

1. Which of the following have been correctly matched?
  1. **Stagflation** - Rise in prices with little change in output.
  2. **Continuous inflation** - Price rise at full employment.
  3. **Deflation** - Inflation deliberately undertaken to relieve a depression.
 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
2. Which of the following have been correctly matched?
  1. Act East Policy: India
  2. New Southern Policy: China
  3. Third Neighbour policy: Russia
 Select the correct answer using the code given below:
 

(a) 1 only	(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only	(d) 3 only
3. Consider the following statements about the India-South Korea economic relations:
  1. Bilateral trade between India and South Korea is about \$20 billion.
  2. The value of bilateral trade between India and South Korea remains almost unchanged since 2011.
  3. Bilateral trade between India and South Korea is in favour 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
4. Consider the following statements about the Financial Resolution and Deposit Insurance Bill, 2017:
  1. It provides that the Resolution Corporation will take over the management of a financial firm once it is classified as 'critical'.
  2. The Bill provides for the provision of bail-in instead of a bail-out.
 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
5. The Border Area Development Programme (BADP) has been launched to develop villages located:
  - (a) 0-5 km from the international borders.
  - (b) 0-10 km from the international borders.
  - (c) 0-15 km from the international borders.
  - (d) 0-20 km from the international borders.
6. Consider the following statements about the e-Tourist Visa:
  1. The e-Tourist Visa is valid for 60 days stay in India from the date of arrival in India.
  2. The e-visa facility is available for entry through designated airports only.
  3. Business medical visas could be granted within 48 hours of application in urgent cases.
 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 have been correctly matched?

1. Hamadan: Iran
2. South Ossetia: Georgia
3. Tartus: Turkey

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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| (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 'Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK)':

1. It is a new initiative aimed at early identification and early intervention for children from birth to 6 years.
2. The 0-1 years age group will be specifically managed at District Early Intervention Centre level while for 1-6 years age group, management of conditions will be done through existing public health facilities.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

9. Consider the following statements:

1. Unlike the inner rocky planets and the outer gas giants Pluto belongs to a third category known as "ice dwarfs."
2. "Ice Dwarfs" have solid surfaces but, unlike the terrestrial planets, a significant portion of their mass is icy material.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

10. Which of the statements given below are correct?

1. Bond price and interest rate are positively related.
2. Bond price and interest rate are negatively related.
3. Credit creation varies directly with Cash Reserve Ratio.
4. Credit creation varies inversely with Cash Reserve Ratio.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

11. Consider the following statements:

1. The interest subvention scheme aims at providing long term credit to farmers at subsidised interest rate.
2. The interest subvention scheme is jointly implemented by the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development and the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

12. Consider the following statements:

1. The Kuiper Belt is a disc-shaped region beyond Neptune.
2. Comets from the Kuiper Belt travel approximately in the plane perpendicular to the plane in which most of the planets orbit the sun.
3. Objects in the Kuiper Belt are presumed to be remnants from the formation of the solar system about 4.6 billion years ago.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

13. The difference between Cash Recycling Machines (CRMs) and Automatic Teller Machines (ATMs) is:

- (a) CRM require less security arrangements than an ATM.
- (b) Unlike ATM, CRM can operate for full twenty-four hours.
- (c) A CRM is an ATM designed to recycle deposited cash for use in subsequent withdrawal transactions.
- (d) CRM is costlier to operate than an ATM.

14. Consider the following statements:

1. The Andaman and Nicobar Islands are located near the boundary of the Indian plate and the Burmese micro-plate.
2. The Andaman Sea, just like the Atlantic Ocean, is presently being widened by a tectonic process called "Sea Floor spreading".
3. The Indian plate is diving beneath the Burmese micro-plate along the Andaman Trench.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

15. Consider the following statements:

1. Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail system allows the voter to verify her vote after registering it on the Electronic Voting Machine.
2. The Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail system allows for an audit of the election results by the Election Commission in a select and randomised number of constituencies.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. India has set a goal to achieve 175 GW of renewable capacity by the year 2022.
2. India has pledged to reduce its emissions intensity by 33 -35% below 2005 levels by 2022.
3. As per the Climate Change COP 21 obligations, India's renewable capacity should be 40% off the total capacity by 2022.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

17. Consider the following statements:

1. The annual World Energy Outlook is the International Energy Agency's flagship publication.
2. To be a member country of the International Energy Agency, a country must also be a member country of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development.

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

18. In which of the following groups of taxes, do impact and incidence of tax coincide?

- (a) Income tax and corporation tax
- (b) Income tax and excise duty
- (c) Corporation tax and custom duty
- (d) Excise duty and sales tax

19. Which of the following is/are observed in a lake after its eutrophication?

1. Richness in nutrients
2. Rapid turnover of phytoplankton
3. Depletion of dissolved oxygen

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

20. Consider the following statements:

1. Laterite soils are not very productive for crop plants.
2. Laterite soils contain high concentrations of silica and calcium carbonate.

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

## **ANSWER KEYS**

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