

1. Consider the following statements regarding the Buddha and his teachings
  1. The Buddha taught his disciples orally – through discussion and debate
  2. None of the Buddha's speeches were written down during his lifetime
  3. After Buddha's death his teachings were compiled by his disciples at a council of "elders" or senior monks at Vesali and these compilations were known as Tipitaka

**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**
2. Consider the following statements regarding Jaina Philosophy
  1. The most important idea in Jainism is that the entire world is inanimate
  2. According to Jaina teachings, the cycle of birth and rebirth is shaped through karma
  3. Jainism believes that asceticism and penance are required to free oneself from the cycle of karma

**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
3. Consider the following statements:
  1. Hagiography is a biography of a saint or religious leader
  2. Epigraphy is the study of inscriptions.
  3. An agrahara was land granted to a Brahmana, who was usually exempted from paying land revenue and other dues to the king, and was often given the right to collect these dues from the local people.
  4. Numismatics is the study of coins, including visual elements such as scripts and images, metallurgical analysis and the contexts in which they have been found.

**Which of the statements given above is/are correct?**

  - a) 1, 2 and 3 only
  - b) 2, 3 and 4 only
  - c) 1 and 3 only
  - d) 1, 2, 3 and 4**
4. Consider the following statements regarding the Buddhist Tipitakas
  1. The Vinaya Pitaka included rules and regulations for those who joined the sangha or monastic order
  2. The Buddha's teachings were included in the Sutta Pitaka
  3. The Abhidhamma Pitaka dealt with philosophical matters

**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**
5. Consider the following statements:
  1. Guru Nanak preached his ideas much in the same way as Kabir and other monotheists.
  2. Guru Nanak's teachings makes him an integral part of the monotheistic movement.

**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. Sufism as a thought originated in Persia and spread to India by 11th century. Which of the following statements are correct about Sufism?
  1. They believed service to humanity equals service to God.

2. They introduced a new form of singing called 'Qawwali' where rhythm is given with claps of hand.
3. They preached meditation to connect to inner soul and God.
4. They observed strict celibacy.

**Select the correct answer using the code given below:**

- a) 1, 3 and 4
- b) 2, 3 and 4
- c) 1, 2 and 3**
- d) 1,2,3 and 4

7. Which of the following statements are correct about 'Pancha Siddhanta'?

1. It was written by Aryabhata.
2. It is a detailed account of Greek and Roman Astrology.

**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. This dance form has been introduced by Mahapurusha Sankaradeva.
2. The musical compositions accompanying the dance form are called borgeets.
3. The costumes used are made up of pat.

**Identify the dance-form from the following options:**

- a) Mohiniyattam
- b) Thang Ta
- c) Sattriya**
- d) Kuchipudi

9. Consider the following statements regarding 'Mudrarakshasa':

1. It is a historical play written by Kalidasa that narrates the ascent of king Chandragupta Maurya to power in India.
2. Mudrarakshasa is written in Sanskrit.

**Which of the above statements are NOT CORRECT?**

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

10. Which of the following statements are correct about the Ajivikas?

1. Ajivika was one of the 'Nastika' school of Indian philosophy.
2. It was founded by Makkhali Gosala.
3. Ajivikas do not believe in Karma philosophy and believe that whatever happens is preordained by the cosmic order.
4. Bindusara was a follower of Ajivika Sect.

**Select the correct answer using the code given below:**

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

11. What does the term Olericulture refers to

- a) It can be defined as a branch of horticulture, which deals with the scientific study of vegetable crops**
- b) It can be defined as a branch of horticulture, which deals with the scientific study of flowering and ornamental crops
- c) It can be defined as a branch of horticulture, which deals with the scientific study of fruit
- d) None of the above

