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POLITY

1. Justice Siddharth Mridul was recently appointed as the chief justice of -

- A. Madras High Court
- B. Kolkata High Court
- C. Punjab High Court
- D. Manipur High Court

ANSWER: D

2. 'Mission Mahila Sarathi' initiative has been started by-

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Madhya Pradesh
- C. Himachal Pradesh
- D. Rajasthan

ANSWER: A

ECONOMY

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Project Mariana has successfully tested the cross-border settlement capabilities of wholesale central bank digital currencies between three major global markets.
2. These included the countries of Singapore, Switzerland and Germany.

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

2. Consider the following statements:

1. The base year of Index of Industrial Production is 2015-16.
2. In Index of Eight Core Industries, the minimum weightage is of cement sector.

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:

1. The first International Energy Agency Critical Minerals and Clean Energy Summit held at The Hague, Netherlands.

2. International Energy Agency is an autonomous inter-governmental organisation within the World Trade Organisation.

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

4. The Guaranteed Pension System Bill-2023 has been passed by which state assembly?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Arunachal Pradesh
- C. Tripura
- D. Assam

ANSWER: A

5. Consider the following statements:

1. National Investment and Infrastructure Fund has collaborated with World Bank to unveil a \$600 million India-Japan Fund.
2. NIIF was set up as Category II Alternative Investment Fund.

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. Yak Churpi has recently received the GI tag from-

- A. Arunachal Pradesh
- B. Ladakh
- C. Sikkim
- D. Uttrakhand

ANSWER: A

7. PR-126 and PUSA-44, seen recently in news, are varieties of-

- A. Tea
- B. Paddy
- C. Wheat
- D. BT- Cotton

ANSWER: B

8. Udangudi 'Panangkarupatti' has received GI tag from-

- A. Kerala
- B. Karnataka
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Tamil Nadu

ANSWER: D

9. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Goan cashew, which received GI tag recently, is native to Portugal.
- 2. It occupies largest area among horticultural crops in Goa.

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

10. CMOS Sensor based Camera for Industrial Application, Thermal sensor Camera for Intelligent Transportation System-(TvITS) and Online Sucro Crystal Imaging System (OSIS) technologies are launched by-

- A. Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
- B. Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- C. Indian Space Research Organisation
- D. Ministry of Science and Technology

ANSWER: B

11. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Dhordo village is located in the Great Rann of Kutch.
- 2. United Nations World Tourism Organisation headquarters are located in Geneva.

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

12. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Attar is distilled extracts of flowers and herbs in a base of sandalwood oil.
- 2. Kannauj attar is made using the heirloom hydrodistillation process using alcohol and artificial preservatives.

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

13. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Kasturi Cotton Bharat is a joint initiative by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare, the Cotton Corporation of India (CCI), and trade and industry bodies.
- 2. Kasturi Cotton Bharat is the first ever Brand & Logo for Indian Cotton.

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

14. Consider the following statements:

- 1. National Cooperative for Exports Limited was registered under the Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act, 2002.
- 2. There are about 80 lakh cooperative societies in the country with over 92 crore members.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. The country's first Nano Di-Ammonia Phosphate (DAP) plant by IFFCO in Rajasthan.
2. DAP is the second most consumed fertilizer in the country after urea.

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

16. Jamrani Dam Multipurpose Project is located in-

- A. Himachal Pradesh
- B. Ladakh
- C. Sikkim
- D. Uttarakhand

ANSWER: D

17. Which state has become first state in India to have hallmarking centers in all districts?

- A. Kerala
- B. Gujarat
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Maharashtra

ANSWER: A

GEOGRAPHY

1. Sela Pass is located in the state of-

- A. Assam
- B. Arunachal Pradesh
- C. Sikkim
- D. Uttarakhand

ANSWER: B

2. Consider the following statements:

1. 'Pontus', seen in news recently, is a rediscovered tectonic plate.
2. 'Pontus' has been rediscovered 20 million years after disappearing.

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. Mount Vesuvius is located in southern Greece near the coastal city of Athens.
2. Vesuvius is the only active volcano in mainland Europe.

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

4. Cyclone 'Tej' originated in in Arabian Sea. The name of the cyclone was given by which country?

- A. Sri Lanka
- B. Bangladesh
- C. India
- D. Myanmar

ANSWER: C

5. Consider the following statements:

1. Earthquake Swarm is a series of many high magnitude earthquakes with a noticeable main shock.
2. Iceland is a seismic and volcanic hot spot located at converging Eurasian and the North American tectonic plates.

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. Allah Baksh, who had illustrated the Mahabharata with 4,000 miniature paintings, belonged to Mewar school of miniature painting.
2. This school flourished from the 17th to the 18th century.

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. The Hakki Pikkis are traditionally a semi-nomadic tribe of bird catchers and hunters mainly found in Kerala.
2. Their mother tongue is a Dravidian dialect called 'Vaagri' and is listed as one of the endangered languages by UNESCO.

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:

1. Parvati Kund is believed to be the site where Lord Shiva and Goddess Parvati meditated.
2. Jageshwar group of temples was primarily constructed and restored by the Kakatiya dynasty.

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. Kati Bihu is celebrated in the state of-

- A. Assam
- B. Tamil Nadu
- C. Kerala
- D. Andhra Pradesh

ANSWER: A

5. Consider the following statements:

1. Muthuvan tribe is found in Eastern ghats of Odisha.
2. Muthuvan are animists and spirit worshippers and also worship the forest gods.

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 about Meri Maati, Mera Desh campaign:

1. The Indian Air Force will operate special trains to **transport volunteers carrying mitti (soil) from State capitals and other major stations** across the country to reach New Delhi.
2. It is being organised by the **Ministry of Tourism**.

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 about Mehrauli Archaeological Park:

1. **Lieutenant governor VK Saxena** inaugurated six renovated monuments in **Mehrauli Archaeological Park in Delhi**.
2. **It is spread over 200 acres and is adjacent to Red Fort, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.**

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. Vajra mushti kalaga is a form of Yoga that has gone extinct.

2. It was popular during the period of the Vijayanagar rulers who reigned between the 14th and the 17th centuries.

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

9. Consider the following statements:

1. The traditional Banni festival is celebrated at Devaragattu in Kurnool district in Andhra Pradesh.
2. It marks victory of Lord Mala Malleswara Swamy and Goddess Parvati over demonish Mani and Mallasura.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. Panamalai paintings are 1,300-year-old paintings at Talagirishwara temple in Tamil nadu.
2. The temple was constructed by Pallava king Narasimhavarman II.

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

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Robotic Process Automation uses intelligent automation technologies to perform repetitive office tasks of human workers.
2. The Future Skill PRIME Project is funded by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.

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. Thallium is a soft, heavy and inelastic non-metal.
2. It is found in trace amounts in the earth's crust.
3. It is often referred to as the "poison of poisons".
4. Thallium is very easily detected.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
B. 2, 3 & 4 only
C. 1, 3 & 4 only
D. 1 & 3 only

ANSWER: B

3. _____ is the study and application of electronic devices and systems that source , detect and control light.

