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POLITY

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Press Information Bureau is the nodal agency for government of India to disseminate information to the print and electronic media on government policies.
2. It was originally set up as temporary cell in 1919.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C**2. Consider the following statements:**

1. Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 authorizes only central governments to appoint inquiry commissions.
2. Central government can appoint a commission of inquiry in matter falling into state list as well.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B**3. Which District Legal Services Authority has organized a Door-to-Door Legal Aid Campaign?**

- A. Unakoti
- B. North Tripura
- C. Vizag
- D. West Tripura

ANSWER: D**4. Consider the following statements:**

1. The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) Act was adopted by the United Nations (UN) General Assembly on 1956 and came into force in 1971.
2. The Bandaranaike International Airport is located in Iran.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D**5. Consider the Following Statements Regarding Justice Clocks:**

1. It is a LED display message sign board system (electronic signage system), to make effective use of database created through National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG) and to make the information available to public.
2. At present the Case Pendency in District Courts contents are being displayed.

Which of the following statement is incorrect?

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

ANSWER: B**6. 'DAKSHTA' course is associated with-**

- A. Training of civil servants
- B. Women empowerment
- C. Awareness of girl students regarding startups
- D. None of the above.

ANSWER: A**7. Consider the following statements:**

1. National Centre for Good Governance is under the purview of Ministry of Home Affairs.
2. National Good Governance Day is observed annually on December 26.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D**8. Consider the following statements:**

1. The Meira Paibis is a women-led social activist group from Tripura.
2. The group is well known for its strong organizational structure and rigid hierarchy.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

ECONOMY

1. National Industrial Corridor Development and Implementation Trust is under the ambit of-

- A. Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
- B. Ministry of Finance
- C. Ministry of Heavy Industries
- D. Ministry of Commerce and Industry

ANSWER: D

2. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Government recently permitted the import of Needle Pet Coke (NPC) for all purposes.
- 2. Petroleum coke or petcoke is a spongy, solid residue from oil distillation.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

3. Consider the following statements:

- 1. SEBI recently issued draft guidelines for Bima Vahaks.
- 2. Activities assigned to Bima Vahaks include collecting proposal information, KYC compliance, coordination and support in policy, claims-related servicing, etc.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

4. To become a registered Research Analyst (RA) in India, a person must hold a post-graduate degree or a professional qualification and market experience of _____ years.

- A. 2
- B. 5
- C. 7
- D. 10

ANSWER: B

5. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Foot rot disease was recently detected in Basmati rice.
- 2. It is caused by a bacteria 'Fusarium verticillioides'.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

6. Purple revolution is associated with production of-

- A. Lavender
- B. Indigo plants
- C. Brinjal
- D. Indian blackberry (Jamun)

ANSWER: A

7. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Flying geese model was developed by Kaname Akamatsu.
- 2. It is an environmental concept associated with route pattern of migratory birds.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

8. Consider the following statements:

- 1. MV Empress is the second international cruise vessel of India after MV Ganga Vilas.
- 2. MV Empress will sail from Kolkata to Sittwe port in Myanmar.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

9. Consider the following statements:

- 1. '100 Days 100 Pays' Campaign has been recently launched by CBI.
- 2. Unclaimed Deposits are Balances in savings / current accounts which are not operated for 10 years, or term deposits not claimed within 10 years from date of maturity.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only

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

ANSWER: B

10. Antardrishti Dashboard is an initiative by _____ associated with _____.

- A. RBI, financial inclusion
- B. Ministry of AYUSH, promoting mental health
- C. ISRO, civilian interest in space exploration
- D. None of the above.

ANSWER: A

11. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The government has launched a 'Mission on Advanced and High-Impact Research (MAHIR)' with a view to leverage emerging technologies in the Textile sector.
- 2. The mission is Planned for an initial period of seven years from 2023-24 to 2029-30.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

12. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The **Union Cabinet** has approved a revival package for state-owned telecom operator **Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd (BSNL)** with an outlay of **Rs 89,047.82** crore.
- 2. The authorized capital of BSNL was increased from Rs 1,50,000 Crore to Rs. 2,10,000 Crore.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

13. The CCEA chaired by PM Narendra Modi has approved the continuation of the central sector plan 'Exploration of Coal and Lignite scheme' with an estimated expenditure of _____.

- A. Rs 2,380 crore
- B. Rs 2,580 crore
- C. Rs 2,980 crore
- D. Rs 3,180 crore

ANSWER: C

14. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY) :

- 1. It was launched in 2015 and is a Centrally Sector Scheme.
- 2. All the States and Union Territories are covered under the programme except J&K.

Which of the following statements is/ are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: C

15. Consider the following statements regarding Pre-paid Payment Instruments (PPIs):

- 1. These are payment instruments that facilitate the purchase of goods and services.
- 2. Only those companies incorporated in India can issue PPIs in India.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

16. The One-Time settlements (OTS) framework is extended to include _____.

- A. Commercial Banks
- B. Urban Co-operative Banks
- C. Regional Rural Banks
- D. Small Finance Banks

ANSWER: B

17. Consider the following statements regarding the First Loss Default Guarantee (FLDG) framework:

- 1. The First Loss Default Guarantee (FLDG) framework is approved by Securities and Exchange Board of India.
- 2. The RBI has allowed banks to accept Default Loss Guarantee in Cash mode only.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

18. Consider the following statements regarding the Lower Subansiri Hydroelectric Power Project:

1. Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project (SLHEP), is a dam that is undergoing construction along the border of Assam and Arunachal Pradesh.
2. It is being built on the Subansiri river, which originates in the Tibet Plateau. Subansiri is the largest tributary of Brahmaputra River.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

19. Consider the following statements regarding the FAME scheme:

1. The government has reduced the subsidy provided under FAME-II scheme applicable on electric two-wheelers registered on or after April 1, 2023.
2. The Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Electric and Hybrid Vehicles (FAME) scheme was launched in 2015.

Which of the following statements is/ are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: A

20. Consider the following statements:

1. Dugdh Sanakalan Sathi Mobile App aims to streamline milk collection and logistics.
2. It was released by Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

21. Kari Irshad mango recently got the GI Tag from which state?

- A. Telangana
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Uttar Pradesh
- D. Karnataka

ANSWER: D

22. Consider the following statements:

1. National Internet Exchange of India acts as a neutral meeting point of Internet service providers.
2. It is under the purview of Ministry of Communications.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

23. Consider the following statements:

1. India has been elected as chair of Standing Committee on Integrated Pest Management under Asia Pacific Plant Protection Commission.
2. APPPC consists of all the members of Asia and Australia continents.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

24. The base year for Consumer Price Index Number for Agricultural Labourers and Rural Labourers is-

- A. 2011-12
- B. 2015-16
- C. 2005-06
- D. none of the above

ANSWER: D

25. The term 'implied volatility' is generally associated with-

- A. Supercomputing
- B. Environmental degradation
- C. Options marketplace/ economy
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: C

26. Joha rice has Geographical Tag from which of the following states?

- A. Assam
- B. West Bengal
- C. Chhattisgarh
- D. Manipur

ANSWER: A

27. Consider the following statements:

1. The Unnat Takniki Pradarshan Kendra has been set up by Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE).
2. BEE is a statutory body set up under Electricity Act, 2003.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

GEOGRAPHY

1. Consider the following statements:

1. The Helmand is Afghanistan's longest river.
2. Water sharing of Helmand River is a dispute between Afghanistan and Iraq.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

2. Consider the following statements:

1. Bihar govt. will sign a MoU with GSI for aerial survey for exploration of Magnetite bearing rocks.
2. Magnetite is the most magnetic of all the naturally occurring minerals on earth.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

3. Consider the following statements:

1. Kalasa-Banduri project aims to divert water from Malprabha to Mahadeyi.
2. Mahadei is an east flowing river that drains into Bay of Bengal.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

ART AND CULTURE

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Excavations at Delhi's Purana Qila reveal nine cultural levels dating from pre-Mauryan to Mughal period.
2. Purana Qila was built by Sher Shah Suri and Akbar.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

