

Polity:

1. In the Indian context, which of the following statement about Universal Adult Franchise is/are correct?

1. The Motilal Nehru report of 1928 advocated for the unlimited adult franchise for Indian people.
2. The minimum age for exercising franchise has been lowered through the 58th Amendment Act, 1973.

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 constitutional amendment act provided for the establishment of Central Administrative Tribunal?

a) 44th Amendment Act, 1978

b) 42nd Amendment Act, 1976

c) 52nd Amendment Act, 1985

d) 38th Amendment Act, 1975

3. The 103rd Constitutional Amendment Act is related to which one of the following issue?

a) Reservation quota for Economically Weaker Section

b) Reforms of Collegium system for appointments of judges

c) Abrogation of Article 370

d) Elimination of mob lynching

4. With reference to 'Gram Sabha', consider the following statements:

1. The term Gram Sabha is defined in Article 243 of Indian Constitution.

2. In the Gram Sabha, any person living in the village can participate.

3. The decision taken by the Gram Sabha can be annulled by the Sarpanch of the village.

Which of the statement is given above are NOT 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. The members of the Gram Panchayat is elected through indirect elections.

2. Gram Panchayat is a permanent body.

3. Every month, two meetings are organised by the Gram Panchayat.

Which of the statement is given above are correct?

a) 1 and 2 only

b) 2 and 3 only

c) 1, 2 and 3

d) None of the above

6. The Directorate of Enforcement (ED) is responsible for enforcement of which of the following Act/law?

1. Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act, 1969

2. Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (FEMA)

3. Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA)

4. Payment of Bonus Act, 1965

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

a) 1, 2 and 4 only

b) 2 and 3 only

c) 1 and 4 only

d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

7. Consider the following statements:

1. The National Security Council operates within the Prime Minister's Office.

2. The National Security Advisor is appointed by a Committee headed by Defence Minister.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

a) Only 1

b) Only 2

c) Both 1 and 2

d) Neither 1 nor 2

8. With reference to 'land records maintenance in India', consider the following statements:

1. Land records contain information on rights, records and tenancy as well as soil type, size and shape.

2. National Land Records Modernisation Programme, a land records digitisation and modernisation scheme, is an initiative of Ministry of Home Affairs.

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

a) 1 only

b) 2 only

c) Both 1 and 2

d) Neither 1 nor 2

9. Consider the following statements with reference to National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT):

1. NCLT was formed on the basis of Article 245 of the constitution of India.

2. The recommendation for the constitution of NCLT was given by Justice Eradi committee.

3. It has power to call for a General Meetings of a company if a company cannot or has not held an Annual General Meeting.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

a) 1 and 2 only

b) 2 and 3 only

c) 1 and 3 only

d) 1, 2 and 3

10. Which of the following criteria is/are taken into consideration while granting Special Category Status to Indian states?

1. Hilly and difficult terrain

2. Non-viable nature of state finances

3. Tribal Population share in the state

4. Literacy rate of the population

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

a) 1, 2 and 3

b) 3 and 4 only

c) 2, 3 and 4

d) 3 and 4 only

Geography:

11. Consider the following statements about ocean:

1. Atlantic Ocean has ideal location for natural harbours and ports.

2. Mariana Trench, the deepest part of the earth, lies in the Arctic Ocean.

3. Arctic and Pacific oceans are connected by Beringstrait.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

a) 1 only

b) 2 and 3 only

c) 1 and 3 only

d) 1, 2 and 3

12. With reference to terrace farming, which of the following statements are correct?

1. It reduces soil erosion but minimises the arable land area.

2. It leads to the reduction in soil quality due to the leaching process.

3. In India, terrace cultivation usually takes place in the north-eastern states of India.

Choose the correct answer using the code given below:

a) 1 and 2 only

b) 2 and 3 only

c) 1 and 3 only

d) 1, 2 and 3

13. Consider the following statements about Plateaus:

1. Most of the Plateaus are not suitable for cultivation and are not rich in mineral deposits.

2. The highest plateau in the world is Tibetan plateau.
3. Chhotanagpur plateau in India has reserves of coal and manganese.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

14. Only one side of the moon is visible to us on the Earth.

Which of the following factors are responsible for that?

1. Relatively less distance between Earth and Moon
2. Earth's gravitational force on moon
3. Rotation and revolution time of moon

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

15. Chagos Archipelago is located in which one of the following oceans?

- a) Pacific Ocean
b) Atlantic Ocean
c) Indian Ocean
d) Arctic Ocean

16. Consider the following statements regarding the season of retreating monsoon in India:

1. The retreating monsoon generally occurs in October-November.
2. Winds coming from Bay of Bengal brings retreating monsoonal rains.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

17. The term 'Golden Crescent' comprises of which of the following countries?

1. Afghanistan
2. Iraq
3. Iran
4. Pakistan
5. Turkmenistan

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- a) 2, 4 and 5 only
b) 1, 3 and 4 only
c) 1, 2 and 3 only
d) 3, 4 and 5 only

18. With reference to different types of mountains, consider the following statements:

1. Himalayan Mountains are formed as a result of fracturing of large area that displaced vertically.
2. Horsts and Graben are the characteristics of Fold Mountain.
3. Mt. Kilimanjaro is a volcanic mountain.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

19. Consider the following pairs of passes and their locations:

Passes Location

1. Nathu La Himachal Pradesh
2. Zozi La Ladakh
3. Jalep La Uttarakhand

4. Rohtang Pass Jammu & Kashmir

Which of the following pairs are correctly matched?

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

d) 2 and 3 only

20. With reference to tides, consider the following statements:

- 1. During the full moon and new moon days, the sun, the moon and the earth are in the same line which causes neap tides.
- 2. High tides are created when the moon is in its first and last quarter.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2

d) Neither 1 nor 2

21. With reference to the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund, consider the following statements:

- 1. Its main objective is to provide liquidity support in the event of a financial crisis
- 2. It is an initiative of the Reserve Bank of India with an initial corpus of Rs 3000 crore.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

22. What are Pirotan and Positara, which were recently seen in the news?

- a) Indus Valley Civilization
- b) Coral Island**
- c) Asteroids
- d) None of these

23. With reference to the Earth Observation satellite (EOS-6), consider the following statements:

- 1. It is envisaged to observe ocean colour data and give information related to the potential fishing zone.
- 2. It was launched by the European Space Agency.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

24. Nyingma and Gelug schools, which were recently seen in the news, belong to which religion?

- a) Jainism
- b) Buddhism**
- c) Zoroastrian
- d) None of these

25. With reference to the piezoelectric effect, consider the following statements:

- 1. It is a phenomenon in which materials produce an electric charge when mechanical stress is applied to them.
- 2. Quartz is used as a piezoelectric crystal in cigarette lighters.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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