- A. Optoelectronics
B. Voltphotoelectronics
C. Illumino-electronics
D. None of the above

ANSWER: A

4. Consider the following statements:

1. DANGER (Deleterious and ANticipatable Guides Evaluated by RNA-sequencing) analysis provides a way for the safer design of genome editing.
2. CRISPR-Cas9 is a well-known gene editing technology.

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. SIM cards can store information about its own ID number, the subscriber’s location area identity and even subscriber’s contacts and SMS messages.
2. SIM cards are designed according to the ISO/IEC 7816 international standards.

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

6. **Dark Patterns Buster Hackathon 2023, was recently launched by-**

- A. Ministry of Defence

- B. Ministry of Science and Technology
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. Ministry of Consumer Affairs

ANSWER: D

7. Consider the following statements:

1. City Science and technology clusters initiative is a flagship initiative of NITI Aayog.
2. Currently S&T clusters have been formulated in all the major metropolitan cities of the country.

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

DEFENSE

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Project Udbhav is an initiative of Indian Army.
2. It aims at modernizing and indigenizing defence technology by involvement of MSMEs.

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 British Indian government established the Indian Army Nursing Services (IANS) in the year 1888.
2. It is an all-women services in the Armed Forces.

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. SAMPRITI is an annual joint military exercise between India and Bhutan.
2. The 11th edition of SAMPRITI was recently held in Umroi, Meghalaya.

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. Territorial Army is an arm of the Indian Army, established under TA Act 1948.
2. It enables young citizens to serve in a military environment without leaving primary professions.

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. The Annual Joint HADR Exercise Chakravat is hosted by Indian Army in 2023.
2. It has been conducted by Indian Army, Indian Navy and Indian Air Force in rotation since 2016.

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. The 'Iron Dome' is air -to-air short-range air defence system which intercepts incoming missiles, rockets and even Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs).
2. It has a range of close to 70 km and has a 90% success rate.

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

7. Operation _____ has been launched to help Indians, stuck in Israel, to return home.

- A. Vijay
- B. Ajay
- C. Yamuna
- D. Ganga

ANSWER: B

8. Consider the following statements:

1. David's Sling is a state-of-the-art anti-missile defense system of Israel.
2. It has been developed jointly by Boeing Weapons Ltd. and Lockheed Martin.

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

9. Consider the following statements:

1. Jus in bello refers to the conditions under which States may resort to war or to the use of armed force in general.
2. Jus ad bellum is the law that governs the way in which warfare is conducted.

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. Iron Beam air defence system uses laser to destroy targets.
2. It has been service since 2014.
3. The Iron Beam is smaller and lighter but costlier than Iron Dome.
4. It requires a direct line of sight between the system and its target.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: D

11. Consider the following statements about MILAN Exercise:

1. **Multilateral Naval Exercise 2024**, to be hosted by the Indian Air Force at **Visakhapatnam**.
2. MILAN is a biennial multilateral naval exercise, which was incepted by the **Indian Navy in 1995**.
3. MILAN 2024 is likely to witness the largest-ever participation to date with invites being extended to over 50 countries.
4. **The Mid Planning Conference (MPC) of MILAN 2024**, was conducted by the **Western Naval Command**.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 3 only

ANSWER: B

12. Consider the following statements:

1. Project Udbhav aims at integration of India's "ancient strategic acumen" into the contemporary military domain.
2. It is a collaboration between the Navy and the United Service Institution of 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

13. "Exercise Harimau Shakti 2023" is a joint bilateral training exercise between armies of India and _____

- A. Japan
- B. Indonesia
- C. Philippines
- D. Malaysia

ANSWER: D

14. Consider the following statements:

1. Meteor Missile is a subsonic active radar-guided beyond-visual-range air-to-air missile.
2. It is manufactured by Lockheed Martin.

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

15. Consider the following statements:

1. Exercise Kazind 2023 is being conducted in Umroi, Meghalaya.
2. The exercise began as "Exercise PRABAL DOSTYK" in 2016.

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

SPACE

1. Consider the following statements:

1. The CALIPSO mission aimed at finding possibilities of extraterrestrial life in Milky Way galaxy.
2. It was launched jointly by NASA and France's CNES (Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales).

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

2. The theme for World Space Week (WSW) 2023 is Space and Entrepreneurship

- A. Space for humanity
- B. Space and Entrepreneurship
- C. Space and connectivity
- D. Space and Entertainment

ANSWER: B

3. Consider the following statements:

1. Psyche spacecraft was launched recently to an asteroid situated in the Kuiper Belt.
2. It has been launched by NASA.

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. The term Ejecta Halo is associated with-

- A. Formation of 360° rainbow
- B. Moon dust
- C. Cirrus clouds
- D. Solar flares

ANSWER: B

ENVIRONMENT

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Pink Bollworm is considered possibly the most destructive pest on rice worldwide.
2. It is now recorded in nearly all the rice-growing countries of the world.

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

2. Armageddon Reedtail, discovered recently in Kerala, is a species of-

- A. Fish
- B. Damselfly
- C. Frog
- D. Crab

ANSWER: B

16. Consider the following statements:

1. Badis limaakumi, discovered recently, is a species of spider.
2. It has been discovered from Nagaland.

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. Operation "Kachchhap" seen recently in news was conducted by-

- A. Central Bureau of Investigation
- B. Central Board of Direct Taxation
- C. Wildlife Crime Control Bureau
- D. Directorate of Revenue Intelligence

ANSWER: D

4. Consider the following statements:

1. Coral Reef Breakthrough was launched by International Coral Reef Initiative in partnership

with the Global Fund for Coral Reefs and the High-Level Climate Champions.

2. The Coral Reef Breakthrough aims to secure the future of at least 125,000 km² of shallow-water tropical coral reefs

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. Staghorn coral can form dense clusters called "thickets" in shallow waters which is essential habitat for various reef creatures.
2. Their IUCN red list status 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: C

6. Consider the following statements:

1. A Glacial Lake Outburst Flood is a type of flood occurring when water dammed by a glacier or a moraine is released suddenly.
2. South Lhonak Lake is a glacial-moraine-dammed lake located in Arunachal Pradesh.

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:

1. 'Graded Response Action Plan' is implemented in Delhi-NCR to combat air pollution during the winter season.

2. The Commission for Air Quality Management is a statutory body responsible for proactively implementing GRAP.

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

8. Consider the following statements:

1. Children Displaced in a Changing Climate report was recently released by International Organization for Migration.
2. As per the report, 53% of the children displaced in six years, were in three countries – Philippines, India and China.

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:

1. Watermeal is the world's smallest flowering plant.
2. It is rootless, stemless plant that typically floats on the surface of water bodies.

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. The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) lists reticulated python as-

- A. Least concern
- B. Near threatened
- C. Vulnerable
- D. Endangered

ANSWER: A

11. Consider the following statements:

1. The dancing frogs are the most threatened amphibian genus of India.

2. They are endemic to Western Ghats.

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

12. Consider the following statements:

1. Indian Agricultural Research Institute has joined the One CGIAR integrated partnership.
2. The CGIAR (Consortium of International Agricultural Research Centers) is a publicly-funded network of agrifood systems research centers.