2. Consider the following statements:

1. The head of Thiruvavaduthurai Math presented the Sengol to India's first PM.

2. Thiruvavaduthurai Math was established by Namasivaya Murthy, a Saivite saint and scholar.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

3. Consider the following statements:

1. The Ministry of External Affairs inaugurated the exhibition "Hamari Bhasha, Hamari Virasat".
2. Gilgit Manuscripts was written between the 5" - 6" centuries CE, which is the oldest surviving manuscript collection in India.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

4. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Statue of Unity is located on Sadhu Bet river island.
- 2. The statue was designed by sculptor Ram V Sutar.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2

- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

5. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Kharchi Puja, also called the Festival of 14 Gods, is celebrated in Manipur.
- 2. It lasts for seven days, and it takes place at old Agartala in the Fourteen Gods temple.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

1. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Neuralink is making a Class III medical device known as a brain-computer interface.
- 2. It has received FDA approval to begin human trials.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

2. Consider the following statements:

- 1. A sonic boom is caused by an object, like an aircraft, moving faster than the speed of light.
- 2. A longer aircraft can also create double sonic booms.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

3. Consider the following statements Fattah Missile:

- 1. The Missile is named by the Iranian Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei 'Fattah' in Farsi, which means conqueror.
- 2. The Speed of the missile is Mach 5.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only

- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

4. The GalaxEye Space Solutions Pvt Ltd (Galaxeye Space) is building the world's first multi-sensor earth observation satellite "Drishti". It will be launched in Which year?

- A. 2023
- B. 2024
- C. 2025
- D. 2026

ANSWER: B

5. Consider the following statements regarding JATAN:

- 1. JATAN is used for creating digital collections in various museums and digital archival tools that are used in background for managing National Portal and Digital Repository for Indian Museums.
- 2. The 2D digitisation would be done using the JATAN virtual museum builder software.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

6. Cholelithiasis, often seen in the news, is associated with which of the following?

- A. A product developed by DRDO to get rid of germs in skin
- B. A wound healing material
- C. First indigenously developed cultured meat
- D. It is class B medical device approved recently by CDSCO

ANSWER: B

7. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Phonons are packets of energy for sound waves.
- 2. Phonons like photons, can travel without medium.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

8. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Chiral Bose-liquid state could possibly be a new state of matter.
- 2. It is attained at extremely high temperatures.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

9. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Pink Bollworm is one of the most destructive pests of paddy.
- 2. It is only found in India and Pakistan.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

10. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Fibonacci sequence is a set of numbers where each is the sum of the three numbers that precede it.
- 2. All the plants in nature show Fibonacci spiral patterns.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

11. The 'India 5G and Beyond hackathon' has been recently announced by-

- A. Niti aayog
- B. Department of telecommunications
- C. Isro
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: B

DEFENSE

1. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Saudi Arabia has recently withdrawn from Combined Maritime Forces coalition.
- 2. CMF headquarters are located in Bahrain.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

2. Consider the following statements:

- 1. MH-60R, world's most advanced maritime airplane, recently made its maiden landing on INS Vikrant.

- 2. MH-60R is manufactured by Boeing.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

3. Exercise Ekatha is annual exercise conducted between the navies of India and

- A. Madagascar
- B. Mauritius
- C. Maldives
- D. Myanmar

ANSWER: C

4. Consider the following statements:

- Germany will host the **Exercise Air Defender 23**, the **largest air deployment exercise in NATO history**.
- The **Air Defender 23** exercise will see **10,000 participants** and **250 aircraft** from **31 nations**.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

5. Consider the following statements regarding INS Vikramaditya:

- INS Vikramaditya has an overall length of about 284 meters and a maximum beam of about 60 meters.
- It has been renamed in honour of Vikramaditya, a legendary emperor of Gwalior, India.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

6. Consider the following statements:

- Shekatkar committee and Kargil review committee had recommended the creation of theatre commands.
- India has 19 military commands in total with 7 of them service-oriented.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

7. Consider the following statements:

- India has recently gifted INS Kirpan to Myanmar.
- INS Kirpan is an older submarine manufactured indigenously in India.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

8. Exercise Khann Quest is being hosted by-

- A. Mongolia
- B. Philippines
- C. Kazakhstan
- D. Turkmenistan

ANSWER: A

9. Consider the following statements:

- Ravi Sinha has been appointed as the chief of Research and Analysis Wing.
- R. N. Kao as the first director of RAW.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

10. Sarmat missile has been developed recently by-

- A. Russia
- B. Iran
- C. UAE
- D. Turkey

ANSWER: A

11. Consider the following statements:

- Air Independent Propulsion (AIP) System allows the submarines to stay for longer hours in water.
- However it increases the noise levels made by the submarines.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

SPACE

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Einstein Telescope an advanced X-ray waves observatory.
2. India is a fulltime member of CERN.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

2. Consider the following statements:

1. Aarti Holla-Maini has been selected as the Director of the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA).
2. UNOOSA maintains United Nations Register of Objects Launched into Outer Space.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

ENVIRONMENT

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Environmental Information Awareness Capacity Building and Livelihood Programme is under the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change.
2. Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) was first proposed by the Indian PM at COP 26 (Glasgow).

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

2. "One Student One Tree Campaign 2023" will be launched by -

- A. ISRO
- B. AICTE
- C. DRDO
- D. NITI Aayog

ANSWER: B

3. Consider the following statements:

1. Spotted pond turtles are also known as Black Pond Turtle, Black Spotted Turtle, Hamilton's Terrapin.
2. Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve was declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO for its unique natural environment in the year of 1985.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only

- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

4. Consider the following statements:

1. Chambal River is an important nesting site for Indian Skimmer.
2. Its IUCN Red List Status is Endangered.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

5. Consider the following statements:

1. Recently a new species of duck-billed dinosaur was discovered in Australia.
2. It is a species of herbivorous dinosaur previously unknown in the southern hemisphere.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

6. Consider the following statements:

1. Kendrapara district in Andhra Pradesh is the only district in India where all three species of crocodiles.
2. IUCN status of saltwater crocodile is Vulnerable.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

7. Consider the following statements:

- 1. LEED Certification is associated with comparing logistics across the developing economies.
- 2. Green Rating for Integrated Habitat Assessment (GRIHA) is jointly set up by TERI and the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

8. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Gangotri National Park is located in upper catchment area of Bhagirathi river.
- 2. Part of national park forms the international boundary of India and Tibet.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

9. "Blue Ocean Event" refers to a hypothetical event in which the _____ becomes ice-free during the summer months.

- A. The whole cryosphere
- B. Antarctic ocean
- C. Atlantic ocean
- D. Arctic ocean

ANSWER: D

10. Consider the following statements:

- 1. 20 White-Rumped Vultures were recently transferred from Pinjore to Chhattisgarh.
- 2. Its IUCN red list is 'Critically Endangered'.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

11. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Red-eared sliders turtle is one of the world's 100 worst invasive non-native species.
- 2. Its IUCN red list status is 'Vulnerable'.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

12. 'Hasarius Mumbai', discovered recently, is a species of-

- A. fish
- B. crab
- C. lizard
- D. spider

ANSWER: D

13. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Indian Ocean Dipole is defined by the difference in sea surface temperature between the eastern and western sides of the Pacific Ocean.
- 2. A negative IOD helps rainfall along the African coast, and Indian subcontinent.

Which of the following statements is/ are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: C

14. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The 64th Global Environment Facility council meeting was recently held in Brasilia.
- 2. GEF was established during Stockholm Conference of 1972.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

15. The IUCN status of Burmese peacock softshell turtle is-

- A. Vulnerable
- B. Endangered
- C. Critically endangered
- D. Extinct in wild

ANSWER: C

INTERNATIONAL

1. Consider the following statements:

- Asian Development Bank recently revealed Country Partnership Strategy for India for 2023-2030.
- ADB was established on the lines of World Bank in 1960.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D**2. Consider the following statements:**

- Recep Tayyip Erdogan has been re-elected as president of Turkey.
- Bola Tinubu has been elected as president of Somalia.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A**3. Consider the following statements:**

- Union Cabinet has approved to establish a Regional Office of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) in Mumbai.
- India joined UPU post-independence in 1947.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D**4. Consider the following statements:**

- India and the France has pledged to streamline their export control regimes for critical technologies at the inaugural India-France Strategic Trade Dialogue (IUSSTD).
- The both governments can facilitate the development and trade of technologies in critical domains such as textiles & Cotton.

