

1. Under the draft regulations on civil use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems, drones cannot be operated:
 1. Within an area of 5 km from airport.
 2. Within 50 km from international border.
 3. Within 5 km radius from Vijay Chowk in Delhi.
 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. Consider the following statements: -
 1. Fiscal policy involves changing the interest rate and influencing the money supply.
 2. Monetary policy involves the government changing tax rates and levels of government spending to influence aggregate demand in the economy.
 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
3. Consider the following statements about the Wholesale price index (WPI):
 1. WPI index reflects average price changes of goods and services that are bought and sold in the wholesale market.
 2. WPI in India is published by the Office of Economic Adviser, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
 3. The data for WPI is monitored and updated on a weekly basis taking into account all the items that form the index.
 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:
 1. Headline inflation is the raw inflation figure reported through the Consumer Price Index (CPI).
 2. Core inflation removes the CPI components that can exhibit large amounts of volatility from month to month, which can cause unwanted distortion to the headline figure.
 3. The most commonly removed factors are those relating to the cost of food and energy.
 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. Consider the following statements:
 1. Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) is a preferential tariff system extended by developed countries (donor countries) to developing countries (beneficiary countries).
 2. It involves reduced Most Favoured Nation Tariffs or duty-free entry of eligible products exported by beneficiary countries to the markets of donor countries.
 3. The Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) was instituted in 1971 under the aegis of United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).

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

6. Under the 'Adopt a Heritage Scheme', heritage sites/monuments and other tourist sites, for the development of tourist amenities, can be entrusted to:

1. Private sector companies
2. Public sector companies
3. Individuals

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. Fundamental duties are added to the Constitution by the 42nd amendment.
2. Article 39 has explicitly said there shall be no concentration of wealth, and national resources are to be distributed so as to subserve the common good.

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

8. Consider the following statements:

1. The objective of National Investment and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF) is to maximize economic impact mainly through infrastructure development in commercially viable greenfield projects only.
2. National Investment and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF) could also consider other nationally important projects, for example, in manufacturing, if commercially viable.

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:

1. The sawfish is included in Scheduled I of the Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972.
2. Like sharks their skeleton is made of cartilage.

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. Consider the following statements about Galactic Cosmic Rays (GCR):

1. GCR originate inside the solar system.
2. GCR are likely formed by explosive events such as supernova.
3. GCR consist of essentially every element ranging from hydrogen to uranium.

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

11. Consider the following statements:

1. Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) is a political and economic alliance of seven Middle Eastern countries.
2. The GCC also has a defense planning council that coordinates military cooperation between member countries.

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. 'Bharat Stage' norms which are frequently in news are related to:

- (a) Checking vehicular pollution
- (b) Financial sector reforms
- (c) Internal security measure
- (d) None of these

13. Which among the following are the salient features of the Bio-medical Waste Management (BMW) Rules, 2016?

1. Phase-out the use of chlorinated plastic bags, gloves and blood bags within two years
2. Establish a Bar-Code System for bags or containers containing bio-medical waste for disposal
3. Inclusion of emissions limits for Dioxin and furans

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

14. Consider the following statements:

1. Cases against politicians ought to have been disposed of within one year.
2. A convicted person is disqualified for contesting elections for 6 years from the date of conviction.

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 |

15. Andhra Pradesh government has intensified the efforts to tap commercial benefits from the plant Salicornia. The plant is important for?

- (a) The plant yields a salt substitute with low sodium content.
- (b) The plant yields commercially exploitable quantities of thorium.
- (c) The plants yields significant quantities of gold in oxide form.
- (d) The plants yields an important compound very useful for treating cancer.

16. Consider the following statements:

1. The Election Commission of India allows only 14 days of official campaigning.
2. The official campaigning in India ends 24 hours before the schedule close of polling.

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 |

17. Consider the following statements:

1. M-STRIPES is an app to count the tigers more accurately by decreasing the human errors.
2. The app M-STRIPES has been developed by the Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun.

Select the correct answer by using the code given below:

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

18. Which among the following are the qualifications of International Court of Justice (ICJ) judges?

1. A judge should have a high moral character.
2. A judge should fit to the qualifications of appointment of highest judicial officers as prescribed by their respective states or
3. A judge should be a jurisconsult of recognized competence in international law.

Select the correct answer by 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. Consider the following statements about the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA):

1. It enforces prices and availability of the medicines in the country, under the Drugs (Prices Control) Order, 1995.
2. The organization is also entrusted with the task of recovering amounts overcharged by manufacturers for the controlled drugs from the consumers.
3. It also monitors the prices of decontrolled drugs in order to keep them at reasonable levels.

Select the correct answer by 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

20. Consider the following statements:

1. The South Asia Sub-regional Economic Cooperation (SASEC) program aims to promote regional prosperity by improving cross-border connectivity, boosting trade among member countries and strengthening regional economic cooperation.
2. The World Bank is the secretariat and lead financier of the SASEC program.

Select the correct answer by 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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