

1. The use of pet coke is being increasingly objected in India because:
 1. Pet coke releases oxides of Sulphur and Nitrogen in high quantities.
 2. Pet coke releases particulate matter of sizes less than 10 and 2.5 micrometers.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
2. Consider the following statements about FASTag:
 1. The tag employs Radio-frequency Identification (RFID) technology.
 2. FASTag is less expensive to use than the bar code stickers.
 3. Vehicle without valid FASTag entering FASTag lane will be charged double the applicable toll amount in cash.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 about the Draft regulations on civil use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems:
 1. As per the draft regulation all drones are proposed to be operated in visual line of sight, during day time only and below 200 feet.
 2. The draft regulation mandates remote pilots to undergo requisite training for all categories of drones.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. Core inflation is the raw inflation figure reported through the Consumer Price Index (CPI).
 2. Headline inflation removes the CPI components that can exhibit large amounts of volatility from month to month, which can cause unwanted distortion.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. Fiscal expansion generally worsens the:
 1. Inflation
 2. Balance of paymentsSelect the correct answer using the code given below:
(a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

6. Which among the following ideals are reflected in our Constitution?

1. Individualism
2. More prominence to fundamental rights rather than to fundamental duties
3. Parliamentary democracy

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. Consider the following statements:

1. The Model Code of Conduct (MCC) is a set of guidelines issued by the Election Commission to regulate political parties and candidates prior to elections, to ensure free and fair elections.
2. The Article 324 of the Constitution gives the Election Commission the power to supervise elections to the Parliament and state legislatures.
3. The MCC is operational from the date that the election schedule is announced till the polling day.

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. L1 and H1B Visas are highly sought after by employers who want to recruit the talent of skilled individuals overseas. Consider the following differences between the two:

1. There is no degree or educational requirement for an L1 visa and the specialized knowledge does not need to be in a specific field.
2. A worker must have a relevant degree/work experience for the job accompanying the H1B visa.

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

9. Consider the following statements about the

1. National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR): -
2. The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) is a statutory body.
3. Under the Commission for Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005, the Child is defined as a person in the 0 to 16 years age group.

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

10. Reserved Forest is a forest:

- (a) Totally under governmental control.
- (b) Meant mainly for tribal people.
- (c) Earmarked for commercial exploitation with restricted grazing.

- (d) Without any economic activity.
11. Which of the following places was in news for a drought-like situation, which otherwise experiences flood and erosion at least twice a year?
- Aurangabad
 - Morigaon
 - Hooghly
 - South 24 Parganas
12. Consider the following statements about the 'Impaired Glucose Tolerance':
- Impaired glucose tolerance means that blood glucose is raised beyond normal levels, but not high enough to warrant a diabetes diagnosis.
 - With impaired glucose tolerance one faces a much greater risk of developing diabetes and cardiovascular disease.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
13. Consider the following statements about the No-Confidence Motion:
- It should state the reasons for its adoption in the Parliament.
 - It can be moved against the entire council of ministers only.
 - It is moved for ascertaining the confidence of Parliament in the council of ministers.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - All of the above
14. Which of the following Articles of the Constitution says that the council of ministers shall be collectively responsible to the Parliament?
- Article 73
 - Article 74
 - Article 75
 - None of these
15. 123rd Amendment seeks to create the new:
- National Commission for Backward Classes
 - National Commission for Women
 - National Commission for Differently-abled persons.
 - National Commission for Environment
16. For the first time ever, India will be conducting the tiger census along with the three other tiger-range countries, which are:
- Nepal, Bhutan and Bangladesh
 - Nepal, Bhutan and Myanmar
 - China, Bhutan and Bangladesh
 - China, Bhutan and Nepal

17. What are the minimum number of members required to be present in Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha respectively before it can transact any business?
- 275 and 125
 - 138 and 63
 - 55 and 25
 - 50 members in each case
18. Consider the following statements:
- The Student Police Cadet (SPC) Project is a school-based youth development initiative.
 - It uses existing network, infrastructure and leadership qualities of Police to supplement physical, mental and educational development of youth
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
19. Consider the following statements about the 'Sabai grass':
- The cultivation of Sabai grass is usually done in the degraded and up lands.
 - Rainfall and manuring is immaterial although irrigation and application of manure results in better yield.
 - Once planted the Sabai grass continues to produce grass for two to three years.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - All of the above
20. Consider the following statements about the Sustainable Development Goals:
- The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) start on 1 January 2016 and are expected to be achieved by 31 December 2030.
 - Unlike the Millennium Development Goals, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are legally binding.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER KEYS

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