Which of the following statements is/ are incorrect?

- 1 only

- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C**5. Consider the following statements regarding the Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CEPA):**

- CEPA is a comprehensive agreement between India and the United Arab Emirates that seeks to enhance the economic and commercial ties between the two countries.
- India and the UAE look to more than double non-oil bilateral trade to USD 100 billion by 2030.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C**6. Consider the following statements regarding National Conference of Tribal writers:**

- The First Ever National Conference of Tribal writers was held in J&K.
- The conference was organised at the Jammu University's Bhandarwah campus was attended by 33 Adivasi writers, poets and cultural experts.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A**7. Consider the following statements regarding New Development Bank:**

- The New Development Bank (NDB) is a multilateral development bank established by Brazil, Russia, India, China and Saudi Arabia (BRICS).
- It is headquartered at Shanghai, China.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2

D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

8. Consider the following statements regarding United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization:

1. Recently, The Government of India has announced its plans to rejoin the UNESCO.
2. The agency's permanent headquarters are in Paris, France.

Which of the following statements is/ are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: A

9. Consider the following statements regarding the 'Memorial wall for fallen United Nations peacekeepers':

1. The UN General Assembly has adopted a draft resolution introduced by France to establish a memorial wall in the UN Headquarters to honour fallen peacekeepers.
2. India is currently the largest contributor of uniformed personnel to UN Peacekeeping with more than 36,000 military and police personnel.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

10. In which country, the World Bank (WB) has launched its first dedicated road safety project in South Asia?

- A. India
- B. Bhutan
- C. Myanmar
- D. Bangladesh

ANSWER: D

11. Which Country will host the 2025 International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS) Annual Conference?

- A. France
- B. Bangladesh

- C. India
- D. Russia

ANSWER: C

12. Consider the following statements:

1. Nagorno-Karabakh region is located in northern Africa.
2. Mayon volcano is located in Japan.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

13. Vermilion Sea is located in-

- A. Mediterranean sea
- B. Near antarctica in southern ocean
- C. West pacific ocean
- D. East pacific ocean

ANSWER: D

14. Petteri Orpo has been elected as the new Prime minister of-

- A. Finland
- B. Norway
- C. Sweden
- D. Denmark

ANSWER: A

15. The base year for Consumer Price Index Number for Agricultural Labourers and Rural Labourers is-

- A. 2011-12
- B. 2015-16
- C. 2005-06
- D. none of the above

ANSWER: D

16. Canary Islands are under the administrative control of-

- A. Spain
- B. Portugal
- C. United Kingdom
- D. Germany

ANSWER: A

17. Consider the following statements:

1. India and Belgium have recently signed Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty (MLAT) in criminal matters.
2. Ministry of External Affairs is the nodal ministry for executing court orders under the MLATs.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

18. Consider the following statements:

1. World Health Organization has recently certified Belize as malaria-free.
2. Belize Barrier Reef is the second-largest barrier reef in the world.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only

- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

19. Consider the following statements:

1. Southern African Customs Union consists of 15 African member countries.
2. Its headquarters are located in Windhoek, Namibia.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

DAYS TO REMEMBER

1. World Milk Day is observed every year on-

- A. May 31st
- B. May 30th
- C. June 1st.
- D. June 2nd

ANSWER: C

2. The theme of World Environment Day 2023 is-

- A. Save environment, save yourself
- B. Ecosystem restoration
- C. Only one earth
- D. Solutions to plastic pollution

ANSWER: D

3. World Food Safety Day is observed annually on-

- A. June 1st
- B. June 5th
- C. June 6th
- D. June 7th

ANSWER: D

4. The World Oceans Day is observed annually on-

- A. June 1st
- B. June 3rd
- C. June 8th
- D. June 9th

ANSWER: C

5. The World Accreditation Day is observed annually on-

- A. June 1st
- B. June 3rd
- C. June 8th

- D. June 9th

ANSWER: D

6. World Day Against Child Labour has been observed every Year on -

- A. June 10th
- B. June 11th
- C. June 12th
- D. June 13th

ANSWER: C

7. The World Blood Donor Day is celebrated annually on _____.

- A. June 11
- B. June 12
- C. June 13
- D. June 14

ANSWER: D

8. What was the theme of United Nations World Day Against Child Labour 2023 that was observed across the world on 12th June 2023?

- A. Children shouldn't work in fields, but on dreams
- B. COVID-19 – Protect children from child labour now
- C. Universal Social Protection to End Child Labour
- D. Social Justice for All. End Child Labour!

ANSWER: D

9. World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought 2023 is celebrated on

- A. 12 March
- B. 17 April
- C. 17 June

D. 5 July

ANSWER: C

10. World Refugee Day is observed annually on-

- A. June 18th
- B. June 19th
- C. June 20th
- D. June 21st

ANSWER: C

11. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The theme for International Day of Yoga 2023 is "Yoga for Health".
- 2. The inaugural celebration of International Yoga Day was in June 2014.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

12. International Day of Women in Diplomacy is celebrated on-

- A. June 21st
- B. June 22nd
- C. June 23rd
- D. June 24th

ANSWER: D

13. International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is observed on-

- A. June 23rd
- B. June 24th
- C. June 25th
- D. June 26th

ANSWER: D

14. National Statistics Day is observed annually on-

- A. June 26th
- B. June 27th
- C. June 28th
- D. June 29th

ANSWER: D

15. Consider the following statements:

- 1. World Asteroid Day is observed in June 28th.
- 2. The Tunguska asteroid's impact happened over Alaska on June 30, 1908.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

16. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Inter-Parliamentary Union was established in in 1889 in Paris.
- 2. Its headquarters are located in Geneva, Switzerland.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

17. National Insurance Awareness Day is observed annually on-

- A. June 27th
- B. June 28th
- C. June 29th
- D. June 30th

ANSWER: B

PERSON NEWS

1. Padam Shri- Ved Kumari Ghai, who passed away recently, was a renowned-

- A. Dancer
- B. Painter
- C. Sitar player
- D. Sanskrit scholar

ANSWER: D

2. Damodar Kashyap, has transformed 400 acres of land in his village into a flourishing forest through a community-based approach to

conservation. He is Associated with which State/UT ?

- A. Bihar
- B. Assam
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Chhattisgarh

ANSWER: D

3. Silvio Berlusconi, an Italian media tycoon, politician, and billionaire who passed away. He was Former PM of which country?

