

1. Consider the following statements about Governor's power to grant pardon

1. Discretionary power
2. Subject to judicial review

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

2. UPSC is entrusted with

1. Recruitment of certain Central Group B services
2. Cadre management of selected civil servants
3. Training of selected civil servants

Select the correct answer using codes below

- a) 1 only
- B. 2 and 3
- C. 1 and 3
- D. All of them

3. The disciplinary action taken by the government against a civil servant is done in accordance of the advice tendered by

1. Central Vigilance Commission
2. UPSC

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

4. In respect of UPSC, Which of the following has not been contained by the Constitution of India?

1. Number of members in the Commission
2. Appointment of members
3. Removal of members

Select the correct answer using codes below

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 and 3
- C. 1 and 3
- D. All of them are there in the Constitution

5. Consider the following statements about role of President in functioning of UPSC

1. President can exclude posts from the purview of the UPSC
2. President can make regulations excluding the role of UPSC in service matters of All India Services

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

6. Consider the following statements about the fall armyworm, a native of the Americas, that has recently been in the news:

1. The moth is known to be able to fly distances of more than a thousand kilometres.
2. Biological control of this moth is not possible in India.
3. It is a pest that particularly affects the paddy crop.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) None of the above

7. Consider the following statements about the Directorate of Plant Protection, Quarantine and Storage:

1. It has been instituted under the Customs Act of 1962.
2. The Principal Commissioner of Customs at any port of entry into India is the ex-officio officer of Plant Protection, Quarantine and Storage of that port.

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

8. Consider the following statements about Algorithmic trading:

1. Also known as black-box trading, it is the process of using computers programed to follow a defined set of instructions for placing a trade in order to generate profits at a speed and frequency that is impossible for a human trader.

2. It is banned in India.

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

9. The two-plus-one mechanism, sometimes in the news, appears in the context of affairs related to which of India's neighbours?

- a) Maldives
- b) Bhutan
- c) Nepal
- d) Pakistan

10. Panmunjom, sometimes in the news, is mostly mentioned in the news as a/an

- a) Truce village
- b) Holy mountain
- c) Nuclear test site
- d) None of the above

**ANSWER KEYS**

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