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

13. Consider the following statements:

1. Petroleum coke or pet coke is a carbon-rich solid material derived from oil refining.
2. It is low in calorific value and hard to transport and store.

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

14. Consider the following statements:

1. Bufoides bhupathyi is a recently discovered species of catfish from Dampa Tiger Reserve.
2. Dampa Tiger Reserve is located in Manipur.

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

15. Consider the following statements about Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary:

1. Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary is located on the southern bank of the river Narmada.
2. It was declared a reserve forest in 1971 and a wildlife sanctuary in 1987.

Which of the above statements is/ are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

16. Consider the following statements:

1. Anamalai Tiger Reserve is carved out of the Kerala portion of the Anamalais.

2. It lies South of the Palakkad gap in the Southern Western Ghats.
3. Western Ghats are considered as one of eight "hottest hot spots".
4. The total area of the Tiger Reserve is 9580.59 sq.km.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: B

PLACE NEWS

1. Which of the following are border crossings into Gaza strip?

- A. Rafah
- B. Erez
- C. Kerem Shalom
- D. All of the above

ANSWER: D

INTERNATIONAL

1. The _____ Convention is a global treaty that guarantees the rights of lessors to repossess leased high-value equipment such as aircraft, engines, and helicopters in case of payment defaults.

- A. Alaska
- B. Brasillia
- C. Capetown
- D. Delhi

ANSWER: C

2. Consider the following statements:

1. India has been elected president of the Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development General Conference for the third successive term.
2. Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development secretariat is situated in Bangkok.

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:

1. The UN Human Rights Council's 50 members are allocated by region based on equitable geographical distribution.
2. All regions have equal number of seats.

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

4. Consider the following statements:

1. Inter Parliamentary Union has headquarters at Geneva, Switzerland.
2. It is financed primarily by its members out of public funds.

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. With which of the following countries, does India not have a 2+2 dialogue?

- A. USA
- B. Germany
- C. Japan
- D. Russia

ANSWER: B

6. Consider the following statements:

- 1. According to Montreux Convention, Turkey has control over the Turkish Straits.
- 2. Turkish Straits or the Black Sea Straits includes Magellan Strait and Dardanelles strait.

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. Which of the following basins is not considered under The Summit of the Three Basins?

- A. Colorado Basin
- B. Amazon Basin
- C. Congo Basin
- D. Borneo-Mekong Basin

ANSWER: A

8. Robert Fico has been appointed Prime Minister of-

- A. Slovenia
- B. Serbia
- C. Slovakia
- D. Serbia

ANSWER: C

9. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Competition Commission of India has become a member of the steering group of the International Competition Network for the first time.
- 2. The ICN comprises 140 competition agencies from 130 countries.

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. Consider the following statements:

- 1. ILO was established in 1919 by the Treaty of Versailles as an affiliated agency of the League of Nations.
- 2. India joined International Labour Organization after independence in 1947.

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

DAYS TO REMEMBER

1. World Nature Day is observed on-

- A. October 1st
- B. October 2nd
- C. October 3rd
- D. October 4th

ANSWER: C

2. The Guaranteed Pension System Bill-2023 has been passed by which state assembly?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Arunachal Pradesh

- C. Tripura
- D. Assam

ANSWER: A

3. The theme for World Animal Day 2023 is-

- A. All animals lives matter
- B. Animals have rights
- C. Big or small, we love them all
- D. For an equal partnership for Earth

ANSWER: C

4. World Cotton Day is annually celebrated on-

- A. October 6th
- B. October 7th
- C. October 8th
- D. October 9th

ANSWER: B

5. World Post Day is celebrated each year on-

- A. October 9th
- B. October 10th
- C. October 11th
- D. October 12th

ANSWER: A

6. The theme of International Day of the Girl 2023 is-

- A. Gender Equality: The Only Way Forward.
- B. Invest in Girls' Rights: Our Leadership, Our Well-being.
- C. Save Our Daughters- Save Our Future
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: B

7. The World Mental Health Day is observed on _____ every year.

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

ANSWER: A

8. International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction is observed annually on -

- A. October 11th
- B. October 12th
- C. October 13th
- D. October 14th

ANSWER: C

9. Consider the following statements:

- 1. World Students Day is celebrated annually on October 15th.
- 2. It is celebrated on the birth anniversary of Albert Einstein.

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

10. World Food Day is annually observed on-

- A. October 13th
- B. October 14th
- C. October 15th
- D. October 16th

ANSWER: D

11. The Indian government has issued notification to designate _____ as National Space Day.

- A. August 23rd
- B. September 23rd
- C. October 23rd
- D. November 23rd

ANSWER: A

12. International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is celebrated every year on-

- A. October 15th
- B. October 16th
- C. October 17th
- D. October 18th

ANSWER: C

13. World Trauma Day is observed every year on

- A. October 15th
- B. October 16th
- C. October 17th
- D. October 18th

ANSWER: C

14. World Osteoporosis Day is observed on October 20th. Osteoporosis is a disease of-

- A. Eyes
- B. Bones
- C. Liver
- D. Oesophagus/food pipe

ANSWER: B

15. World Statistics Day is celebrated every year on-

- A. October 16th
- B. October 18th
- C. October 19th
- D. October 20th

ANSWER: D

16. International Chefs Day theme for 2023 was-

- A. 'Food For Life'
- B. 'Growing A Healthy Future'
- C. 'Eat Better Stay Healthy'
- D. 'Food Is The Best Medicine'

ANSWER: B

17. United Nations Day is annually celebrated on -

- A. October 21st

- B. October 22nd
- C. October 23rd
- D. October 24th

ANSWER: D

18. World Development Information Day is celebrated annually on-

- A. October 22nd
- B. October 23rd
- C. October 24th
- D. October 25th

ANSWER: C

19. Consider the following statements:

1. World Polio Day is observed on 24th October each year.
2. The theme for World Polio Day 2023 is "A healthier future for mothers and children."
3. Currently Polio remains consistently present in just two countries – Iraq and Pakistan.
4. Poliovirus doesn't spread from person to person.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: A

20. The World Day for Audiovisual Heritage is observed on-

- A. October 24th
- B. October 25th
- C. October 26th
- D. October 27th

ANSWER: D

21. Consider the following statements:

1. World Stroke Day is celebrated annually on October 29th.
2. Its theme this year was 'Stop the Stroke'.

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

22. World Cities Day is celebrated annually on -

- A. October 28th
- B. October 29th
- C. October 30th
- D. October 31st

ANSWER: D

PERSON NEWS

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Shyamji Krishna Varma founded the Indian Home Rule Society, India House and The Indian Sociologist in London.
2. He inspired Veer Savarkar who was a member of India House in London.