- A. Spain
- B. France
- C. Germany
- D. Italy

ANSWER: D

4. Harry Markowitz who passed away recently, won Noble Prize for _____.

- A. Peace
- B. Economics
- C. Physics

- D. Medicine

ANSWER: B

5. Which of the following is the Author of the book 'Ajay to Yogi Adityanath'?

- A. Yogi Adityanath
- B. Raghav Mathur
- C. Dinesh Misra
- D. Shantanu Gupta

ANSWER: D

INDEX AND REPORTS

1. Consider the following statements:

1. World of Work report is released by World Bank.
2. A new indicator called the jobs gap which encompasses all individuals who desire employment but are currently jobless has been introduced.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

2. Consider the following statements regarding Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI):

1. Global military expenditure rose for the eighth consecutive year in 2022 to reach an estimated \$2240 billion, the highest level ever recorded by SIPRI.
2. Governments around the world spent an average of 6.2 percent of their budgets on the military, or \$482 per person.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

3. Consider the following statements regarding National Time Release Study (NTRS) 2023:

1. It calculates the time it takes for cargo to arrive and be free of charge for domestic clearance for imports and for cargo to arrive and be carried away by the carrier for exports.
2. The results underline the significance of the "Path to Promptness" strategy, which includes rewards for dependable clients, risk-based facilitation, and early filing of import documentation.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

4. Consider the following statements:

1. Global Liveability Index 2023 was recently released by UN-Habitat.
2. It has been topped by Vienna.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

APPOINTMENTS

1. Who has been sworn in as new Central Vigilance Commissioner?

- A. Jatin bhattacharya
- B. Suresh n patel

- C. Praveen kumar srivastava
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: C

2. Celeste Saulo has been appointed as the first female Secretary-General of

- A. World Meteorological Organization
- B. World Health Organization
- C. UNESCO
- D. Food and Agriculture Organisation

ANSWER: A

3. Who has been appointed as the new director general of the Border Security Force (BSF)?

- A. Sujoy Lal Thakur
- B. Pankaj Kumar Singh
- C. Nitin Agarwal
- D. Vijay Mehta

ANSWER: C

4. Who has been appointed as the CEO of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)?

- A. Amit Agarwal
- B. Subodh Kumar Singh
- C. Anurag Sinha
- D. Ajay Mathur

ANSWER: A

5. Who has been appointed as the Director General of the National Testing Agency (NTA)?

- A. Nitin Agarwal
- B. Subodh Kumar Singh
- C. Anurag Sinha
- D. Ajay Mathur

ANSWER: B

POLICY AND PROGRAMME

1. Namo Shetkari Mahasanman Yojana, a farmer financial assistance scheme has been launched by which state?

- A. Gujarat
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Uttar Pradesh
- D. Rajasthan

ANSWER: B

2. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The PM SVANidhi is a micro credit scheme launched in 2020 to provide handholding support to street vendors.
- 2. It is a central sponsored scheme under Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

3. Consider the following statements regarding CM Learn and Earn Scheme:

- 1. The Uttar Pradesh Government has set to launch Mukhyamantri Seekho-Kamao Yojana' (CM Learn and Earn Scheme).
- 2. The 12th passed student will be given Rs 8000 per month.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only

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

ANSWER: B

4. Consider the following statements regarding National Exit Test (NExT):

- 1. The National Exit Test (NExT) will be held in 2025.
- 2. The National Exit Test will replace the final-year MBBS examination and the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test-Postgraduate (NEET-PG), acting as the test for registration for doctors and admission to medical postgraduate courses.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

5. Consider the following statements regarding Railway Protection Force (RPF):

- 1. Mission Vatsalya has been launched by the Railway Protection Force (RPF) to make it easier for railway passengers to get back their lost luggage.
- 2. The Mission was launched by Southern Railways.

Which of the following statements is/ are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: C

6. Consider the following statements about DigiYatra :

1. DigiYatra is an initiative that uses facial recognition technology to make terminal entry & security clearance at the airport a seamless, hassle-free, and paperless process.
2. Discounts in air and railway ticketing booking for Aadhaar verified users in the Digi Yatra mobile application.

Which of the following statements is/ are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: B

7. Consider the following statements regarding the Poshan Tracker App:

1. The Poshan Tracker App provides a comprehensive view of activities at Anganwadi Centers, service deliveries by Anganwadi Workers, and beneficiary management for pregnant women, lactating mothers, and children under 14 years old.
2. The Poshan Tracker App was launched by the Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD).

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

8. Consider the following statements regarding the 'Kanya Shiksha Pravesh Utsav':

1. The "Kanya Shiksha Pravesh Utsav" campaign has been launched by the Ministry of Women and Child Development in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).
2. The campaign builds on existing schemes for girls such as Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP), National Education Policy (NEP), Scheme For Adolescent Girls (SAG), etc.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

9. Consider the following statements regarding the SANKALP Programme:

1. It was launched by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.
2. It is a World Bank loan-assisted project which is aligned with the objectives of the National Skill Development Mission.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

10. Which Railway Station has received the prestigious 'Eat Right Station' certification (FSSAI)?

- A. Amravati
- B. Bhilwara
- C. Guwahati
- D. Bengaluru

ANSWER: C

SCHEMES

1. Consider the following statements regarding 'Shakti' Scheme:

1. The Karnataka government has launched 'Shakti smart cards' to provide free travel to Schedule Caste and Schedule Tribe People in state-run buses.

2. The Scheme will cost the government about Rs 4,700 crore per year.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2

D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

2. Consider the following statements regarding the 'Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana':

1. 'Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana' is a Centrally Sponsored Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) scheme launched in 2020.
2. Under this scheme monetary benefit of Rs. 15,000 is given to the expecting mothers from the time of the initial stage of pregnancy to till the time the child is born.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

3. Consider the following statements about Open Market Sale Scheme (OMSS):

1. Under OMSS, the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) sells surplus stocks of wheat and rice at pre-determined prices through e-auction in the open market.
2. The State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations are also allowed to participate in the e-auction, if they require wheat and rice outside the Targeted Public Distribution Scheme (TPDS) and Other Welfare Schemes (OWS).

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

SOCIAL EDUCATION HEALTH

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Studies show that flavanols improved memory by acting selectively on dentate gyrus- an area within brain's hippocampus
2. Apples, blackberries, peaches, tomatoes, onions and dark chocolate contains flavonoids

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

2. Consider the following statements regarding Manual Scavenging:

1. The World Health Organization describes 3 forms of manual scavenging in India.
2. The FY 2023-24 Union Budget has allocated ₹100 crore for the NAMASTE scheme.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

3. Which of the following has launched the "Addiction Free Amrit Kaal" campaign to promote a healthier & addiction-free India?

- A. Central Bureau of Investigation
- B. National Commission for Women
- C. National Commission for Protection of Child Rights
- D. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

ANSWER: C

4. Consider the following statements:

1. Drugs Technical Advisory Board recently banned Diclofenac.
2. Drugs Technical Advisory Board is under Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: D

5. The child helpline number _____ is about to be merged in emergency response support system 112.

- A. 1098
- B. 1298
- C. 1198
- D. 1092

ANSWER: A

6. Consider the following statements:

1. The skin of a deceased person can be donated within six hours of death.
2. Skin can be stored for three to five years by preserving in 85% glycerol solution.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

7. Consider the following statements:

1. National Sickle Cell Anemia Elimination Mission aims to eliminate sickle cell disease by 2030.
2. A person will be born with sickle cell disease only if two genes are inherited—one from the mother and one from the father.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

SPROTS

1. India recently defeated Pakistan in Junior Hockey Asia Cup held in-

- A. Malaysia
- B. China
- C. UAE
- D. Oman

ANSWER: D

2. Who won the Spanish Grand Prix recently?

- A. Lewis Hamilton
- B. George Russell
- C. Sergio Perez
- D. Max Verstappen

ANSWER: D

3. Which of the following has won Men's Singles title at French Open 2023?

- A. Rafael Nadal
- B. Roger Federer
- C. Novak Djokovic
- D. Ivan Dodig

ANSWER: C

4. Australia has won the World Test Championship by defeating India. the final match of ICC World Test Championship 2023 held in which stadium?

- A. The Oval Cricket Ground
- B. Lord's Cricket Ground
- C. Old Trafford Cricket Ground
- D. Sydney Cricket Ground

ANSWER: A

5. India has won the Women's Hockey Junior Asia Cup 2023 defeating which country?

- A. South Korea
- B. North Korea
- C. Japan

D. Thailand

ANSWER: A

6. Which of the following has won the French Open wheelchair final to become the sport's youngest Grand Slam champion 2023?

- A. Tokito Oda
- B. Alfie Hewett
- C. Park Seo-yeon
- D. Silvio Berlusconi

ANSWER: A

7. Indian long jumper Murali Sreeshankar secured third place in Paris Diamond League 2023. The event was organized in which country?

