

1. Consider the following statements:
  1. Canine distemper is a contagious disease caused by a virus.
  2. Canine distemper usually affects the red blood cells and causes the passing of red or blackish urine.
  3. Canine distemper affects both domestic as well as wild canines.
 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
2. Consider the following statements:
  1. Babesiosis can affect both domestic livestock as well as wildlife like lions.
  2. Babesiosis is transmitted by the bite of ticks.
  3. Babesiosis affects the respiratory, gastrointestinal and nervous systems.
 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
3. India has been declared free from which of the following diseases?
  1. Leprosy
  2. Small Pox
  3. Polio
  4. Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus
 Select the correct answer using the code given below:
  - (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
  - (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
  - (c) 1 and 3 only
  - (d) All of the above
4. Champions of the Earth Award is given in which of the following categories?
  1. Entrepreneurial Vision
  2. Science and Innovation
  3. Lifetime Achievement
  4. Policy Leadership
 Select the correct answer using the code given below:
  - (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
  - (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
  - (c) 1 and 3 only
  - (d) All of the above
5. Which of the following 'Vedas' contains the 'Prithvi Sukta', which has knowledge about nature and the environment?
 

(a) Atharva Veda	(b) Rig Veda
(c) Yajur Veda	(d) Sama Veda
6. Consider the following statements about the Soil Health Card Scheme:
  1. It will be implemented through the Integrated Nutrient Management (INM) Division under the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation.
  2. Under the scheme, the farmer will get a card every year and for every crop.

3. The ideal time for soil sampling is the period after harvesting of Rabi and Kharif Crop or when there is no standing crop in the field.

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

7. Consider the following statements about the 'Biodiversity Finance Initiative' (BIOFIN):

- 1. BIOFIN in India is hosted by the Wildlife Institute of India.
- 2. Though BIOFIN is a country-wide programme, at present it is being piloted in Maharashtra and Uttarakhand only.

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. Which of the following are among the National Biodiversity Targets set by India to protect its biodiversity?

- 1. Regulation of introduction of invasive alien species and their management.
- 2. Augmentation of natural resource base and its sustainable utilization.
- 3. Integration of biodiversity concerns in economic and social development.

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

9. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Green Skill Development Programme aims to skill seven million youth in environment, forestry, wildlife and climate change sectors by 2021.
- 2. Green Skill Development Programme is being implemented by the Ministry of Skill Development And Entrepreneurship.

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

10. Consider the following statements about the Ujala Yojana:

- 1. Under this scheme, the applicant will be given the LED light bulbs at below the market rates.
- 2. To avail the benefits of the scheme only photo identity card is required.
- 3. All the bulbs purchased under this scheme has a one year replacement warranty.

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

11. In which of the following judgments, the Supreme Court held that the practice of prohibiting entry of women of menstruating age by the Sabarimala temple as illegal and unconstitutional?

- (a) Indian Young Lawyers Association Vs. State of Kerala
- (b) Sarla Mudgal and Others Vs. Union of India
- (c) State of Madras Vs. Champakam Dorairajan
- (d) Shreya Singhal Vs. Union of India

12. Match the following in the context of Indian banks:

1. **Statutory Liquidity Ratio: a)** Assets that can easily be converted into cash.
2. **Liquidity coverage ratio: b)** Assets need to hold in the form of cash.
3. **Cash reserve ratio: c)** Assets in the form of government securities, gold etc.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1-a, 2-b, 3-c
- (b) 1-c, 2-a, 3-b
- (c) 1-c, 2-b, 3-a
- (d) 1-b, 2-c, 3-a

13. Recently, the Reserve Bank of India has reclassified an additional 2% of the value of the statutory liquidity ratio investments in government securities, gold etc. as high-quality liquid assets to:

- (a) Improve the liquidity in the economy.
- (b) Decrease the liquidity in the economy.
- (c) Stem the decline in the value of Indian rupee against the dollar.
- (d) Control inflation resulting from the increase in price of petrol and diesel.

14. Consider the following statements according to the latest Agricultural Census:

1. In 2015-16, the total number and total area under small holdings showed an increase compared to 2010-11.
2. In 2015-16, the total number and total area under medium and large holdings showed an increase compared to 2010-11.

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

15. Match the following in the context of Indian Constitution:

**Writ:**

**Meaning**

1. Habeas Corpus: a) We command
2. Mandamus: b) To be informed
3. Certiorari: c) You may have the body

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1-a, 2-b, 3-c
- (b) 1-c, 2-a, 3-b
- (c) 1-c, 2-b, 3-a
- (d) 1-b, 2-c, 3-a

16. Consider the following statements:

1. In the Lok Sabha, both the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker are elected from among its members by a simple majority of members present and voting in the House.
2. No specific qualifications are prescribed for being elected the Speaker.
3. Usually, a member belonging to the ruling party is elected the Speaker.

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

17. Consider the following statements about the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR):

1. The office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) helps to resettle refugees who are victims of war, political turmoil, or natural disasters.
2. The High Commissioner reports annually to the UNs General Assembly through the Economic and Social Council.
3. UNHCR won the Nobel Peace Prize for its groundbreaking work to resettle the Rohingya refugees.

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

18. In 2018, the Nobel Prize in Chemistry has been awarded for:

- (a) The development of cryo-electron microscopy, which both simplifies and improves the imaging of biomolecules.
- (b) The design and synthesis of molecular machines.
- (c) Mechanistic studies of DNA repair.
- (d) Using the concept of evolution to develop proteins.

19. Which of the following countries are the members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)?

1. Russia
2. China
3. USA
4. Saudi Arabia

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 4 only
- (d) None of the above

20. Consider the following statements:

1. Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO) is a multi-disciplinary organization under Ministry of Finance.
2. Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO) has been established for detecting and prosecuting or recommending for prosecution white-collar crimes/frauds.

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 |

## **ANSWER KEYS**

01 c   02 a   03 b   04 d   05 a   06 c   07 b   08 d   09 a   10 a  
11 a   12 b   13 a   14 a   15 b   16 d   17 a   18 d   19 c   20 b