

**PRELIMS SPECIAL – 39 (FOR UPSC CSE 2018)**

1. The National e-Governance Awards recognise and promote excellence in implementation of e-Governance initiatives taken by which of the following?
  1. Government departments
  2. Public sector units
  3. Non- Government InstitutionsSelect 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
2. Consider the following statements about the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB):
  1. It has its headquarters in Beijing.
  2. India is one of the founding members of AIIB.
  3. It aims to improve social and economic outcomes in Asian region only.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
3. Consider the following statements:
  1. National Science Day is celebrated on 28th of February every year in order to commemorate the invention of the Raman Effect by Sir Chandrasekhara Venkata Raman on the same day in the year 1928.
  2. Chandrasekhara Venkata Raman was awarded and honoured with the Nobel Prize in the Physics in the year 1930 for discovering the Raman Effect.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
4. Consider the following statements:
  1. The Financial Action Task Force (FATF) was established in 1989 by a Group of Seven (G-7) Summit in Paris.
  2. In addition to money laundering the FATF's mandate incorporates efforts to combat terrorist financing.
  3. The FATF has recently decided to include Pakistan back on its watch list.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

5. To Counter the Belt and Road Initiative of China, which of the following Countries has launched 'Free and Open Indo-Pacific Strategy':
- (a) India (b) Russia  
(c) Japan (d) U.S.
6. Which of the following countries has won the largest number of medals at the 2018 Winter Olympics?
- (a) Norway (b) Finland  
(c) Germany (d) U.S.
7. Which of the following is an ecosystem service provided by a natural ecosystem?
- (a) Cycling of nutrients  
(b) Prevention of soil erosion  
(c) Pollutant absorption and reduction of the threat of global warming  
(d) All of the above
8. Consider the following statements:
1. The Montreal protocol is associated with the control of emission of ozone depleting substances.
  2. Methane and carbon dioxide are green house gases.
  3. Dobson units are used to measure oxygen content.
  4. Use of incinerators is crucial to disposal of hospital wastes.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only  
(b) 2, 3 and 4 only  
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only  
(d) All of the above
9. The green scum seen in the fresh water bodies is:
- (a) blue green algae (b) red algae  
(c) green algae (d) both (a) and (c)
10. Catalytic converters are fitted into automobiles to reduce emission of harmful gases. Catalytic converters change unburnt hydrocarbons into:
- (a) carbon dioxide and water  
(b) carbon mono-oxide  
(c) methane  
(d) carbon dioxide and methane
11. Consider the following statements about the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT):
1. It is a quasi judicial institution.
  2. Appeals against its orders lie to the Supreme Court only if a substantial question of law arises for determination.
  3. It functions under the Department of Legal Affairs in the Ministry of Law and Justice.
- 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

12. Consider the following statements about the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP):

1. PMEGP is a major credit-linked subsidy programme being implemented by the Ministry of MSME since 2008-09.
2. The Scheme is aimed at generating self-employment opportunities through establishment of micro- enterprises in the non-farm sector.
3. The Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) is the nodal implementation agency for the PMEGP at the national level.

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

13. The Government has identified 12 Champion Services Sectors for promoting their development, and realizing their potential. Which of the following are among these sectors?

1. Information Technology & Information Technology enabled Services (IT & ITes)
2. Tourism and Hospitality Services
3. Accounting and Finance Services
4. Construction and Related Engineering Services

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (d) All of the above

14. Consider the following statements:

1. Mega Food Park Scheme in the country is being implemented by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries.
2. The Mega Food Park project is implemented by a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV).
3. Under the Scheme, Government of India provides financial assistance upto Rs. 100.00 Crore per Mega Food Park project.

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

15. Consider the following statements:

1. INDIA size is a National Sizing Survey to develop a comprehensive size chart for ready-to- wear industry based on the body measurements of the Indian population.
2. Sample population for the Survey is the age group 5 to 65 years.
3. The survey will be conducted by the National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT), New Delhi, under the Ministry of Textiles, Govt of India.

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

16. Consider the following statements about the "Green Good Deeds" campaign:

1. The campaign has been launched by the Environment Ministry to sensitise the people and students about climate change and global warming.
2. The objective of the campaign is to restore and return the clean and green environment to the next generation.

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

17. 'NAG' missile which was recently in news is a/an:

- (a) surface-to-air missile.
- (b) surface-to-surface missile.
- (c) anti-submarine missile.
- (d) anti-tank guided missile.

18. "Lamitye" 2018 is the joint military exercise between the Indian Army and the Army of which of the following countries?

- (a) Maldives
- (b) Bangladesh
- (c) Thailand
- (d) Seychelles

19. Algal blooms impart a distinct colour to water due to:

- (a) their pigments.
- (b) excretion of coloured substances.
- (c) formation of coloured chemicals in water facilitated by physiological degradation of algae.
- (d) absorption of light by algal cell wall.

20. Nuisance growth of aquatic plants and bloom-forming algae in natural waters is generally due to high concentrations of:

- (a) carbon
- (b) sulphur
- (c) calcium
- (d) phosphorus

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