both 1 and 2
  - (d) None
5. Gonds are a designated Scheduled Tribe in the state of
  1. Andhra Pradesh
  2. Jharkhand
  3. Tripura
  4. Himachal Pradesh
  5. Odisha
 Select the correct answer using the codes below
  - (a) 1, 2 and 5 only
  - (b) 3 and 4 only
  - (c) 2 and 3 only
  - (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
6. With reference to Medieval India, what was the Tanda?
  - (a) A caravan of nomad trader Banjaras
  - (b) An improved version of the Persian wheel
  - (c) A technology of making gunpowder
  - (d) Rust free iron making technique

7. If patches of green are seen amidst huge bodies of water, that signals presence of phytoplankton. A large such patch would signify that the
  - (a) Primary productivity of that water region is high.
  - (b) The region is oxygen deprived.
  - (c) Prevailing water is unusually hot.
  - (d) No waves or currents are found in its vicinity.
8. Consider the following statements. Under Alauddin Khalji
  1. The state brought the assessment and collection of land revenue under its own control
  2. Rights of the local chieftains to levy taxes were revived and they were exempted from paying taxes
 Which of the above is/are correct?
  - (a) 1 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) Both 1 and 2
  - (d) None
9. Chola inscriptions mention several categories of land. Among them vellanvagai was a land
  - (a) belonging to non-Brahmana peasant proprietors
  - (b) given for the maintenance of a school
  - (c) donated to Jaina institutions
  - (d) left for fallow cultivation
10. Human bodies can be scanned with Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) because they contain
  - (a) Carbon
  - (b) Oxygen
  - (c) Hydrogen
  - (d) Iron
11. The price at which the Government purchases food grains for maintaining the public distribution system and for building up buffer stocks are known as
  - (a) Minimum Support Prices
  - (b) Procurement Prices
  - (c) Issue Prices
  - (d) Ceiling Prices
12. Consider the following statements:
  1. Algae prepare food by the process of photosynthesis.
  2. Plants can synthesize not only carbohydrates but also proteins and fats.
  3. All plants are autotrophs.
 Which of these is/are true?
  - (a) 1 and 2 only
  - (b) 2 and 3 only
  - (c) 1 and 3 only
  - (d) All of the above
13. Which of the following core industry has maximum weightage
  - (a) Steel
  - (b) Coal
  - (c) Petroleum refinery production
  - (d) Fertiliser
14. Consider the following.
  1. Lord Cornwallis was called the "Father of Indian Civil Service"
  2. Lord Lytton had lowered the age limit for Indians for the ICS from 21 year to 18.
  3. Lord Rippon had upped the age limit for Indians for the ICS from 18 year to 21.
  4. Satyendranath was the first Indian Civil Service officer in 1863.
 Codes:
  - (a) 1, 2 are true

- (b) 3, 4 are true  
(c) 1, 2, 3 are true  
(d) All are true.
15. Consider the following statements:
1. Chief election commissioner of India is appointed by a Prime minister.
  2. Chief election commissioner's removal procedure is same as that of the supreme court judge.
  3. The salary and other conditions of service of the Election Commissioner are determined by the Parliament of India.
- Which of the above statement is/or true?
- (a) 1 and 2                                      (b) 2 and 3  
(c) 2 only                                        (d) All of the above
16. Which of the following states doesn't have bicameral legislature?
1. Telangana
  2. Andhra Pradesh
  3. Jammu and Kashmir
  4. Uttar Pradesh
  5. Maharashtra
- Select the correct answer using the codes below
- (a) Only 1, 2 and 5  
(b) Only 1 and 2  
(c) Only 1, 3 and 4  
(d) None of the above
17. Consider the following statements regarding Eco sensitive zones (ESZs)
1. The protected areas are based on the core and buffer model of management.
  2. The core area has the legal status of being a national park and wildlife sanctuary.
  3. The buffer area has legal status of being a reserved forest and tiger reserve.
- Select the correct codes
- (a) 1 and 2                                      (b) 2 and 3  
(c) 1 and 3                                      (d) All the above
18. Consider the following about 'Shamshuddin Iltutmish'
1. Real Founder of Delhi Sultanate
  2. Introduced two principal Tanka & Jittal Coins
  3. Created 'Turkan i Chanhlagani
  4. He banned 'Iqta System' in administration.
- Correct Codes:
- (a) Only 1, 2                                      (b) Only 3, 4  
(c) Only 1, 2, 3                                      (d) All are true
19. Which of the following regarding Continental shelf is NOT correct?
- (a) Shelves are absent close to plate boundaries.
  - (b) They are highly sedimented.
  - (c) They have abrupt falls towards continental slopes.
  - (d) They are rich fishing areas
20. With references to the mineral sources of India, consider the following pairs:
1. Copper: Jharkhand
  2. Nickel : Odisha
  3. Tungsten: Kerala

Which of the given pair(s) given above are incorrect?

- (a) Only 2 and 3
- (b) Only 1 and 3
- (c) Only 2
- (d) Only 1 and 2

### ANSWER KEYS

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11 b 12 a 13 c 14 d 15 b 16 d 17 c 18 c 19 a 20 b