

1. Consider the following statements regarding the Streets for People Challenge:
  1. It is an initiative of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.
  2. It aims to create walking-friendly streets through quick measures.Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
  - a) 1 only
  - b) 2 only**
  - c) Both 1 and 2
  - d) Neither 1 nor 2
2. Which of the following is/are correctly matched?
  1. Kunlun Mountains – China
  2. Tarim River – Russia
  3. Lop Nur -MongoliaSelect the correct answer using the code given below:
  - a) 1 only**
  - b) 1 and 2 only
  - c) 1 and 3 only
  - d) 3 only
3. Arrange the following events chronologically:
  - a) India-China war
  - b) China's recognition to Indian sovereignty over Sikkim
  - c) Tashkent DeclarationSelect the correct answer using the code given below:
  - a) 1-2-3
  - b) 2-1-3
  - c) 3-1-2
  - d) 1-3-2**
4. Consider the following statements regarding the Ranking of States on Support to Startup Ecosystems:
  1. The ranking exercise has been conducted by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT).
  2. Gujarat is the Best Performer state in the States Startup Ranking Results 2019.Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
  - a) 1 only
  - b) 2 only
  - c) Both 1 and 2**
  - d) Neither 1 nor 2
5. Consider the following statements regarding the ClimateSMART Cities Assessment Framework:
  1. Its objective is to provide a roadmap for Indian cities to combat climate change while planning their investments within the city.
  2. NITI Aayog is implementing the ClimateSmart Cities Assessment Framework.Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
  - a) 1 only**
  - b) 2 only
  - c) Both 1 and 2
  - d) Neither 1 nor 2
6. Which of the following institute/organization has published the Economic Freedom of the World: 2020 report?
  - a) Fraser Institute**
  - b) World Economic Forum
  - c) Manhattan Institute for Policy Research
  - d) Centre for Policy Research
7. Consider the following statements regarding the Jigyasa programme:
  1. It is a student-scientist connect programme focusing on research laboratory-based learning.
  2. It is being implemented by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR).

- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
  - 2 only
  - Both 1 and 2**
  - Neither 1 nor 2
8. Consider the following statements regarding the Rashtriya Gokul Mission:
- It aims for development and conservation of indigenous breeds through genetic upgradation of nondescript bovine population.
  - It envisages establishment of integrated cattle development centres 'Gokul Grams' to develop indigenous breeds.
  - Rashtriya Gokul Mission is implemented through the Livestock Development Boards.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 and 2 only
  - 2 and 3 only
  - 1 and 3 only
  - All of the above**
9. Which of the following institution has recently released the 'Ecological Threat Register' report?
- Institute for Economics and Peace**
  - Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
  - International Union for Conservation of Nature
  - United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
10. Rogan painting is a traditional art form of which state?
- Kerala
  - Gujarat**
  - Andhra Pradesh
  - Odisha
11. Which of the following pairs are correctly matched?
- | Waterfalls          | Location   |
|---------------------|------------|
| 1. Jog Falls        | Karnataka  |
| 2. Barehipani Falls | Meghalaya  |
| 3. Thalayar Falls   | Tamil Nadu |
| 4. Nohkalikai Falls | Odisha     |
- Select the correct answer code:
- 1, 3**
  - 1, 2, 3
  - 1, 3, 4
  - 1, 2, 3, 4
12. In terms of longitudinal position, which of the following is located far away from the Indian Standard Meridian
- Lucknow
  - Kanpur
  - Nagpur
  - Bengaluru**
13. Consider the following statements regarding Aurora or Northern lights.
- Auroras are the glowing lights at high latitude.
  - Auroras can be normally observed in stratosphere.
  - Change in the atmospheric temperature cause Auroras.
- Which of the above statement is/are correct?
- 1, 3
  - 1 only**
  - 2, 3
  - 1, 2, 3
14. Why the Southern Hemisphere does not experience cold and harsh climate like the Siberia?
- Relative absence of land in the Southern Hemisphere in the higher latitudes