12. Consider the following statements regarding Golden Rice

1. Golden rice is the collective name of rice varieties that are genetically modified to counter vitamin A deficiency in developing countries.
  2. To create golden rice, scientists had modified rice plants with beta-carotene genes from maize. Hence rice plants started to produce the rich orange-colored pigment.
- 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
13. Consider the following statements regarding International Rice Research Institute (IRRI)
1. It is the world's premier research organization dedicated to reducing poverty and hunger through rice science, improving the health and welfare of rice farmers
  2. IRRI is an independent, for-profit, research and educational institute.
- 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
14. Which of the following is true about Culturable Waste-Land
1. Any land which is left fallow (uncultivated) for more than five years is considered as Culturable Waste-Land
  2. It can be brought under cultivation after improving it through reclamation practices
  3. Any land which is left without cultivation for one or less than one agricultural year is considered as Culturable Waste-Land
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- a) 1 and 2 only**
  - b) 1, 2 and 3
  - c) 2 and 3 only
  - d) 1 and 3 only
15. Which of the following pairs is/are correctly matched:
- |                             |    |                      |
|-----------------------------|----|----------------------|
| Shifting cultivation called | :: | Practised in         |
| Milpa                       | :: | Mexico               |
| Roca                        | :: | Brazil               |
| Ladang                      | :: | Malaysia             |
| Jhumming                    | :: | The North-East India |
- Select the correct answer using the code given below
- a) 1 and 4 only
  - b) 1 and 3 only
  - c) 1, 2 and 3 only
  - d) 1, 2, 3 and 4**
16. Crop rotation is done by growing different crops in the same field one after the other. Which of the following are benefits of crop rotation?
1. Maintains the soil fertility
  2. Helps in pest control
  3. Prevents soil depletion
- Select the correct answer from the code given below:
- a) 1 and 2 only
  - b) 1 only
  - c) 2 and 3 only
  - d) 1, 2 and 3**
17. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Organic Farming?
1. Organic farming refers to the use of traditional methods for farming without using artificial fertilizers and pesticides.
  2. Organic farming produces much lower yield than conventional farming.

3. It helps in maintaining fertility of soil by encouraging soil biological activity.  
Select the correct answer from the code given below:  
a) 1 and 2 only  
b) 1 only  
**c) 1 and 3 only**  
d) 1, 2 and 3
18. Consider the following statements with respect to the Millets:  
1. Millets are short duration (3-4 months) warm weather grasses grown in those areas where the main crops like rice and wheat cannot be grown successfully.  
2. Karnataka is the highest millet producing state in India.  
3. Millets are cultivated in low-fertile land, mountainous, tribal and rain-fed areas.  
Which of the statements given above is/are correct?  
a) 1 only  
b) 3 only  
**c) 1 and 3 only**  
d) 1, 2 and 3
19. Consider the following statements with respect to the Wheat:  
1. It can be grown in the temperate zone and the cold tracts of the far north, beyond even the 60 degree north altitude.  
2. Soils with a clay loam or loam texture, good structure and moderate water holding capacity are ideal for wheat cultivation.  
3. It can be cultivated from sea level as high as 3300 meters.  
Which of the statements given above is/are correct?  
a) 1 only  
b) 3 only  
c) 1 and 3 only  
**d) 1, 2 and 3**
20. Consider the following statements with respect to the Wheat:  
1. The parent material for most of the black soil is the volcanic rocks that were formed in the Deccan Plateau.  
2. The black soil is highly retentive of moisture.  
3. These soils are best suited for cotton crop, tobacco, castor, sunflower and millets.  
Which of the statements given above is/are correct?  
a) 1 and 3 only  
b) 2 only  
c) 1 and 3 only  
**d) 1, 2 and 3**
21. Which of the following statements about river Brahmaputra is correct?  
1. It originates from the Chemayungdung glacier.  
2. Its tributaries Tista and Manas confluence on its left 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
22. With reference to the Sikhism, consider the following statements:  
1. Guru Arjan Dev was the tenth Sikh guru.  
2. The Adi Granth was composed by the guru Gobind Singh.  
3. Sangat is a congregational worship practice involving collective recitation.  
Which of the statements given above is/are correct?  
a) 1 only  
b) 2 and 3 only  
**c) 3 only**  
d) 1, 2 and 3

23. With reference to Mission COVID Suraksha, consider the following statements:

1. It is India's targeted effort to enable the development of indigenous, affordable and accessible vaccines.
2. It will be implemented by a Mission Implementation Unit under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

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

24. Consider the following statements about Diabetes:

1. In Type-1 Diabetes, the body fails to produce sufficient insulin.
2. In Type-2 Diabetes, although the body produces insulin, the cells do not respond to it.
3. Type-2 Diabetes is also known as juvenile diabetes as it mostly affects children aged 14-16 years.

Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 only
- c) **3 only**
- d) 1, 2 and 3

25. With reference to Indian Railways, consider the following statements:

1. Red Hill Railway was India's first railway.
2. Indian Railways was nationalised by the Government of India Act 1935.
3. The first electric passenger train ran between Victoria Terminus and Kurla.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) **1 and 3 only**
- d) 1, 2 and 3





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Indian Constitution	8
Indian Economy	7
Current Affairs	10

### TEST PATTERN: OBJECTIVE TYPE OFFLINE TEST

Total Marks	: 100
Total Questions	: 50 Q
Time Duration	: 1 Hour
Per Question	: 2 Marks
Negative Marking	: 0.66 Marks

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