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: D

2. Consider the following statements:

1. Dr. Homi Jehangir Bhabha was a noble prize winning chemist from India.

2. He was also awarded with Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian award.

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. Norman Peterson Pritchard is known as-

- A. Famous author
- B. India's first olympic medallist
- C. Director of movie 'gandhi'
- D. Youngest ever chess grandmaster

ANSWER: B

INDEX AND REPORTS

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Trade and Development Report 2023 has been published by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.
2. Headquarters of UNCTAD are located in Paris, France.

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. Global Survey Report on Persons with Disabilities and Disasters 2023 was recently released by UNICEF.
2. Persons with disabilities make up about 16% of the world's population.

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. 'International Migration Outlook 2023' was recently released by International Organization for Migration.
2. As per report, India saw the second highest migration flows to OECD countries in 2021 and 2022, after China.

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

4. Consider the following statements:

1. The report 'Interconnected Disaster Risks Report 2023' was recently published by United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction.
2. It reported that India is close to reaching its groundwater depletion tipping point.

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 taken over as Director General (DG) of the Border Roads Organisation (BRO)?

- A. Lt Gen Taranveer Singh
- B. Lt Gen Rajeev Chaudhry
- C. Lt Gen Pushp Gujral
- D. Lt Gen Raghu Srinivasan

ANSWER: D

2. Who appointed as India's next Ambassador/Permanent Representative to the United Nations?

- A. Arundhati Ghosh
- B. Animesh Tripathi
- C. Arindam Bagchi
- D. Indra Mani Pandey

ANSWER: C

3. President Droupadi Murmu has appointed Raghubar Das and Indra Sena Reddy Nallu as

the Governors of which of the following states respectively?

- A. Assam, Odisha
- B. Odisha, Sikkim
- C. Odisha, Kerala
- D. Odisha, Tripura

ANSWER: D

4. Who has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC)?

- A. Anshika Singh
- B. Sanjay Kumar Jain
- C. Gitanjali Rao
- D. Vinai Saxena

ANSWER: B

POLICY AND PROGRAMME

1.

2. Consider the following statements:

1. Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) has been extended for release of 75 lakh LPG connections over three years till 2025-26.
2. The nodal ministry for PMUY is Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

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:

1. Payments Infrastructure Development Fund (PIDF) Scheme has been extended till 2030.
2. It aims at incentivising the deployment of payment acceptance infrastructure such as physical Point of Sale (PoS), Quick Response (QR) codes 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. Consider the following statements:

1. 'A-HELP' program aims to empower women by engaging them as Accredited Agent in veterinary sector.
2. Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying and National Rural Livelihoods Mission have joined hands to run this program.

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 1 million certifications of Passport to Earning (P2E) programme were achieved.

2. About 62% of all young learners who benefitted from P2E courses in India are adolescent girls and young women.

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

6. Consider the following statements:

1. DoNER Data Analytics Dashboard and Poorvottar Sampark Setu portal were launched recently by Ministry of Home Affairs.
2. These portals are focused on preventing terrorism in North East Region.

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. Supreme Court ruled that Right to information will be treated as a fundamental right in Minerva Mills Case.
2. The right to information is a fundamental right under Article 21 of the Indian Constitution.

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. PM Gati Shakti program was launched in 2021, with the goal of achieving self-reliance and a \$5 trillion economy by 2025.
2. The government has evaluated more than 300 central and state projects worth ₹11.58 lakh crore in two years.

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:

1. International Institute for Population Sciences serves as a regional centre for Training and Research in Population Studies for the ESCAP region.
2. It is an autonomous organization of the Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation.

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. 'Operation Chakra-2' was recently launched by-

- A. Central Pollution Control Board
- B. Enforcement Directorate
- C. Wildlife Crime Control Bureau
- D. Central Bureau of Investigation

ANSWER: D

11. Consider the following statements:

1. Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhuyday Yojana aims to reduce poverty of the SC communities by generation of additional employment opportunities
2. It is a merged scheme of 3 Central Sector Schemes.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. Aadi Mahotsav, the National Tribal Festival, for 2023 is being held in Gadchiroli.
2. It is being organized by the Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Limited (TRIFED).

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

13. Consider the following statements:

1. PRAGATI stands for Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation.
2. It is a three-tier system of -Union govt. Secretaries, Chief Secretaries of the States and Local Government representatives.
3. It is an Information and Communication Technology Platform that remains under the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.
4. It seeks to bridge the inter-departmental gaps between various government bodies and to reduce the time for project implementation.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: D

SOCIAL EDUCATION HEALTH

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Protein binders are biological research reagents which bind to a specific target protein to manufacture a wide range of new food products.
2. FSSAI recently directed that adding ingredients such as protein binders and emulsifiers in milk and milk products is compulsory.

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. In Hemochromatosis, the health of affected individuals is threatened due to overload of chromium in organs.
2. Hemochromatosis has been dubbed "bronze diabetes" because of the skin darkening and concomitant pancreatic illness.

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. India is the third country to report the occurrence of tilapia parvovirus (TiPV).
2. Tilapia fish, called Jilabi in Tamil, is a brackish water fish.

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

4. Consider the following statements:

1. 'Ayushman Bhav' campaign is an initiative by the Ministry of AYUSH.
2. It aims to popularize traditional medicine systems in India and 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: D

5. Consider the following statements:

1. Lao People's Democratic Republic has eliminated lymphatic filariasis disease.
2. It is the first country to do so.
3. LF, also known as elephantiasis, is a preventable infectious disease transmitted by sand-fly.
4. WHO recommends the triple therapy combination of ivermectin, diethylcarbamazine, and albendazole for mass drug administration against LF.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 4 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 3 only

ANSWER: A

6. Consider the following statements:

1. Niemann Pick disease is a rare genetic disorder that affects the body's ability to metabolise cholesterol and other fats.
2. It is a lysosomal storage disease caused by acid sphingomyelinase deficiency.

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. The WHO target of 25 X 25 initiative covers four Non Communicable diseases. Which of the following is not included?

- A. Cancer
- B. Cardiovascular disease
- C. Chronic respiratory diseases
- D. Chronic kidney disease

ANSWER: D

SPROTS

1. The country's first high-tech sports training centre for Divyangjan has been inaugurated in-

- A. Ahmadabad
- B. Gwalior
- C. Haridwar
- D. Bengaluru

ANSWER: B

2. Consider the following statements:

1. The 20th Asian Games will be held in Malaysia in 2026.
2. India hosted the first and ninth edition in 1951 and 1982.

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. Raunak Sadhwani has recently won the FIDE World Junior Rapid Chess Championship.
- 2. FIDE or International Chess Federation headquarters are located in Moscow, Russia.

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. Who are the flag bearers of India in 4th Asian Para Games 2023?

- A. Lovlina Borgohain and Amit Saroha
- B. P.V Sindhu and Parul Parmar

- C. Amit Saroha and P.V Sindhu
- D. Parul Parmar and Amit Saroha

ANSWER: D

5. Which of the following has become the fastest batsman to reach 2,000 runs in ODI Cricket?

- A. Virat Kohli
- B. Shubman Gill
- C. Rohit Sharma
- D. Jasprit Bumrah

ANSWER: B

6. The 37th edition of the National Games are being held in-

- A. Goa
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Haryana
- D. Kerala

ANSWER: A

AWARDS

1. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Kongthong village has been awarded the 'Best Tourism Village (Bronze)' at the National Tourism Awards 2023.
- 2. It is located in Manipur.