- A. India
- B. Germany
- C. USA
- D. France

ANSWER: D

8. The First Janjatiya Khel Mahotsav was organized at which Institution?

- A. IIT Delhi
- B. Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences, Bhubaneswar
- C. Kalinga Institute of Information Technology, Madras
- D. NIT Jalandhar

ANSWER: B

9. C A Bhavani Devi is associated with the sport of-

- A. Hockey
- B. Fencing
- C. Cricket
- D. Squash

ANSWER: B

AWARDS

1. President Droupadi Murmu was honoured with the Grand Order of the Chain of the Yellow Star, which is the highest civilian award of -

- A. Senegal
- B. Suriname
- C. Sudan
- D. South Africa

ANSWER: B

2. Which of the following has been conferred with 2023 2023 Michel Batisse Award for Biosphere Reserve Management by UNESCO?

- A. Jagdish Bakan
- B. Jagan Mohan Reddy
- C. Vijay Sahota
- D. Kamini Rajan

ANSWER: A

3. The second edition of Antarashtriya Yoga Diwas Media Samman has been announced by which ministry?

- A. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- B. Ministry of Sports
- C. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- D. Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

ANSWER: D

4. Who has been awarded the "Governor of the Year" at the Central Banking Awards 2023 in London?

- A. Urjit Patel
- B. Raghuram Rajan
- C. Shaktikanta Das
- D. Manmohan Singh

ANSWER: C

5. The book 'Rebels Against the Raj: Western Fighters for India's Freedom', has won the £5,000 Elizabeth Longford Prize 2023 for Historical Biography. The Book is authored by _____.

- A. Amit Agarwal
- B. Ramachandra Guha
- C. Vijay Singla
- D. Shashi Tharoor

ANSWER: B

6. Who has been awarded the 2023 Iqbal Masih Award for the Elimination of Child Labour

- A. Lalitha Natarajan
- B. Narayan Murthi
- C. N. Chandershekhra
- D. Cyrus Mistry

ANSWER: A

7. The buildings and structures from which state have been selected to receive the 'International Green Apple Awards for Beautiful Buildings' in the Urban and Real Estate Sector category?

- A. Assam
- B. Telangana
- C. Kerala
- D. Andhra Pradesh

ANSWER: B

8. WHO' Awarded Indian Film 'When Climate Change Turns Violent', the Director of the film is:

- A. Vandita Saharia
- B. Mira Nair
- C. Mrinal Sen
- D. Guru Dutt

ANSWER: A

9. Consider the following statements:

1. Gita Press, Gorakhpur has been awarded the Gandhi Peace Prize for 2021.
2. It is given by Ministry of Home Affairs.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: A

10. Consider the following statements:

1. National Florence Nightingale awards are given for exceptional work in statistical work.
2. Florence Nightingale was the first woman elected as a Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

11. Consider the following statements:

1. PM Modi was recently conferred with Europe's highest award 'Order of the Nile'.
2. The Order of the Nile was established in the 1915.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B**12. Priya A S has been honored with the prestigious Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2023. She is a writer in _____ language.**

- A. Telugu
- B. Tamil
- C. Kannada
- D. Malayalam

ANSWER: D**MISCELLANEOUS QUESTION****1. Consider the following statements:**

1. Indian scientists have discovered a new exoplanet around the star called TOI4603.
2. India has recently become net copper importer for the first time in 2022-23.
3. Abaucin is a new drug that can kill a deadly superbug *Acinetobacter baumannii*.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C**2. Consider the following statements:**

1. *PARAS extra solar planet search device is located at Hanle, Ladakh.*
2. Finished copper is the end product where impurities are removed from copper ore.
3. *A. baumannii* is bacteria that has a protective outer membrane that allows it to resist antibiotics.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C**3. Consider the following statements:**

1. Brown dwarfs are objects which have a size between that of a giant planet like Jupiter and that of a small star.
2. Chalcopryite, Bornite, Malachite, Chalcocite, Covellite, Cuprite are ore minerals of copper.

3. The new antibiotic abaucin has been discovered using Artificial Intelligence.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D**4. Consider the following statements:**

1. Ahmedabad will be renamed as 'Ahilyanagar' after Ahilyabai Holkar.
2. '2023 FW13' is the name of asteroid discovered recently between Mars and Jupiter.
3. Earth System Boundaries (ESBs) are scientifically quantified safe and just limits for climate, freshwater, biodiversity and different kinds of pollution.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C**5. Consider the following statements:**

1. After her husband's death in the Battle of Kumbher, Ahilyabai took control of Malwa.
2. To be retained by a planet, a natural satellite must have an orbit that lies within the planet's Hill sphere.
3. 7 out of 8 earth system boundaries (ESBs) have already been crossed as per recent studies.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only

- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

6. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Ahilyabai ruled Malwa province for 28 years.
- 2. The radius of the 'Hill Sphere' of our Moon is 1.5 million kilometers.
- 3. India is an ESB transgression hotspot with the Himalayan foothills experiencing at least 5 ESB transgressions.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

7. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Law Commission of India in its recent report has recommended repealing the sedition law.
- 2. Telangana Formation Day was recently celebrated on June 2nd at Charminar, Hyderabad.
- 3. The BRICS five-nation summit is scheduled to be held in August in Capetown.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

8. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The offence of sedition was introduced by the British colonial government in 1919.
- 2. Golconda was the principal capital of the Qutub Shahi kings.
- 3. International Criminal Court headquarters are located in Hague, Netherlands.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

9. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Sedition is a cognizable, non-bailable, and non-compoundable offense.

- 2. The Golconda fort fell into ruin in 1687, after an 8-month-long siege by forces of Mughal emperor Akbar.
- 3. International Criminal Court has its own police force to enforce its mandate.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

10. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Engineers India Ltd.(EIL) is studying prospects and feasibility of developing salt cavern-based strategic oil reserves in Rann of Kutch, Gujarat.
- 2. Myristica swamps are found mainly in Eastern ghats.
- 3. The Agni 1 to 4 missiles have ranges from 700 km to 3,500 km and they have already been deployed.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

11. Consider the following statements:

- 1. USA's strategic petroleum reserves are majorly rock cavern-based oil storage facilities Texas and Louisiana.
- 2. Myristica swamps requires freshwater for their survival.
- 3. Agni Prime missile's strike range is between 1,000 km and 2,000 km.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

12. Consider the following statements:

- 1. India's strategic petroleum reserves can meet around 95 days of demand.
- 2. Myristica swamps have stilt roots, or knee roots that pop up above the water level to breathe.
- 3. Under Integrated Guided Missile Development Programme, missiles like Prithvi, Agni, Brahmos, Akash and Nag are developed.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

13. Consider the following statements:

1. Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries headquarters are located in Dubai, UAE.
2. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare recently banned 14 fixed-dose combination (FDC) medicines.
3. National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) has recently alerted states for outbreaks of five diseases—typhoid, malaria, dengue, scrub typhus and hepatitis A.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

14. Consider the following statements:

1. OPEC+ includes all oil producing countries of the world.
2. Fixed-Dose Combination (FDC) Drugs contain a combination of two or more active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs) in a fixed ratio.
3. National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) headquarters are located in Bengaluru.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

15. Consider the following statements:

1. Norway and Russia are part of OPEC+.
2. The manufacturing cost of Fixed-Dose Combination (FDC) Drugs is comparatively higher than separate drugs.
3. The Central Malaria Bureau was established at Kasauli (Himachal Pradesh) in 1949.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 3 only

- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

16. Consider the following statements:

1. Amrit Dharohar scheme aims at conservation of Ramsar Sites through active public participation.
2. Nyaya Vikas Portal was launched recently by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
3. Bacteriophages, or phages, are viruses that infect and replicate only in bacterial cells.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

17. Consider the following statements:

1. Amrit Sarovar Mission is under the Purview of Ministry of Jal Shakti.
2. Nyaya Vikas Portal provides a map view that shows the location and status of each project under Nyaya Vikas Scheme across the country.
3. Bacteriophages were discovered by Frederick William Twort and Felix d'Herelle in 1915.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

18. Consider the following statements:

1. MISHTI programme will cover 54000 sq km area across 9 coastal States and 4 UTs in five years.
2. Ministry of Law & Justice been implementing the CSS for the Development of Infrastructure Facilities for Districts and Subordinate Judiciary since 2014.
3. Each phage targets only a particular bacterial strain or species.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