2. Strong oceanic influence on the climate reduces the severity of winter  
Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
a) 1 only  
b) 2 only  
**c) Both 1 and 2**  
d) Neither 1 nor 2
15. Mineral extraction from several Himalayan regions is commercially unviable because of the  
1. Complex rock structure of Himalayas  
2. Rugged terrain and adverse climatic conditions  
Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
a) 1 only  
b) 2 only  
**c) Both 1 and 2**  
d) Neither 1 nor 2
16. Features of the youth stage of a river usually include  
1. Stream divides are broad with marshes and swamps  
2. Waterfalls and rapids may exist where hard rocks are found  
3. Streams meander freely forming natural levees and ox-bow lakes  
Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
**a) 1, 2**  
b) 2, 3  
c) 1, 2, 3  
d) 1 only
17. Equatorial counter-currents are major surface flows that carry water eastward in the Atlantic, Indian, and Pacific Oceans. The factors that contribute to their flow includes:  
1. Presence of Coriolis force  
2. Tropical surface wind flow leading to piling of water near the equator  
Select the correct answer code:  
a) 1 only  
b) 2 only  
**c) Both 1 and 2**  
d) Neither 1 nor 2
18. Consider the following statements regarding Cyclones.  
1. Cyclones are sustained by very strong low-pressure areas at their core.  
2. Very few cyclones originate in the Arabian Sea, but they are relatively strong compared to those emerging in the Bay of Bengal.  
Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
**a) 1 only**  
b) 2 only  
c) Both 1 and 2  
d) Neither 1 nor 2
19. Which of the following are the main reasons contributing to the decline of Leatherback turtles?  
1. Invasive species  
2. Use of fishing gear  
3. Plastic pollution  
4. Coastal development  
Select the correct answer codes below:  
A.1 only  
B.1, 2 and 4 only  
C.1 and 3 only  
**D.1, 2, 3 and 4**
20. With reference to the “Aboriginal tribes” consider the following statements:  
1. They are direct descendants of early humans.

2. Sentinelese tribes are the largest tribal community in India.
3. Onges and Jarawas are aboriginal tribes.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

A.1 and 2 only

B.2 only

**C.1 and 3 only**

D.1, 2 and 3

21. With reference to Coral Reefs, consider the following statements:

1. Coral reefs are protected under Schedule II of the Wildlife Protection Act (WPA), 1972.
2. Biorock technology is a method to restore coral reefs.
3. Climate change leads to coral bleaching.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

a) 1 and 2 only

**b) 2 and 3 only**

c) 1 and 3 only

d) 1, 2 and 3

22. Consider the following statements:

1. The Himalayan Brown Bear is found in India as well as in Nepal.
2. The Himalayan Brown Bear is listed as Critically Endangered in the IUCN Red List.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

a) 1 only

b) 2 only

**c) Both 1 and 2**

d) Neither 1 nor 2

23. Which of the following is/are correct regarding Elephant population in India?

1. Karnataka has the highest population of Indian elephants.
2. The Indian elephant is listed as critically endangered in the IUCN Red List.
3. Shivalik Elephant Reserve is located in Himachal Pradesh.

Choose the correct answer using code given below:

**a) 1 only**

b) 2 and 3 only

c) 3 only

d) 1, 2 and 3

24. With reference to Sustainable Action for Transforming Human Capital (SATH), consider the following statements:

1. It is a programme undertaken by NITI Aayog.
2. Odisha is one of the role model states selected by NITI Aayog for the project.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

a) 1 only

b) 2 only

**c) Both 1 and 2**

d) Neither 1 nor 2

25. With reference to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, consider the following statements:

1. He headed the Advisory Committee on Fundamental Rights in the constituent assembly.
2. He is Known as the Iron Man of India.
3. He is remembered as the Patron Saint of India's Civil Servants.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

a) 3 only

b) 2 and 3 only

c) 1 and 2 only

**d) 1, 2 and 3**