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

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

ANSWER: B

3. Nobel Peace Prize 2023 has been awarded to-

- A. Shirin Ebadi
- B. Mounqi Bawendi
- C. Narges Mohammadi
- D. Katalin Kariko

ANSWER: C

4. The 2023 Nobel Economics Prize has been awarded to-

- A. Anne L’Huillier
- B. Katalin Karikó
- C. Claudia Goldin
- D. Narges Mohammadi

ANSWER: C

2. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Nobel Prize for Literature 2023 has been awarded to Jon Olav Fosse.
- 2. He is a renowned play writer from Denmark but writes in English language.

Which of the following statements is/ are incorrect?

- A. 1 only

MISCELLANEOUS QUESTION

1. Consider the following statements:

1. UN Convention against Transnational Organised Crime entered into force in 2003.
2. India is a founding member of the Asian Development Bank.
3. Intelligent Grievance Monitoring System (IGMS) 2.0 was recently launched by NITI Aayog.

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

2. Consider the following statements:

1. National Investigation Agency is the national Nodal Authority to receive and respond for transnational crimes.
2. Asian Development Bank headquarters are located Manila, Philippines.
3. IGMS 2.0 Dashboard has been implemented by IIT Delhi and DARPG.

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

3. Consider the following statements:

1. The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) is the custodian of the UNTOC.
2. India is among the top 5 shareholders of Asian Development Bank.
3. Centralised Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS) is a single portal connected to all the Ministries/Departments of Government of India and States.

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: D

4. Consider the following statements:

1. Pygmy Hog is the smallest of wild pigs on earth.
2. Financial Stability Board was established in April 2009 after the London G7 Summit.
3. Ruixiang Zhang will be awarded with the 2023 SASTRA Ramanujan Prize.

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

5. Consider the following statements:

1. The IUCN red list status of Pygmy Hog is 'Endangered'.
2. Financial Stability Board is headquartered at New York, USA.
3. SASTRA Ramanujan Prize is given to a mathematician under the age of 32.

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

6. Consider the following statements:

1. Manas National Park is located in Assam and is contiguous with the Royal Manas National Park in Bhutan.
2. Financial Stability Board decisions are legally binding on its members.
3. SASTRA Ramanujan Prize is given by Government of India.

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

7. Consider the following statements:

1. PM recently announced the setting up of a Central Tribal University in Mulugu district in West Bengal.
2. International Criminal Court is governed by 'The Rome Statute'.
3. Pierre Agostini, Ferenc Krausz and Anne L'Huillier have won this years' Nobel Prize in Chemistry.

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

8. Consider the following statements:

1. Sammakka and Sarakka opposed the Kakatiya kings who forced the tribes to pay taxes.
2. International Criminal Court headquarters are located in Paris.
3. Nobel Prize in Physics for this year is given for research in attosecond pulses of light.

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

9. Consider the following statements:

1. Sammakka Sarakka Jatara or Medaram Jatara is held biannually.
2. India is party to Rome Statute and International Criminal Court.
3. Attosecond physics allows scientists to look at the very smallest particles at the very large timescales.

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

10. Consider the following statements:

1. The 2023 Nobel Prize in Physics has been awarded to Katalin Karikó and Drew Weissman.

2. Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India was established in 2016 under Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code.
3. The R21/Matrix-M measles vaccine has been developed by the University of Oxford and the Serum Institute of India.

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

11. Consider the following statements:

1. The mRNA vaccine does not expose individuals to the virus itself.
2. The term of office of the Chairperson and members of IBBI is five years or until they attain sixty years.
3. To date the R21/Matrix-M malaria vaccine has been licensed for use in Ghana, Nigeria and Burkina Faso.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

12. Consider the following statements:

1. mRNA vaccines need to be frozen from -90 degree Celsius to -50 degree Celsius temperature.
2. The IBBI regulates insolvency professionals as well as processes.
3. Malaria is caused by Plasmodium parasites and spread to people through bites of infected female Anopheles mosquitoes.

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

13. Consider the following statements:

1. PM SVANidhi scheme, achieved its target of reaching 5 crore beneficiaries.
2. India is presently the world's largest producer of Turmeric.
3. Nobel Prize in chemistry 2023 was awarded to Mounji G. Bawendi, Louis E. Brus and Alexei I. Ekimov for the discovery and synthesis of quantum dots.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: C

14. Consider the following statements:

1. PM SVANidhi provides urban street vendors with collateral-free working capital loans up to Rs 1 lac.
2. The largest producing states of Turmeric are Maharashtra, Telangana, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.
3. Quantum dots are semiconductor particles a few nanometres in size, having optical and electronic properties that differ from those of larger particles.

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

15. Consider the following statements:

1. PM SVANidhi scheme is a Central Sector Scheme under Ministry of Finance.
2. Turmeric needs tropical conditions for growth with annual rainfall of 150 mm or more.
3. Nanoscale-sized quantum dots are also used to map biological tissues by biochemists.

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

16. Consider the following statements:

1. Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) is the world's largest regional security organization.
2. Global Infrastructure Resilience: Capturing the Resilience Dividend report was released by United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction.
3. The foundation stone of 'Veerangana Rani Durgavati Smarak aur Udyaan' was laid in Indore.

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

17. Consider the following statements:

1. Nagorno-Karabakh is an enclave of Azerbaijan located legally in Armenia.
2. Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI) is the India's second major global climate change initiative after the International Solar Alliance.
3. Rani Durgavati was the ruling queen of Gondwana in the mid-16th century.

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: C

18. Consider the following statements:

1. OSCE Minsk group spearheads the OSCE's efforts to find peaceful solution to the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict.
2. The Secretariat of Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI) is located in Mumbai.
3. Rani Durgavati defeated Bajbahadur, the ruler of Malwa.

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

19. Consider the following statements:

1. Sympatric refers to animals, plant species, and populations within the same or overlapping geographical areas.
2. The Sustainable Finance: Bridging the Gap in Asia and the Pacific report was released recently by World Bank.
3. Kolleru Lake is India's largest freshwater lake ecosystem.

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

20. Consider the following statements:

1. Dhole or Asiatic wild dog operate in packs of 5-10 individuals.
2. As per The Sustainable Finance report, only 17 of the 51 Asia-Pacific countries party to the UNFCCC have assessed and reported their financial needs.
3. Kolleru Lake is part of the Montreux Record along with Loktak Lake.

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

21. Consider the following statements:

1. IUCN red list status of Dhole or Asiatic wild dog is Critically Endangered.
2. UNESCAP headquarters are located in Kuala Lumpur.
3. Kolleru lake lies between the Mahanadi and Godavari deltas.

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. Vote of the Central Government in GST Council has a weightage of two-third of the total votes.
2. Yom Kippur or Ramadan War was fourth Arab-Israel war fought in 1973.
3. National Mission on Interdisciplinary Cyber-Physical Systems (NM-ICPS) is implemented by NITI Aayog.