19. Consider the following statements:

1. The Kakhovka Hydroelectric Power Plant is in the city of Nova Kakhovka in the Kherson region. The city is currently under Ukraine occupation.
2. The Energy Progress Report 2023 is produced annually by five of the custodian agencies responsible for tracking global progress toward Sustainable Development Goal 7 (SDG 7).
3. The Indian Navy has successfully test-fired an indigenously developed heavyweight torpedo, "Varunastra" in Indian Ocean.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B**20. Consider the following statements:**

1. The Kakhovka dam is one of six that line the Dnipro river, which flows from the country's far north to the Black Sea.
2. SDG 7 is to "Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls."
3. Varunastra has a maximum strike range of 40 kilometers and can travel at speeds of more than 100 kilometers per hour at a maximum depth of 600 mts.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B**21. Consider the following statements:**

1. Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant is the largest nuclear power plant in Africa and is located in the southeast of Ukraine.
2. As per Energy Progress Report 2023 ,By 2047, only 92% of the world will be electrified at the current rate of development.
3. Varunastra was inducted by ISRO in 2016 and can be fired from all Anti-submarine warfare (ASW) ships capable of firing heavy-weight torpedoes in an intense counter measures environment.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D**22. Consider the following statements:**

1. ISRO has successfully conducted flight test of the New Generation Ballistic Missile "Agni Prime" from Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Island off the coast of Odisha.
2. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has recently Conducted a Two-Day Variable Rate Reverse Repo (VRRR) Auction for Rs 65,000 Crore.
3. The 5th State Food Safety Index (SFSI) of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) was released by Honorable Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare Mansukh Mandaviya on the occasion of World Food Safety Day.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C**23. Consider the following statements:**

1. Agni-P is a canisterized surface-to-air ballistic missile with a 1,000–2,000 km range capability.
2. Repo Rate is the rate at which the RBI issues loans to commercial banks when there is a shortage of funds.
3. In Small States Category, Delhi topped the **5th State Food Safety Index 2023**.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A**24. Consider the following statements:**

1. Agni Prime Missile is the sixth missile in the Agni (missile) series of ballistic missile and heavier than all the earlier Agni series of missiles.

2. The Variable Rate Reverse Repo (VRRR) auction is undertaken to increase liquidity in the system by putting more cash.
3. The FSSAI aims to train 40 lakh food businesses operators in the next three years to ensure that food quality standards are met across the country and meet the quality benchmark for food safety, hygiene and nutrition.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

25. Consider the following statements:

1. A cyclonic storm, named Biparjoy, has developed in the Arabian Sea.
2. The Securities Appellate Tribunal (SAT) quashed the order passed by the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) cancelling Brickwork Ratings' licence as a credit rating agency.
3. Pakistan signed a Joint Implementation Plan (JIP) with Afghanistan to speed up work on Turkmenistan, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and India (Tapi) gas pipeline project.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

26. Consider the following statements:

1. Tropical cyclones are fuelled by the transfer of water vapor and heat from warm ocean surfaces to the air.
2. The Securities Appellate Tribunal (SAT) consists of a Presiding Officer & Five other members.
3. TAPI Pipeline Project is an 1,814-kilometre pipeline that aims to transport 33 billion cubic metres of gas from Turkmenistan to Afghanistan, Pakistan and finally, India.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

27. Consider the following statements:

1. Cyclone "Biparjoy" name was suggested by Bangladesh and the word means 'miracle' in Bengali.
2. The Securities Appellate Tribunal (SAT) has the same powers as vested in a civil court.
3. The TAPI Pipeline project is being funded by the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB), which is also acting as transaction adviser for the development.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

28. Consider the following statements:

1. The researchers at IIT Kanpur has developed a 100% Dimethyl Ether-fuelled engine with a mechanical fuel injection system.
2. A online dredging monitoring system 'SAGAR SAMRIDDHI' has been launched by Ministry of External Affairs.
3. World Food Programme was founded in 1961 by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

29. Consider the following statements:

1. Dimethyl Ether is a synthetically produced alternative to Petrol for use in specially designed Petrol engines.
2. 'SAGAR SAMRIDDHI' is developed by National Technology Centre for Ports, Waterways and Coasts (NTCPWC).
3. The United Nations World Food Programme is Headquartered at Rome, Italy.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B**30. Consider the following statements:**

1. Dimethyl Ether has a very low cetane number, which is a measure of the fuel's ignitability in compression ignition engines.
2. National Technology Centre for Ports, Waterways and Coasts (NTCPWC) was set up as an incubation centre at the Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur (IITK), Chennai during 2018.
3. Under World Food Programme, the international community has committed to end hunger, achieve food security and improve nutrition by 2025.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D**31. Consider the following statements:**

1. The Ishad mango, a native variety of Ankola taluk in Uttara Kannada district of Tamil Nadu, has received the geographical indication (GI) tag.
2. The Delhi High Court has directed the CBSE to comply with the request of two siblings under 'Right to Live with Dignity'.
3. The banks have put daily limits for the transactions facilitated by the Prepaid Payments Interface (PPI).

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C**32. Consider the following statements:**

1. The Ishad mango has three variants — Kari Ishad, Mupa Ishad, and Bili Ishad.
2. The Right To Live with Human Dignity is a part of Article 21 of Indian Constitution.
3. Unified Payments Interface (UPI) was developed by National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) in 2016.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only

B. 2 & 3 only

C. 3 only

D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B**33. Consider the following statements:**

1. The geographical indication (GI) tag is granted for a period of 15 years and can be renewed indefinitely.
2. Right to Life and Personal Liberty cannot be suspended even during an emergency.
3. Virtual Payment Address (VPA) is a unique identifier that helps PPI to track a person's account.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B**34. Consider the following statements:**

1. The Leaders of the Group of Seven (G7) has introduced the Hiroshima AI Process (HAP) as a means to regulate Artificial Intelligence (AI).
2. Under Article 200 of the Constitution, the Governor refer any Bill for the approval of the President.
3. Chikungunya is a Fungal disease transmitted to humans through the bites of rats infected with the chikungunya virus.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A**35. Consider the following statements:**

1. The 49th annual Summit of Group of Seven (G7) was held at Hiroshima, Japan.
2. The President of India administer the oath of office to the Governor.
3. The word Chikungunya comes from the American Makonde language and means "bent over in pain."

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only

D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

36. Consider the following statements:

1. The Group of Seven (G7) is an intergovernmental economic group consisting of 7 largest IMF advanced economies such as Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the UK, and Russia.
2. In India, the same person cannot be appointed as Governor for two or more states at the same time.
3. The most common symptom of Chikungunya is an abrupt onset of fever, often accompanied by joint pain.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

37. Consider the following statements:

1. Gender Social Norms Index (GSNI), 2023 is released by UNESCO.
2. The ship 'Anjadip' has been named Anjadip to signify the strategic maritime importance accorded to the island of Anjadip, located off Karwar, Karnataka.
3. The satisfaction of the President to issue an ordinance is final and cannot be challenged in court.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

38. Consider the following statements:

1. According to the Gender Social Norms Index (GSNI) 2023, On average, the share of heads of state or government who are women has remained around 10 % worldwide since 1995, and women hold just over a quarter of parliament seats globally.
2. The ship named 'Sanshodhak', meaning 'Researcher', signifies the primary role of the ship as a Survey Vessel.

