

1. Consider the following statements about 'Banking Correspondents (BCs)':
  1. Non-banking Finance Companies (NBFCs) are not allowed to be appointed as BCs by banks.
  2. A BC can be a BC for more than one bank.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. The National Institute of Disaster Management classifies droughts into which of the following categories?
  1. Meteorological drought
  2. Hydrological drought
  3. Monsoonal drought
  4. Agricultural droughtSelect 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
3. Consider the following statements:
  1. E-Kuber is the Core Banking Solution of Reserve Bank of India.
  2. E-Kuber provides the provision of a single current account for each bank across the country.
  3. Auction of Government securities is done through e-kuber system.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. India has adopted the concept of Essential Medicines as pronounced by the World Health Organisation (WHO).
  2. Essential Medicines are mainly used at the tertiary healthcare levels.
  3. Only life-saving drugs are characterised as Essential Medicines.Select the correct answer using the code given below:
  - (a) 1 only
  - (b) 2 and 3 only
  - (c) 3 only
  - (d) 1 and 3 only
5. Consider the following statements:
  1. The gross external debt includes debt incurred by both the Government and the private sector of the economy.
  2. The gross external debt takes into account liabilities arising in the event of specific occurrences covered by the debt contract viz, default by a debtor on the principal and/or interest of a credit.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:

1. The composition of Indian Basket of Crude oil represents Average of Oman & Dubai for sour grades and Brent (Dated) for sweet grade.
2. Crude oil with high amount of sulphur is termed as sour and with less sulphur is called the sweet grade.

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 |

7. Consider the following statements:

1. Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) has been set up to assess independently the impact of Government's Flagship Programmes.
2. IEO would be headed by a Director General who is in the rank of Minister of State.
3. IEO in India is conceived on the lines of Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) of IMF.

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:

1. Chit funds are essentially saving institutions.
2. Chit funds are included in the definition of Non-Banking Financial Companies by RBI.
3. Central Government has framed Rules of operation for Chit funds.

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 |

9. Consider the following statements:

1. The base effect refers to the impact of the rise in price level in the previous year over the corresponding rise in price levels in the current year.
2. If the inflation rate was too low in the corresponding period of the previous year, even a high rise in the Price Index will arithmetically give a smaller rate of current inflation.

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. Consider the following statements about the Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI):

1. MRI scanning uses x-ray radiation to produce images of body structures.
2. MRI scanning is painless.
3. Patients with heart pacemakers cannot be scanned with MRI.

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 |

11. Consider the following statements:

1. India is among the top five emitters of carbon dioxide.
2. In terms of CO<sub>2</sub> per capita, India emits slightly above the global average.

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

12. Which of the following is possible in the context of Jammu and Kashmir?

1. Governor's Rule
2. President's Rule

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. An undertrial prisoner stands to lose which of the following 'Fundamental Rights'?

1. Right to liberty
2. Freedom of movement
3. Freedom of occupation
4. Freedom of dignity

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

14. Which of the following are 'Fundamental Rights'?

1. Right to Contest
2. Freedom of Dignity
3. Right to Vote
4. Right to Liberty

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

15. Consider the following statements about the 'Contingency Fund of India':

1. The Contingency Fund of India has been established under Article 266 of the Constitution.
2. It is of the nature to enable him/her to make advances to meet urgent unforeseen expenditure, pending authorization by the Parliament.
3. The Ministry of Finance operates this Fund on behalf of the President 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

16. Consider the following statements about the 'Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)' in India:

1. Unlike many other countries wherein CSR activities are voluntary, the same is mandated by law in India.
2. CSR spending is applicable to every company incorporated in India, including its holding or subsidiary, and a foreign company having its branch office or project office in India.

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. In India, which of the following entities proposing to invest on behalf of broad based funds, are eligible to be registered as Foreign Institutional Investors (FIIs):

1. Asset Management Companies
2. Investment Manager/Advisor
3. Institutional Portfolio Managers
4. Banks

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

18. Consider the following statements about the 'Drug Price Control Orders (DPCO)':

1. The Drug Price Control Orders are applicable irrespective of whether it is generic or branded.
2. The Drug Price Control Orders are issued by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
3. The Drug Price Control Orders are issued under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. The Ministry of Human Resource Development has launched Swachh Vidyalaya Programme under Swachh Bharat Mission.
2. The Programme aims to provide separate toilets for boys and girls in all government schools within one year.

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

20. Consider the following statements about the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana:

1. It aims to connect all unconnected habitations with a population of 500 persons and above in rural areas.
2. The unit for this Programme can be either a revenue village or a Panchayat.

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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