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

23. Consider the following statements:

1. Maximum age for GST Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT) president has been fixed at 70 years.
2. Hamas is a militant organization that politically controls West Bank.
3. 25 Technology Innovation Hubs (TIHs) have been established under NMICPS.

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

24. Consider the following statements:

1. GST Council is a constitutional body under Article 279A.
2. Balfour Declaration was issued by British government in 1947.
3. National Mission on Interdisciplinary Cyber-Physical Systems (NM-ICPS) was launched in 2014.

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

25. Consider the following statements:

1. Tanzania has recently approved of joining the International Big Cat Alliance.
2. The Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) is released by National Sample Survey Office.
3. SHRESHTA scheme launched recently aims to provide residential education to meritorious students from scheduled castes.

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

26. Consider the following statements:

1. India is home to all seven big cat species.
2. Labour Force Participation Rate is the %age of persons in the labour force to the population.
3. SHRESHTA scheme has been launched by Ministry of Education.

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

27. Consider the following statements:

1. The IUCN status of Asiatic Lion is critically endangered.
2. Worker Population Ratio is defined as the percentage of employed persons in the population.
3. SHRESHTA scheme will choose about 300,000 deserving SC children and grant them admission to the top private residential schools in the nation.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: A

28. Consider the following statements:

1. Nanaji Deshmukh was a Sangh Parivar veteran and founder member of the Janata Party.
2. International Council of Archives Congress 2023 is being held in Abu Dhabi under the theme "Enriching Knowledge Societies"
3. Migratory birds have started their annual journey to Chilika lake ahead of winter this year.

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

29. Consider the following statements:

1. Nanaji Deshmukh was an active participant of the Bhoodan Movement launched by Acharya Vinoba Bhave.
2. International Council on Archives is a neutral non-governmental organization.
3. Chilika lake is a fresh water lake and a shallow lagoon with estuarine character.

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

30. Consider the following statements:

1. Nanaji established Chitrakoot Gramodya Vishwavidyalaya, India's first rural university and also served as its first Chancellor.
2. International Council on Archives secretariat is located in Rome, Italy.
3. Chilika lake was the first Indian wetland of international importance under the Ramsar Convention in 1981.

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: C

31. Consider the following statements:

1. The Global Hunger Index 2023 is released by Food and Agriculture Organization.
2. Israel has recently used white phosphorus munitions in military operations in Gaza and Lebanon.
3. National Survey Network of the Continuously Operating Reference Stations is available 24X7 throughout the year.

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

32. Consider the following statements:

1. India was ranked 111th of 125 countries in the Global Hunger Index (GHI) 2023.
2. White phosphorus spontaneously catches fire in air when it comes into contact with oxygen.
3. The Survey of India has set up more than 1,000 CORS stations across India.

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

33. Consider the following statements:

1. Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, and Sri Lanka fared better than India in Global Hunger Index (GHI) 2023.
2. Use of white phosphorus weapons in civilian areas is considered a war crime.
3. Continuously Operating Reference Stations Network is capable of providing real time location-based mapping services with an accuracy of + / - 3 meters.

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

34. Consider the following statements:

1. State of Global Water Resources 2022 report was recently released by United Nations Environment Organization.
2. Nilgiri Tahr is the only mountain ungulate in southern India.
3. National Mission for Clean Ganga was registered as a society in 2011 under Societies Registration Act 1860.

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

35. Consider the following statements:

1. The Asian Water Tower (AWT) is the world's largest reservoir of ice and snow after the Arctic and Antarctic regions.
2. Even Silappathikaram and Sivakasindamani, two epics of Sangam Literature, have mentioned Nilgiri Tahr.
3. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change is the nodal ministry for National Mission for Clean Ganga.

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

36. Consider the following statements:

1. The Headquarters of World Meteorological Organization are located in Paris, France.
2. Nilgiri Tahr is classified as a critically endangered species in the IUCN red list.
3. National Ganga Council is headed by Union Minister of Jal Shakti.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: A

37. Consider the following statements:

1. Central Drugs Standard Control Organization has granted market authorisation to commercial launch of indigenous NexCAR19 in the country.
2. A report titled "The impact of disasters on agriculture and food security" has been released by Food and Agricultural Organization.
3. NITI Aayog has launched two green schemes called Green Credit Program (GCP) and the Ecomark 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: A

38. Consider the following statements:

1. NexCAR19 is an indigenous CAR-T (Chimeric Antigen Receptor-T) cell therapy.
2. As per FAO report, natural and man-made disasters have led to \$3.8 billion in crop and livestock losses over the last three decades.
3. The Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE) serves as the Green Credit Program (GCP) Administrator.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: C

39. Consider the following statements:

1. T cells are immune cells that attack infection causing pathogens and harmful cells.
2. World Food Programme and International Fund for Agricultural Development are sister bodies of UN Food and Agriculture Organization.
3. The Central Pollution Control Board administers the Ecomark Scheme in partnership with Bureau of Indian Standards.

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

40. Consider the following statements:

1. World Organisation for Animal Health has approved the India's self-declaration of freedom from Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza.
2. Indian Ocean Rim Association's (IORA) Council of Ministers (COM) was held in Kathmandu recently.
3. Egypt became the first country to achieve "gold tier" status on the path to elimination of hepatitis C

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: A

41. Consider the following statements:

1. World Organisation for Animal Health is headquartered at Geneva, Switzerland.
2. Banner theme of IORA Council of Ministers was 'Strengthening Regional Architecture: Reinforcing Indian Ocean Identity'.
3. Hepatitis C is a bacterial infection that affects the liver.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: C

42. Consider the following statements:

1. Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI), commonly known as bird flu, was first detected in India in Maharashtra in 2006.
2. IORA includes 23 countries from Africa, West Asia, South Asia, South East Asia, Australia and littoral states around the Indian Ocean.
3. There is currently no effective vaccine against hepatitis C.

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

43. Consider the following statements:

1. Electoral Bonds can be bought by any Indian citizen or company incorporated in India.
2. It is payable to the bearer on demand and carries minimal rate of interest.
3. The political parties can encash such bonds within 15 days of receiving them.
4. Anonymous cash donations have been capped at Rs 20,000.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 3 only

ANSWER: D

44. Consider the following statements:

1. A report- The High Cost of Cheap Water, was released by World Wide Fund for Nature.
2. It is the first ever annual estimate of economic value of water and freshwater ecosystems.
3. WWF was founded in 1992 after Rio Earth Summit.
4. WWF Headquarters are located in Paris, France.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 3 only

ANSWER: A

45. Consider the following statements:

1. Intensified Mission Indradhanush has concluded all 3 rounds recently in all States.
2. Special focus was laid on improvement of Measles and Rubella vaccination coverage in IMI 5.0
3. IMI 5.0 conducted across only endemic districts in the country and includes children up to 9 years of age.
4. Universal Immunization Programme provides life-saving vaccines to all children across the country free of cost to protect them against 12 diseases.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 3 only

ANSWER: C

46. Consider the following cases and judgements:

1. Suresh Koushal- struck down IPC Section 377
2. Navtej Johar- upheld the constitutional validity of Section 377
3. NALSA v Union of India- right of transgender persons
4. KS Puttaswamy- right to privacy as a fundamental right

Which of the above is/are correctly matched?