3. An ordinance issued by the President must be passed by the Parliament within six weeks from the issuing date.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

39. Consider the following statements:

1. According to the Gender Social Norms Index (GSNI) 2023, 50 % of people believe it is justified for a man to beat his wife.
2. Survey Vessel Large (SVL) ships will replace the existing Sandhayak Class survey ships, with new generation hydrographic equipment, to collect oceanographic data.
3. Article 123 states that the Governor of the state may issue ordinances when the state legislative assembly (or either of the two Houses in states with bicameral legislatures) is not in session.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

40. Consider the following statements:

1. The Union Cabinet has approved the constitution of an Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) to facilitate the "world's smallest grain storage plan in the Schools".
2. Recently, Karnataka has announced that it has withdrawn the general consent given to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI).
3. The Report 'Global Trends: Forced Displacement in 2022' is released annually by UNESCO.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

41. Consider the following statements:

1. India has a storage capacity of 47 per cent of its total food grains production.
2. The CBI is governed by The Delhi Special Police Establishment (DSPE) Act, 1946, and it must mandatorily obtain the consent of the state government concerned before beginning to investigate a crime in a state.
3. According to the "Global Trends: Forced Displacement in 2022" Report, the number of people who were uprooted from their hometowns due to social and climate crises in 2022 was 21% higher than in 2021.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

42. Consider the following statements:

1. According to Government, there are more than 5,00,000 Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) spread across the country with a huge member base of more than 13 crore farmers.
2. CBI was set up by a resolution of the Ministry of Home Affairs in 1963 after Malhotra committee recommendation.
3. According to the "Global Trends: Forced Displacement in 2022" Report, More than 108.4 million people were forcibly displaced by the end of 2022, 30% of them were children.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

43. Consider the following statements:

1. The MQ-9B drone is a variant of the MQ-9 "Reaper", an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) capable of remotely controlled or autonomous flight operations.
2. The VAIBHAV Fellowships Programme is designed to promote collaboration and research engagement between outstanding scientists and technologists of foreigners.
3. The government had decided to include 20 communities to the Central list of OBCs from the states like Himachal Pradesh, Bihar,

Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, and Jammu and Kashmir.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

44. Consider the following statements:

1. Predator drone developed by General Atomics Aeronautical Systems (GA-ASI), primarily for the United States Air Force (USAF) that can carry up to 5,670 kg and has a fuel capacity of 2,721 kg.
2. The primary aim of the VAIBHAV Programme is to enhance the research ecosystem in Indian higher educational institutions by facilitating collaborations between Indian institutions and renowned global institutions.
3. Articles 15(3) and 16(4) make special provisions for socially and educationally backward classes of citizens (SEBCs, popularly known as OBCs), the Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs).

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

45. Consider the following statements:

1. Capability of automatic take-offs and landings, predator drone can safely integrate into civil airspace, enabling joint forces and civil authorities to deliver real-time situational awareness anywhere in the maritime domain -- day or night.
2. To be eligible for the fellowship, researchers must be affiliated with institutions ranked in the top 300 of the QS World University Rankings.
3. Article 338B, which deals with the structure, duties, and powers of the NCBC.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

46. Consider the following statements:

1. The Sundargarh natural arch is located in Chhattisgarh district.
2. Food Outlook report was recently released by FAO.
3. Pharmaceuticals & Medical Devices Bureau of India is implementing agency for Pradhan Mantri Bharatiya Jan Aushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) scheme.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

47. Consider the following statements:

1. Geo Heritage Sites are declared by Geological Survey of India.
2. The Codex Alimentarius Commission is associated with food standards programme.
3. Jan Aushadhi Diwas is celebrated every year on March 7th.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

48. Consider the following statements:

1. Geological Survey of India is under the purview of Ministry of Earth Sciences.
2. India has four systems under Agricultural Heritage Systems of Global Importance (GIAHS).
3. The nodal ministry for PMBJP is Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

49. Consider the following statements:

1. Madhya Pradesh was adjudged the Best state in 4th National Water Awards, 2022.

2. Brain Fingerprinting/Brain mapping/ P-300 test, is a neuro psychological method of interrogation.
3. TAPAS, seen in news, recently is a stealth frigate of Indian Navy.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

50. Consider the following statements:

1. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change of India is the nodal ministry for National Water Awards.
2. BEOS is an invasive technique with a great degree of sensitivity.
3. TAPAS UAV is a Medium Altitude Long Endurance (MALE) unmanned aerial vehicle.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

51. Consider the following statements:

1. Microsoft in Noida got the Best Industry for CSR technologies in National Water awards.
2. BEOS was developed by Champadi Raman Mukunandan, a neuroscientist from India.
3. TAPAS UAV can effectively operate in both day and night conditions.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

52. Consider the following statements:

1. Sahitya Akademi Award were established in 1974.
2. UN High Seas Treaty has been adopted under UNCLOS framework.
3. 'Maharana' are expert carpenters which construct the chariots for Jagannath Puri Yatra.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only

- C. 3 only
D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

53. Consider the following statements:

1. Jnanpith Awards is the second highest literary award in India.
2. High Seas lie beyond 100nm from the coastlines of countries.
3. The three dieties have a common Chariot during Jagannath Puri Yatra.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
B. 2 & 3 only
C. 3 only
D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

54. Consider the following statements:

1. Sahitya Akademi Award is given only in the languages included in 8th schedule.
2. UN High Seas Treaty aims to place 30% of the seas into protected areas by 2030.
3. Jagannath Temple was built by King Anatarman Chodaganga Deva of the Eastern Ganga Dynasty.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
B. 2 & 3 only
C. 3 only
D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

55. Chashma Nuclear Power plant is a proposed nuclear plant located in-

- A. India
B. Pakistan
C. Bangladesh
D. Iran

ANSWER: B

56. Consider the following statements:

1. Gender Gap Report- 2023 was released by World Bank.
2. Grievance Redressal Assessment and Index (GRAI) 2022 was launched by Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances.
3. Recently, scientists at Gujarat Energy Research and Management Institute (GERMI) have developed the thinnest, lightweight and biodegradable paper-based superconductor.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 2 only
B. 2 and 3 only
C. 3 only
D. 1 and 2 only

ANSWER: A

57. Consider the following statements:

1. India has been ranked at 127 in Gender gap report.
2. Centralised Public Grievance Redressal and Management System aims to enable 24X7 submission of grievances by the aggrieved citizens.
3. Seaweeds are macroalgae attached to rock or other substrata and are found in coastal areas.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
B. 2 & 3 only
C. 3 only
D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

58. Consider the following statements:

1. Gender gap report has been topped by Denmark.
2. CPGRAMS is available in 22 scheduled languages along with English.
3. Large seaweeds form dense underwater forests known as kelp forests.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
B. 2 & 3 only
C. 3 only
D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

59. Consider the following statements:

1. Ambubachi Mela is celebrated in West Bengal.
2. PM KISAN has become the first scheme of government to do e-KYC through facial authentication
3. PM Modi has gifted an eco-friendly lab-grown 7.5-carat diamond to US first lady.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
B. 2 & 3 only
C. 3 only
D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

60. Consider the following statements:

1. Ambubachi Mela is celebrated to mark the annual menstruation of Goddess Kamakhya.
2. PM Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) is a Central Sponsored scheme.
3. India is one of the leading producers of lab grown diamonds using High-Pressure High Temperature technology.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

61. Consider the following statements:

1. Kamakhya Temple is modeled out of combination of Nagara or North Indian and Mughal style of architecture.
2. Gram Sabha identify the farmer families which are eligible for support under PM-KISAN
3. Kashmiri papier-mâché has GI tag identification.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

62. Which city of India has set Guinness Record for largest gathering of people participating in a yoga session at a single location?

