

- 1. Which of the following countries are part of the International North-South Transport Corridor (INSTC)?
 - 1. China
 - 2. India
 - 3. Iran
 - 4. Russia

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
- 2. Arrange the following countries in decreasing order of the amount of crude oil they supply to India:
 - 1. Iran
 - 2. Iraq
 - 3. Saudi Arabia

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1-2-3
- (b) 2-3-1
- (c) 1-3-2
- (d) 2-1-3
- 3. Parliamentary privileges are available to which of the following?
 - 1. Members of the Rajya Sabha
 - 2. Members of the Lok Sabha
 - 3. Union Ministers who are not members of either Lok Sabha or Rajya Sabha
 - 4. President of India

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
- 4. The direction of wind around a low pressure in northern hemisphere is:
 - (a) Clockwise
 - (b) Anti-clock wise
 - (c) Perpendicular to isobars
 - (d) Parallel to isobars
- 5. Which of the following colour codes signifying the level of caution issued by Indian Meteorological Department are correctly matched with the associated warning:
 - 1. Green: no action
 - 2. Yellow: situation to be watched
 - 3. Amber: government agencies be prepared for severe weather
 - 4. Red: action needed by the agencies

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



- 6. Which of the following could be the effects of rising Carbon Dioxide levels on Crops/Plants?
 - 1. Increase in crop yields.
 - 2. Increase in the amount of water crops lose through transpiration.
 - 3. Increase in the runoff from the land surface.

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
- 7. Which of the following products which were awarded the Geographical Indication tag between April 2017 to March 2018 have been correctly matched with their States of origin:
 - 1. Etikoppaka Toys: Andhra Pradesh
 - 2. Magahi Paan: Bihar
 - 3. Purulia Chau Mask: Uttar Pradesh

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. Between April 2017 to March 2018 which of the following States has got maximum number of Geographical Indication tags for their products?
 - (a) Andhra Pradesh
- (b) Bihar
- (c) Uttar Pradesh
- (d) West Bengal
- 9. Under the Foreigners (Restricted) Areas Order, 1963, which of the following areas have been declared as 'Restricted' Areas:-
 - 1. Andaman & Nicobar Islands
 - 2. Parts of Sikkim
 - 3. Nagaland

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
- 10. Shale gas blocks in India can be found in which of the following States?
 - 1. Andhra Pradesh
 - 2. Arunachal Pradesh
 - 3. Rajasthan
 - 4. Tamil Nadu

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
- 11. Which among the following are the members of the Ashgabat Agreement?
 - 1. Iran
 - 2. Oman
 - 3. Uzbekistan



- 4. Kazakhstan
- 5. India

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (b) 1, 2, 3 and 5 only
- (c) 2, 3 and 5 only
- (d) All of the above
- 12. Recently, the largest hydroelectric project undertaken by the India government in Nepal has started producing electricity. It is located on which of the following rivers?
 - (a) Sutlej
- (b) Kosi
- (c) Arun
- (d) Ganghak
- 13. Which of the following have been correctly matched?
 - 1. White licence plates with numbers in black font: Private cars
 - 2. Green licence plates with numbers in white fonts: Private e-vehicles
 - 3. Blue licence plates with numbers in white font: Self-driven rental vehicles

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
- 14. Which of the following are the characteristics of a thunderstorm?
 - 1. Thunder
 - 2. Lightning
 - 3. Cumulonimbus cloud
 - 4. Convection

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
- 15. Foreign Direct Investment applications involving investments from 'Countries of Concern', requiring security clearance and falling under automatic route sectors are to be processed by:
 - (a) Ministry of Home Affairs
 - (b) Respective Administrative Ministries/Departments
 - (c) Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion
 - (d) No Central Government permission is required
- 16. Which of the following is/are considered a Foreign Portfolio Investment in India?
 - 1. Any investment made by a person resident outside India in capital instruments where such investment is less than 10 percent of the post issue paid-up share capital on a fully diluted basis of a listed Indian company.
 - 2. Any investment made by a person resident outside India in capital instruments where such investment is less than 10 percent of the paid up value of each series of capital instruments of a listed Indian company.

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. Which of the following pollutants are being monitored under the National Air Quality Index?
 - 1. Particulate Matter 10
 - 2. Sulphur dioxide
 - 3. Carbon dioxide
 - 4. Lead

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

- 18. Which of the following are among the objectives of the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons Treaty (NPT)?
 - 1. Prevent the spread of nuclear weapons and weapons technology.
 - 2. Promote cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy.
 - 3. Further the goal of achieving nuclear disarmament and general and complete disarmament.

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
- 19. Which of the following countries have never accepted the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons Treaty (NPT)?
 - 1. North Korea
 - 2. India
 - 3. Israel
 - 4. Pakistan

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
- 20. Arrange the following ocean deposits from oceanic surface towards bottom:
 - 1. Red Clay
 - 2. Calcareous Oozes
 - 3. Terrigenous Deposits

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

(a) 1-2-3

(b) 3-2-1

(c) 1-3-2

(d) 3-1-2

ANSWER KEYS

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