

PRELIMS SPECIAL – 34 (FOR UPSC CSE 2018)

1. Which of the following are correctly matched?
 1. Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre: Thiruvananthapuram
 2. Satish Dhawan Space Centre: Sriharikota
 3. Space Application Centre: Bangalore
 4. National Remote Sensing Centre: Hyderabad

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

 - (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
 - (b) 1, 2 and 4 only
 - (c) 2, 3 and 4 only
 - (d) All of the above
2. Which of the following are the launch vehicles developed by India?
 1. Satellite Launch Vehicle-3
 2. Augmented Satellite Launch Vehicle
 3. Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle
 4. Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

 - (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
 - (b) 1 and 2 only
 - (c) 3 and 4 only
 - (d) All of the above
3. Consider the following statements about the review petition in India:
 1. A review petition can be filed on very limited grounds only.
 2. Courts generally do not unsettle a decision in a review petition.
 3. The review petition goes to the same bench of judges that delivered the judgement.

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) All of the above
4. National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) was constituted under the Companies Act, 2013 for hearing appeals against the orders of which of the following?
 - (a) National Company Law Tribunal(s)
 - (b) Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India
 - (c) Competition Commission of India
 - (d) All of the above
5. Which of the following Articles grants the linguistic or religious minorities the right to establish, and to administer educational institutions of their choice?
 - (a) Article 27
 - (b) Article 28
 - (c) Article 29
 - (d) Article 30
6. Why was Thumba selected for being rocket launching station?
 - (a) The area surrounding Thumba is sparsely populated.
 - (b) So that rockets launched from this site fall back into the sea.
 - (c) The geomagnetic equator of the earth passes over Thumba.
 - (d) It is strategically located, away from the volatile borders of India.

7. Consider the following statements about the Universal Service Obligation Fund?
 1. It aims to provide universal access to telecom services.
 2. It is a non-lapsable fund.
 3. All credits to the fund require parliamentary approval.
 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) All of the above
8. Consider the following statements about the Indian Science Technology and Engineering facilities Map or I-STEM:
 1. Institutions with R&D facilities funded by agencies of the Government are required to list them on the I-STEM Portal.
 2. Through the I-STEM Portal or the web site of the organization where the desired facility is located, one can make a reservation for using it.
 3. The use of such facility is free of cost if the user is from the academia or from a public institution.
 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) All of the above
9. A city can be declared open defecation free city when:
 - (a) At any point of the day, not a single person is found defecating in the open.
 - (b) All the households have toilets facilities in their houses.
 - (c) All commercial areas have public toilets.
 - (d) Human feces can't be found in open areas for 30 consecutive days.
10. What does the letter 'RH' and the numerals on an Indian sounding rocket signify?
 - (a) RH refers to the power of the rocket and the numerals refer to the number of fuels tank attached.
 - (b) RH refers to the power of the rocket and the numerals refer to the time after which the rocket will get separated from the satellite.
 - (c) RH refers to whether the rocket is Polar Space launch vehicle or Geo Synchronous Launch Vehicle and the numerals refer to the number of fuels tank attached.
 - (d) None of the above.
11. Thrissur Pooram festival was recently in news for cruelty towards elephants. This festival is celebrated in:

(a) Karnataka	(b) Kerala
(c) Chhattisgarh	(d) Tamil Nadu
12. Consider the following statements about the 'Monitoring the Killing of Elephants' (MIKE) programme:
 1. It is an international collaboration that tracks trends in information related to the illegal killing of elephants from across Asia.
 2. It was established through a Conference of the Parties (COP) resolution to the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES).
 3. It is entirely funded by the International Union for Conservation of Nature and CITES.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

13. Which of the following are MIKE (Monitoring the Killing of Elephants) sites in India?

- 1. Periyar Elephant Reserve
- 2. Chirang-Ripu Elephant Reserve
- 3. Deomali Elephant Reserve
- 4. Mysore Elephant Reserve

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 3 and 4 only

14. Which of the following is charged with issuing tsunami alerts in India?

- (a) Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services
- (b) National Centre for Antarctic and Ocean Research
- (c) National Disaster Management Agency
- (d) The Ministry of Home Affairs

15. Consider the following statements:

- 1. 'Swell waves' are the precursor of Tsunami waves.
- 2. 'Swell waves' are experienced only along the eastern coast of India.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

16. The motion concerning the impeachment of a judge of the Supreme Court has to be passed by:

- 1. The Lok Sabha with a two-thirds majority of the total membership of the House.
- 2. The Rajya Sabha with a two-thirds majority of the total membership of the House.
- 3. Both the Houses with a two-thirds majority of the total membership of the House.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) None of these

17. Consider the following statements about the Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS):

- 1. It is a coalition of small island and low-lying coastal countries that share similar development challenges and concerns about the environment.
- 2. All the members of AOSIS are members of the United Nations.
- 3. Members of AOSIS are drawn from all oceans and regions of the world.

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) All of the above

18. Consider the following statements about the 'Mutual Agreement Procedure' (MAP):
1. MAP is an alternative available to taxpayers for resolving disputes giving rise to double taxation.
 2. MAP can be used to resolve both juridical and economic disputes.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
19. Which of the following kind of issues can be taken for resolution under the 'Mutual Agreement Procedure' (MAP)?
1. Adjustment arising from Transfer Pricing assessment.
 2. Issues relating to existence of Permanent Establishment.
 3. Characterisation of income.
 4. Attribution of profits to Permanent Establishment.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
 - (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
 - (c) 1, 2 and 4 only
 - (d) All of the above
20. Consider the following statements about INTERPOL:
1. INTERPOL's General Secretariat is based in Lyon, France.
 2. INTERPOL works only with those organisations which are from public sector and are not for-profit entities.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2

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