- A. 1 & 4 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 2 only

ANSWER: C

47. Consider the following statements regarding Ethics Committee-

1. The Speaker appoints members of the committee for one year.
2. It consists of 30 members.
3. Ethics Committee of Lok Sabha is older than Rajya Sabha.
4. The Committee does not entertain complaints based only on media reports or on sub-judice matters.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: D

48. Consider the following statements:

1. The Odisha government has begun its own tiger estimation in Similipal Tiger Reserve (STR).
2. STR is the only landscape in the world that is home to melanistic tigers.
3. It is part of the UNESCO World Network of Biosphere Reserve.
4. It was formally designated a tiger reserve in 1956.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1,2 & 3 only
- C. 1,3 & 4 only
- D. 1,2,3 & 4 only

ANSWER: D

49. Consider the following statements:

1. Kulashekara Alupendra I was a famous ruler of the Alupas of South Canara.
2. He was the first ruler to give royal patronage to Tulu language and culture.
3. The Soma cult was founded by one Soma Sharma of Gujarat in the 15th century AD.
4. He laid down strict rules and regulations for temple administration that are still followed in all temples in this region.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 2 and 4 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 2 only

ANSWER: B

50. Consider the following statements:

1. Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry -APAAR, dubbed as the 'One Nation, one ID' for traders.
2. The APAAR will give each student enrolled from pre-primary to higher education, a unique Identification number.
3. It will give a unique lifelong identification number to each student.
4. Co-curricular achievements such as ranking in Olympiads can also be stored.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2, 3 & 4 only
- D. 1, 3 & 4 only

ANSWER: C

51. Consider the following statements:

1. The registration portal for Phase III of Yuva Sangam, under Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB), was launched.
2. Yuva Sangam draws inspiration from the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

3. Yuva Sangam focuses on organizing exposure tours for the youth, including on-campus and off-campus students, from one state to another.
4. Yuva Sangam has been organized on the model of Kashi Tamil Sangamam.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1, 2 & 3 only
- C. 1, 3 & 4 only
- D. 1,2, 3 & 4

ANSWER: D

52. Consider the following statements:

1. The National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC) was established in 2013 to implement eight planned Regional Rapid Transit Systems (RRTS) throughout the NCR to relieve traffic in the 100–200 km radius surrounding Delhi.
2. It has a top speed of 80 km/h.
3. It is managed and operated by Deutsche Bahn, a Spanish rail company.
4. It will Developed at a cost of more than ₹30,000 crore.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 2 and 4 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: D

53. Consider the following statements :

1. CBSE Merit Scholarship Scheme for Single Girl Child was launched by the Ministry of Education.
2. The applicant should have secured 70% or more marks in the CBSE Class 10th Examination and be studying Class 11th and 12th in school (affiliated with CBSE).
3. The scholarship offers a maximum of Rs. 1000 per month.
4. The tuition fee for the NRIs has been decided maximum of Rs. 9,000/- per month.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2, 3 & 4 only
- D. 1, 3 & 4 only

ANSWER: C**54. Consider the following statements:**

1. The Army will start phasing out the first lot of the vintage Cheetah and Chetak helicopters from 2030.
2. The first Chetak Helicopter in 'Fly Away' condition was delivered in 1965.
3. The Chetak Helicopter is a two-ton class helicopter.
4. HAL signed a licence agreement for the Lama with Aérospatiale in 1970 and christened the India made aircraft "Cheetah".

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1, 2 & 3 only
- C. 2, 3 & 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 & 4

ANSWER: C**55. Consider the following statements:**

1. 'Global Tax Evasion Report 2024' was released by International Monetary Fund.
2. As per the report, Tax evasion is enabling billionaires to enjoy effective tax rates equivalent to 0% to 0.5% of their wealth.
3. It has called for a global minimum tax on billionaires equal to 20% of their wealth.
4. There are an estimated 2,500 billionaires with a combined wealth of \$13 trillion.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 4 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 3 only

ANSWER: B**56. Consider the following statements:**

1. Bannerghatta National Park is located in Tamil Nadu.
2. Suvarnamukhi stream, originating from Suvarnamukhi Hill, runs through the centre of the park.
3. It is the first biological park in India to have a fenced forested elephant sanctuary.
4. India's first butterfly enclosure was inaugurated at the park.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1, 2 & 3 only
- B. 1, 3 & 4 only
- C. 2, 3 & 4 only
- D. 1, 2 & 4 only

ANSWER: C**57. Consider the following statements:**

1. Maharaj Gunj in Srinagar is being facelifted under Srinagar Smart City's Downtown Urban Renewal Project.
2. It is an initiative by Srinagar Smart City Limited and the Archaeological Survey of India.
3. Dogra dynasty was founded by Maharaja Gulab Singh Jamwal.
4. Under the 1857 Treaty of Amritsar, British gave away Kashmir to Gulab Singh.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 3 only

ANSWER: D**58. Consider the following statements:**

1. The Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations (1961) is a United Nations treaty.
2. Till date, 93 countries have ratified the convention.
3. India ratified it through the Diplomatic Relations (Vienna Convention) Act of 1962.
4. Host nations hold the responsibility to protect diplomats from attacks on their freedom and dignity.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: D**59. Consider the following statements:**

1. The Flight Test Vehicle Abort Mission 1 (TV-D1) was launched successfully by ISRO.
2. It is a part of Aditya L1 mission.
3. The TV-D1 Vehicle is a Liquid propelled single stage Test Vehicle that uses a modified VIKAS engine.

4. Vyommitra is a male-looking spacefaring humanoid robot being developed by the ISRO.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: A

60. Consider the following statements:

1. THAAD is a missile defence system cannot be used as a form of attack against an enemy.
2. THAAD has been designed and manufactured by the Raytheon Technologies Corp.
3. The Patriot air defence system stands for Phased Array Tracking Radar to Intercept on Target.
4. The Patriot system's radar can track over 500 potential targets at the same time.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 4 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: B

61. Consider the following statements:

1. World Energy Outlook 2023 is a flagship publication of the International Energy Agency.
2. As per the report, India's annual carbon dioxide emissions will be the largest as they will climb to nearly 60% by 2050.
3. International Energy Agency works within the framework of the OECD.
4. India is a fulltime member of OECD.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 3 only

ANSWER: D

62. Consider the following statements:

1. Indo-Tibetan Border Police celebrates its raising day on October 26th.
2. ITBP was constituted after the Indo-China war in 1965.
3. ITBP was initially raised under the CRPF Act.

