

1. Consider the following statements about the electoral bonds:
 1. No interest is paid on the electoral bonds.
 2. They can be purchased by any citizen of India or a body incorporated in India.
 3. They have to be cashed in via the political party's verified account within 6 months.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. It is the world's largest lake and contains brackish water with a salinity about one-third that of normal seawater. It is famous for its peculiar animal fauna, including one of the few non-marine seals and the great sturgeons, a major source of caviar...
These statements are referring to:
 - (a) Caspian Sea
 - (b) Lake Victoria
 - (c) Lake Superior
 - (d) Black Sea
3. Which among the following has been recognised as a disability under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016?
 1. Dwarfism
 2. Speech and language
 3. Sickle Cell diseaseSelect 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. IndARC, India's first Moored Observatory, has been set up at:
 - (a) North Pole
 - (b) South Pole
 - (c) Third Pole
 - (d) Kongsfjorden Fjord
5. Flammable ice, also known as methane clathrates or hydrates, is difficult to access because:
 1. Its reserves are often distributed over a large area rather than concentrated in one spot as oil or natural gas reserves often are.
 2. Flammable ice is unstable and potentially explosive.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

6. Consider the following statements about the 'Make in India' initiative:
1. The initiative is being lead by the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion.
 2. The initiative aims to raise the contribution of the manufacturing sector to 33% of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by the year 2025 from its current level.
- 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
7. The Kisan Credit Card Scheme is being operated by:
1. Co-operative banks
 2. Regional Rural banks
 3. Scheduled Commercial banks and
 4. Primary Agricultural Co-operative Societies
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 1, 2 and 4 only (d) All of the above
8. The Price Stabilisation Fund (PSF) comes under the:
- (a) Department of Agriculture Research and Education
 - (b) Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare
 - (c) Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries
 - (d) Department of Consumer Affairs
9. Which among the following languages was the first to be recognised as the classical language in India?
- (a) Tamil
 - (b) Sanskrit
 - (c) Telugu
 - (d) Kannada
10. Consider the following statements:
1. The 'friendship bridge' is located in Nepal.
 2. China has helped to build the 'friendship bridge'.
- 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
11. Which of the following have been correctly matched?
1. Statue of Unity: India
 2. Spring Temple Buddha: Myanmar
 3. Ushiku Daibutsu: Japan
 4. Christ The Redeemer: Russia
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 and 3 only
(b) 1, 2 and 3 only
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only
(d) 2, 3 and 4 only

12. Consider the following statements:

1. For Tamil Nadu Northeast Monsoon is the main rainy season accounting for about 78% of the annual rainfall.
2. The increase in rainfall activity over Andhra-Tamil Nadu coasts which takes place sometime around middle of October is generally considered as the “setting in of Northeast Monsoon”.

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

13. In India, the Brahmaputra basin spreads over states of:

1. West Bengal
2. Meghalaya
3. Nagaland
4. Sikkim

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

14. Consider the following statements about the Supreme Court’s recent judgments over fire crackers:

1. Only green crackers can be manufactured henceforth across the country.
2. The court has allowed Tamil Nadu, Puducherry and the adjoining southern States to burst crackers in the morning.
3. The court has allowed the sale of only green crackers online through e-commerce websites.

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. Which of the following are the members of the committee which is formed to investigate the charges related to impeachment of the judges?

1. The Chief Justice of India or a Judge of the Supreme Court
2. Chief Justice or a Judge of a High court
3. An eminent jurist

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. Mission “SAMPARK” aims to control which of the following in India?

- (a) HIV AIDS (b) Malaria
(c) Dengue (d) Tuberculosis

17. Consider the following statements about the Ganges River dolphin:

1. Females are larger than males.
2. The species is found exclusively in freshwater habitat.
3. Its eye lacks a lens.
4. It is critically endangered.

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) 1, 2 and 4 only

18. Which of the following are correctly matched?

- 1. Renuka Wetland: This is smallest wetland of India.
- 2. Vembanad-Kol Wetland: Largest Wetland of India.
- 3. Loktak Lake: Listed in the Montreux Record.

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 cell organelles have their own DNA?

- 1. Mitochondria
- 2. Chloroplasts
- 3. Golgi Apparatus

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

20. Consider the following statements about the National Testing Agency (NTA):

- 1. It is proposed to conduct those entrance examinations which are currently being conducted by the CBSE.
- 2. It has been created as a Society registered under the Indian Societies Registration Act, 1860.
- 3. It will be chaired by the Minister of Human Resource Development Ministry.

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

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