- A. Surat
- B. Ahmedabad
- C. Gandhinagar
- D. Vadodara

ANSWER: A

63. Consider the following statements:

1. India has joined the US led Artemis Accords recently.
2. Titan submersible that imploded underwater was operated by NASA.
3. PM recently gifted a first edition print of book "The Ten Principal Upanishads" (from 1937) to US President.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only

- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

64. Consider the following statements:

1. GE Aerospace will manufacture fighter jet engines for the indigenous Light combat aircraft (LCA).
2. 'MATSYA 6000' is the submersible vehicle being manufactured by National Institute of Ocean Technology.
3. There are over 200 Upanishads in total.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

65. Consider the following statements:

1. India will join Mineral Security Partnership (MSP), a US-led collaboration of 14 countries that aims to catalyse public and private investment in critical mineral supply chains globally.
2. The National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT) is an autonomous society under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
3. 'Upanishads' term implies the pupils, intent on learning, sitting near the teacher to acquire knowledge and truth.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

66. Consider the following statements:

1. More than 100 cows have died in Meghalaya due to Lumpy Skin Disease recently.
2. Auroras are caused by interaction of charged particles of solar wind with atoms in troposphere.
3. Pelagic Birds are seabirds that live on open seas and oceans.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

67. Consider the following statements:

1. Lumpy Skin Disease is a parasitic disease transmitted by vectors, such as mosquitoes, ticks and flies.
2. The usually observed green and red auroras happen between 100 km and 250 km above the surface of the planet.
3. Pelagic Birds have exceptionally long and thin wings that allow them to fly effortlessly for long periods without rest.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

68. Consider the following statements:

1. Currently, in India the goat pox vaccine and sheep pox virus vaccines are administered for LSD.
2. When CO₂ molecules about 90 km above Earth become excited during an aurora, they emit infrared radiation.
3. In general, seabirds have shorter lifespan than other wild birds.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

69. Consider the following statements:

1. NANDI portal has been recently launched by Department of Husbandry and Dairying.
2. World Competitiveness Index was recently released by World Trade Organisation.
3. Project Taara has been launched by Microsoft.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

70. Consider the following statements:

1. NANDI portal will streamline the regulatory approval process for veterinary products.

2. Singapore topped the World Competitiveness Index 2023.
3. Free Space Optical Communication (FSOC) refers to outdoor optical wireless communication (OWC), whereas short distance (largely indoors) OWC is called light Fidelity (LiFi).

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

71. Consider the following statements:

1. SUGAM is an online web portal where applicants can apply for NOCs, licenses, registration certificates, permissions & approvals.
2. India was ranked 40th in World Competitiveness Index.
3. LiFi uses light within Visible Light Spectrum to Invisible light spectrum to transmit data.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

72. The term "organic intellectual" refers to

- A. Intellectuals who help build mass awareness
- B. Agricultural specialists
- C. Food security specialists
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: A

73. Consider the following statements:

1. As per research in Tam Pa caves, modern humans arrived in this region between 86,000 and 68,000 years ago.
2. The 'Report of the Committee on Identification of Critical Minerals' has listed 13 critical minerals.
3. A Unicorn is privately held startup company with a value of over \$1 billion.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 2 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

74. Consider the following statements:

1. Tam Pa caves are located in Cambodia.
2. India is self-sufficient in most of the listed 30 critical minerals.
3. Cheetahs are Startups valued between \$500 million and US\$1bn.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

75. Consider the following statements:

1. Denisovan are the now-extinct human relatives otherwise known only from remains found in USA.
2. India has recently joined Mineral Security Partnership.
3. Gazelles are startups valued at \$250 million and likely to turn unicorn in five years.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

76. Consider the following statements:

1. Algal Bloom in California has recently killed number of Sealions.
2. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) recently approved the PM-PRANAM scheme.
3. 'State of Armaments, Disarmament and International Security' was recently released by UN Security Council.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

77. Consider the following statements:

1. Algal Bloom causes the production of a neurotoxin called domoic acid.
2. PM-PRANAM scheme aims to reduce the use of bio-fertilisers by incentivising the state.
3. As per 'State of Armaments, Disarmament and International Security' 2023, India has more nuclear weapons than Pakistan.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

78. Consider the following statements:

1. Sea-lions are not found in Indian Ocean.
2. PM PRANAM scheme will have a separate budget.
3. SIPRI is an independent international institute dedicated to research into conflict, armaments based in Seoul.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

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1. Presently the airports in Himachal Pradesh is/are located in-

- A. Bhuntar
- B. Gaggal
- C. Jubbarhati
- D. All of the above

ANSWER: D

2. Chanshal Peak is the highest peak in _____ district.

- A. Sirmaur
- B. Kinnaur
- C. Mandi
- D. Shimla

ANSWER: D

3. The length of proposed Bijli Mahadev ropeway is-

- A. 1.7 km
- B. 2.7 km
- C. 3.7 km
- D. 2.9 km

ANSWER: B

4. What is the rank of IIT Mandi in latest NIRF ranking under Engineering category?

- A. 33rd
- B. 17th
- C. 41st
- D. 18th

ANSWER: A

5. The Kamrunag lake and temple is located in-

- A. Mandi
- B. Shimla
- C. Kinnaur
- D. Kangra

ANSWER: A

6. The Government of Himachal Pradesh has signed an MoU with Which PSU for Green Hydrogen Production?

- A. Indian Oil Corp Ltd
- B. ONGC
- C. Oil India Ltd
- D. Bharat Petroleum

ANSWER: C

7. The Government of Himachal Pradesh has signed agreement with which Institution for SHIVA Project ?

- A. AIIB
- B. ADB

C. IMF

D. World Bank

ANSWER: B

8. 'Bal Satra' a special session for children 'Bal Satra' was organized at Himachal Pradesh Vidhan Sabha, Shimla. Which of the following has become the First Women Chief Minister in this Session?

- A. Sarita Sood
- B. Jahnvi
- C. Sonam Chauhan
- D. Ritika Thakur

ANSWER: B

9. The government of Himachal Pradesh has constituted the Chief Minister Council for Digital Governance. It will be Chaired by _____.

- A. Legislative Assembly Speaker
- B. Chief Minister
- C. Chief Justice of High Court
- D. Advocate General

ANSWER: B

10. Which Article of the Indian Constitution provides for the employer to give maternity benefits to his employees?

- A. Article 41
- B. Article 42
- C. Article 43
- D. Article 44

ANSWER: B

11. The Central Government had approved a national Centre of excellence for sports for Himachal to be set up at a cost of _____.

- A. Rs 50 crore to Rs 100 crore
- B. Rs 100 crore to Rs 150 crore
- C. Rs 150 crore to Rs 200 crore
- D. Rs 250 crore to Rs 300 crore

ANSWER: B

12. As per the Report released on World Elder Abuse Awareness Day, about _____ of the elderly women in Himachal Pradesh have been victims of physical violence.

- A. 56%
- B. 66%
- C. 76%
- D. 86%

ANSWER: B

13. The Himachal Pradesh Nurses Registration Act was come into effect in which year ?

- A. 1955
- B. 1968
- C. 1977
- D. 1988

ANSWER: C

14. Recently, Vibrant Village Programme of Himachal Pradesh Government has been launched. Consider the following statements regarding news

- 1. The 85 identified villages fall in Pooh and Kalpa blocks of Kinnaur and Kaza in Lahaul and Spiti district
- 2. The focus will be on strengthening road network and ensuring better connectivity under Vibrant Village Programme.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

15. The Pong dam is situated on _____ river, in _____ district.

- A. Beas, Kangra
- B. Parbati, Una
- C. Baspa, Chamba
- D. Beas, Bilaspur

ANSWER: A

16. Kareri lake is situated in-

- A. Una
- B. Hamirpur
- C. Kullu
- D. Kangra

ANSWER: D

17. Ashadh Nag Mela is celebrated in the district of-

- A. Una
- B. Bilaspur

- C. Chamba
- D. Lahaul Spiti

ANSWER: C

18. A new Milk Processing plant will be set up with the help of National Dairy Development Board in-

- A. Kangra
- B. Shimla
- C. Solan
- D. Una

ANSWER: A

19. Larji dam is built on which of the following rivers?

- A. Beas
- B. Ravi
- C. Satluj
- D. none of the above

ANSWER: A

20. The theme for International Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Day 2023 is

- A. Msmes- The Way forward
- B. Building a Stronger Future Together
- C. Sustainable and Participatory Development
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: B

21. Haroli Bulk Drug park is an upcoming project in the district of-

- A. Hamirpur
- B. Kangra
- C. Shimla
- D. Una

ANSWER: D

22. Which of the following small hydro power projects are to be transferred to Himachal Pradesh Power Corporation ltd?

- A. Sai kothi i
- B. Sai kothi ii
- C. Hail
- D. All of the above

ANSWER: D



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