4. It is the only guarding force for entire stretch of the India-China Border comprising 3488 Kms.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 1,2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1, 3 & 4 only

ANSWER: C

63. Consider the following statements:

1. International Atomic Energy Agency is the world's central intergovernmental forum for scientific and technical cooperation in the nuclear field.
2. The IAEA was created in 1974 after India carried out Pokhran I tests.
3. IAEA headquarters are located in Paris, France.
4. IAEA was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2005.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 4 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 3 only

ANSWER: A

64. Consider the following statements:

1. Asian Development Bank was established in 1973.
2. Its headquarters are located in Manilla, Philippines.
3. ADB's top largest shareholders are United Kingdom and the United States.
4. It has 68 members including India.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 2 & 4 only

ANSWER: D

65. Consider the following statements:

1. The Indian porcupine (*Hystrix indica*) is found deciduous forest, rocky terrain and opens countryside.
2. Indian Crested Porcupine is the largest rodent of India.
3. It is a diurnal species and locally known as Sahi.

4. Its IUCN red list status is- Endangered.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: A

66. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Delhi HC has ruled that the Intelligence Bureau stands exempted from rigours of RTI Act by virtue of Section 24.
- 2. IB functions under the Prime Minister's Office.
- 3. IB draws its employees from law enforcement agencies such as the IPS, IRS and the military.
- 4. IB is authorized to carry out wiretapping without a warrant.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1, 2 & 3 only
- C. 1, 3 & 4 only
- D. 1, 2 & 4 only

ANSWER: C

67. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) announced the launch of its first-ever Data Dashboard.
- 2. UNCCD is the sole legally binding international agreement linking environment and development to sustainable land management.
- 3. It was established in 1972 after Stockholm Summit.
- 4. The UNCCD permanent secretariat is located in Nairobi, Kenya.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: A

68. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Recently, 124 PM-Shri schools were launched in the state of Haryana.
- 2. It is a central sector scheme under the Ministry of Education launched in 2022.

3. The schools now under PM Shri are completely new ones.

4. The scheme will be implemented from 2022-23 to 2026-27.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: D

69. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Bharat Petroleum has successfully commenced the production of Reference Gasoline and Diesel fuels for the first time in India.
- 2. Reference gasoline fuels will be available from Panipat Refinery while reference diesel fuel shall be available from Paradip Refinery.
- 3. Specification requirements of reference fuels are more stringent than commercial gasoline and diesel.
- 4. Reference fuels are premium high-value products, used for calibration and testing of vehicles by auto OEMs and organizations.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: A

70. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Cardamom is popularly known as Queen of Spices.
- 2. It is majorly cultivated in Himalayan foothills.
- 3. Areas exposed to heavy winds are unsuitable for its cultivation.
- 4. It is grown in forest loamy soils which are usually basic in nature with a pH range of 7.5 – 8

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 3 only

ANSWER: D

71. Consider the following statements:

1. A supernova is the cataclysmic explosion of a massive star.
2. Betelgeuse is a black hole that lies in the constellation of Orion.
3. Betelgeuse is also known as 'Thiruvathirai' or 'Ardra' in Indian astronomy.
4. It is almost the same size of our sun.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: A

72. Consider the following statements:

1. Global Declaration for River Dolphins has been recently signed by more than 100 nations recently.
2. Yangtze finless porpoise is the only freshwater porpoise in world and is critically endangered.
3. Tucuxi is the freshwater dolphin species found in South America.
4. Indus river dolphin is found in Pakistan and Satluj river in India.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: B

73. Consider the following statements:

1. The death anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel is celebrated as National Unity Day or Rashtriya Ekta Diwas.
2. He was the first home minister of Independent India.
3. His efficient leadership of the Champaran protest earned him the title 'sardar'
4. He is also remembered as the 'Patron Saint of India's Civil Servants'

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 4 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 2 & 3 only

ANSWER: B

74. Consider the following statements:

1. The Subsurface Water Ice Mapping (SWIM) project aims to locate water on Mars.
2. It has been funded by European Space Agency.
3. SWIM project has released its more recent map of the prospective locations of atmospheric water vapour on Mars.
4. The map could help the agency decide where the first astronauts to the Red Planet should land.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: D

75. Consider the following statements:

1. Pichwai paintings are primarily done on cloth.
2. The art form has 4 schools- Nathdwara, Kishangarh and Bundi in Rajasthan and Deccan School.
3. The paintings originated over 1200 years ago in Madras but flourished in Rajasthan.
4. Pichwai paintings depict scenes from the life of Lord Siva.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 & 4 only
- D. 1 & 4 only

ANSWER: A

HIMACHAL PRADESH PRACTICE MCQS

1. The office of HP Wool Federation will be shifted to-

- A. Bharmour
- B. Lhaul Spiti
- C. Palampur
- D. Solan

ANSWER: A

2. The HP government has notified procurement centres Kangra district for procuring paddy at

- A. Milwan
- B. Riyali
- C. Fatehpur
- D. All of the above

ANSWER: D

3. From now on, parents of single girl child will be given an incentive of _____ to remove the evil practice of female foeticide in the state.

- A. Rs 35 thousand
- B. Rs 50 thousand
- C. Rs 1 lakh
- D. Rs 2 lakh

ANSWER: D

4. Dharamkot, also known as 'Mini Israel', is the only village in Himachal to have a Jewish centre. It is located in-

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

ANSWER: B

5. Which of the following district topped the District Good Governance Index (DGGI) Annual Report-2022?

- A. Kangra
- B. Shimla
- C. Hamirpur
- D. Lhaul Spiti

ANSWER: A

6. SJVN has received a Letter of Award (LoA) for 100 MW solar power project in the state of-

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Gujarat
- C. Punjab
- D. Madhya Pradesh

ANSWER: A

7. The Bhootnath bridge in Kullu has been finally restored for light vehicles. It is built across-

- A. Beas
- B. Satluj
- C. Spiti
- D. Parbati

ANSWER: A

8. 1. Recently, _____ new eco-tourism sites had been identified as part of initiatives to promote eco-tourism on a large scale.

- A. 10
- B. 11
- C. 12
- D. 25

ANSWER: B

9. The first digital library of the state will be built in-

- A. Bilaspur
- B. Shimla
- C. Solan
- D. Lhaul Spiti

ANSWER: A

10. Consider the following statements:

1. The paintbrush swift butterfly has been photographed and documented for the first time in Himachal Pradesh's Kangra district.
2. HP supports about 25% of the total number of butterfly species found 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

11. Consider the following statements:

1. Dr YS Parmar University of Horticulture and Forestry, Nauni, bagged the Best Usage of J-Gate@CeRA award 2022.
2. Consortium for e-Resources in Agriculture (CeRA) is an e-Consortium of agricultural libraries under the Indian Council of Agricultural Research for National Agricultural Research and Education System Libraries.

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

12. . Consider the following statements:

1. Pre-World Cup Paragliding tournament will begin in Bir-Billing in Kangra district.

2. Pilots take off from Bir and after hovering along the ridges of Dhauladhar mountains land at Billing.

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

13. Indian Army's first Vertical Wind Tunnel (VWT) was installed at Special Forces Training School located in-

- A. Shimla
- B. Lhaul Spiti
- C. Chamba
- D. Kangra

ANSWER: C



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