

POLITY

1. Consider the following pairs:

1. Berubari Union Case-Preamble is a part of the Constitution.
2. Kesavananda Bharati Case- Preamble is not a part of the constitution.
3. LIC of India case-Preamble is an integral part of the constitution.

Choose the correct answer form the codes given below.

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| a) 1 only | b) 2 only |
| (c) 3 only | d) 1, 2 and 3 |

2. Which of the following are authorized by the Constitution of India to regulate matters regarding Citizenship?

- (a) The President
- (b) The Parliament**
- (c) Union Cabinet
- (d) Ministry of Home Affairs

3. Consider the following statements:

1. Article 23 prohibits traffic in human beings, begar (forced labour) and other similar forms of forced labour.
2. Article 24 prohibits the employment of children below the age of 14 years in any hazardous activities or harmless work.
3. The prohibition of traffic in human beings and forced labour right is available to both the citizens and the Non-citizens.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

4. Consider the following statements:

1. 'Adjournment Sine Die' means terminating a sitting of the Parliament for an indefinite period.
2. The Power of Prorogation lies with the Presiding Officer of the House.
3. Unlike a Prorogation, a 'Dissolution' ends the very life of the existing House (The Lok Sabha).

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

5. A person, to be eligible for the election as the President, should fulfil which of the following qualifications?

1. He should have completed 30 years of age.
2. He should be qualified for the election as a member of the Lok Sabha.
3. He should not hold any office of profit under

the Union Government.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

6. Consider the following statements:

1. The total number of Ministers, excluding the Prime Minister, in the Council of Ministers shall not exceed 15% of the total strength of the Lok Sabha.

2. The President shall administer the oaths of office and secrecy to a Minister.

3. The Council of Ministers shall be collectively responsible to the Lok Sabha.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

7. With respect to the "Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG)", consider the following statements:

1. He holds the office for a period of 7 years or upto the age of 60 years, whichever is earlier.
2. He can also be removed by the President on the same grounds and in the same manner as a judge of the Supreme Court.
3. He is not eligible for further office, either under the Government of India or of any state, after he ceases to hold his office.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

8. Which of the following will fall under the list of Fundamental Duties?

1. To uphold and protect the sovereignty, unity and integrity of India.
2. To provide opportunities for education to his child or ward between the age of 6 and 14 years.
3. The protection and improvement of environment and safeguarding of forests and wildlife.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

9. By which of the following Amendment Acts, Constitutional status has been given to the

National Commission for Backward Classes?

- (a) 100th Amendment Act, 2015.
- (b) 101st Amendment Act, 2016.
- (c) 102nd Amendment Act, 2018.**
- (d) 103rd Amendment Act, 2019.

10. Consider the following statements about the Competition Commission of India (CCI):

- 1. It regulates 'mergers' and 'acquisitions', or 'takeovers' taking place in the market.
- 2. Its Chairperson and members are eligible for re-appointment.

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

GEOGRAPHY

11. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Kalgoorlie and Coolgardie areas of Western Australia have the largest deposits of gold.
- 2. There is a significant size of deposits of coal in the Transantarctic Mountains in Antarctica.

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

12. Consider the following statements about alluvial soils:

- 1. The alluvial soils vary in nature from sandy loam to clay.
- 2. Its shades depend on the depth of the deposition, the texture of the materials.
- 3. They are generally rich in potash, but poor in phosphorous.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

13. Consider the following statements about the Achanakmar-Amarkantak Biosphere Reserve:

- 1. The Achanakmar-Amarkantak Biosphere Reserve is an ecologically diverse landscape in Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra.
- 2. Mostly moist deciduous forests constitute the area.

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 about the Madden-Julian Oscillation (MJO):

- 1. The MJO can be characterised as an eastward moving 'pulse' of cloud and rainfall near the Equator.
- 2. MJO effects are most evident over the Indian Ocean and the Western Equatorial Pacific.
- 3. Tropical cyclones are more likely to develop in association with certain phases of a strong MJO event.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

15. Consider the following statements about the characteristics of monsoonal rainfall:

- 1. Rainfall received from the south-west monsoons occurs between June and September.
- 2. Monsoonal rainfall is largely governed by relief or topography.
- 3. The monsoon rains occur in wet spells of a few days' duration at a time.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

16. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Ramganga River rises in the Milam glacier.
- 2. The Saryu River rises in the Nepal Himalayas.
- 3. The Mahananda rises in the Darjeeling hills.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

17. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Himalayas in the Darjeeling and Sikkim regions lie in an east-west direction.
- 2. In Nagaland, Manipur and Mizoram, the Himalayas are in the north-south direction.

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

18. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The air circulation over the oceans in the middle latitudes is mainly anti-cyclonic.
- 2. Due to the Coriolis Force, the warm currents from low latitudes tend to move to the left in the

northern hemisphere.

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:

1. Crescent shaped dunes, called barchans, with the points or wings directed away from the wind direction.

2. Seif is similar to barchan.

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

20. With respect to the "salt marshes", consider the following statements:

1. There is a condition of hypoxia in the salt marshes.

2. The largest extent of the salt marshes in India is in Rajasthan.

3. They destroy the shorelines and increase the flooding of rain-water.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

CURRENT AFFAIRS

1. 'Wagner Group' seen in news often is /are relate to which of the following?

- a) Cybercrime group
- b) Private military organization**
- c) Business lobbyists
- d) Paramedics involved in rescue operations

2. Considered the following statement about Nai Pahal Scheme and chooses the incorrect Answer?

a) Odisha government is going to launch a new Nai Pahal Scheme 2023 for newlywed couples.

b) A booklet on methods and benefits of family planning, marriage registration forms, condoms, oral and emergency contraceptives is provided in this wedding kit.

c) Odisha Nai Pahal Scheme has been started by the state government under the Ayushman Bharat scheme.

d) Odisha is the first state in the country to start such a scheme for family planning.

3. Pritzker prize is associated with which of the Following fields?

- (a) Medicine
- (b) Mathematics
- (c) Architecture**
- (d) Philosophy

4. Which of the following statement is incorrect regarding iGOT Karmayogi?

a) Integrated Government Online Training (iGOT) platform is an online training platform launched by Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.

b) It was launched for the capacity building of frontline workers to tackle the pandemic.

c) It is hosted on the Digital Infrastructure Knowledge Sharing (DIKSHA) platform.

d) iGOT Karmayogi is an e-learning platform developed as an integral part of the Digital India stack for capacity building of all government employees.

5. What is 'green hydrogen', sometimes mentioned in the news?

a) Hydrogen generated through electrolysis powered by nuclear energy.

b) Hydrogen generated through electrolysis with solar power.

c) Hydrogen created from fossil sources, where the carbon emissions are captured and stored.

d) Hydrogen produced by electrolysis using renewable energy.