

1. The Family Courts Act, 1984 provides for establishment of Family Courts. Consider the following in this regard.
 1. It is mandatory for the State Governments to set up a Family Court for every area in the State comprising a city or a town whose population exceeds one million.
 2. It is a specialized Court which deals exclusively with family matters to secure speedy settlement of disputes relating to marriage and family affairs.Which of the above is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) None
2. Consider the following regions of India and the climate type associated with the same.
 1. Arunachal Pradesh: Cold Humid Winter with Short summer
 2. Rainshadow Region of Western Ghats: Steppe Type climate
 3. Monsoon with dry season in Summer: Central India
 4. Monsoon type with dry Winter: Western GhatsSelect the correct answer using the codes below.
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 1, 2 and 4 only
 - (c) 1, 2, 3 and 4
 - (d) 3 and 4 only
3. Consider the following about the World Bank's Green Bond program.
 1. It supports the transition to low-carbon and climate resilient development and growth in client countries.
 2. Eligible projects supported by the Green Bond program are nominated by individual member countries to the World Bank.Which of the above is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) None
4. Eastern Ghats are eroded and cut through by
 - (a) Chambal and Mahanadi
 - (b) Godavari and Krishna
 - (c) Pennar and Gandak
 - (d) Tapti and Kosi
5. The 'free-rider' problem in Economics is usually associated with
 1. Public goods
 2. All private goods
 3. Foreign Investment

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 3 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1 only
6. Apart from India and China, which of the following groups of countries border Myanmar?
- (a) Vietnam, Malaysia and Brunei
 - (b) Cambodia, Laos and Malaysia
 - (c) Thailand, Bangladesh and Vietnam
 - (d) Thailand, Laos and Bangladesh
7. Consider the following about Cellulosic ethanol that has attracted considerable attention of scientists and policymakers.
- 1. It is ethanol derived from the fruit of the plant rather than its stem or leaves.
 - 2. Since the production of this type of ethanol is dependent on cellulose, this can be obtained in a wide variety of regions.
 - 3. It reduces GHG emissions over conventional gasoline usage in vehicles.
- Select the correct answer using the codes below.
- (a) 2 and 3 only
 - (b) 1 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 2 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
8. Who among the following is generally the leader of the Lok Sabha?
- (a) Speaker, Lok Sabha
 - (b) Leader of Opposition
 - (c) Prime Minister
 - (d) Secretary General, Lok Sabha
9. The Organisation for European Economic Cooperation (OEEC) was established in 1948 to
- (a) Run the US-financed Marshall Plan for reconstruction of Europe
 - (b) Counter the League of Nations (LoN)
 - (c) Supplement the General Agreement on Trade and Tarrifs (GATT)
 - (d) Assert the unipolar order that was characteristic of the Cold War
10. Headend In the Sky (HITS) services are actually
- (a) Disaster Management services
 - (b) Broadcasting services
 - (c) Internal Security services
 - (d) Ecosystem Services
11. Which of the following point to the art form Mudiyettu?
- (a) It is a bamboo carving made by the use of natural colours giving it a rich and sombre feel.
 - (b) These are rock carvings inscribed on the temples of Chola Kingdoms.
 - (c) It is a form of rod puppetry practiced in the state of Andhra Pradesh.
 - (d) It is a ritual theatre and dance drama of Kerala.

12. With reference to a Marine Protected Area (MPA), consider the following statements.
1. It is a space in the ocean where all human activities are prohibited.
 2. All coastal states in India have at least one MPA.
 3. An estuary or coastal area can be regulated as an MPA.
- Select the correct answer using the codes below.
- (a) 1 and 3 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1, 2 and 3
 - (d) 1 only
13. Countervailing duty, a term often heard in news, is related to
- (a) Import duties
 - (b) Excise duties
 - (c) Corporation tax
 - (d) Stamp duty
14. The Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint is a voluntary partnership formed by UN Environment and the World Health Organization to prevent exposure to lead, while promoting the phase-out of paints containing lead. What can be the adverse effects of lead based paints?
1. Childhood lead poisoning during pregnancy can have lifelong health impacts including learning disabilities
 2. In adults, it can lead to depression, loss of appetite and even muscle pain
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) None
15. The Parliament can amend the Constitution subjected to the limit of
- (a) Altering the division of power between Centre and States
 - (b) Basic Structure of the Constitution
 - (c) Text of the Preamble
 - (d) Directive Principles of State Policy
16. The main concern(s) of Socialism is/are
1. Minimise existing inequality and distribute resources justly
 2. Prevent market based distribution of goods and services
 3. Cut down government regulation and planning to the least
- Select the correct answer using the codes below.
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 1 and 2 only
 - (c) 1 and 3 only
 - (d) 2 and 3 only
17. Which of the following are the benefits of Agro-forestry?
1. Increased organic matter on the field and soil

2. More efficient recycling of nutrients by deep rooted trees on the site
3. Reduction of surface run-off and nutrient leaching

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

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

18. With reference to the Tribes Advisory Council (TAC) as provided for in the Fifth Schedule, consider the following statements.

1. There shall be a TAC in each State having Scheduled Areas therein and, if the President so directs, also in any State having STs but not Scheduled Areas therein
2. TACs are fairly autonomous body and cannot be directed or referred to on any matter by the Central or State Government except in so far the State Legislative Assembly passes a resolution prescribing so

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) None

19. Uruguay round is mentioned in the context of

- (a) World Trade Organization (WTO)
- (b) International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- (c) World Economic Forum (WEF)
- (d) World Health Organization (WHO)

20. As per the revenue settlement systems introduced by the British

- (a) The Zamindars were made the owners of farm lands and were assigned the responsibility of the development of agriculture
- (b) All land from peasants and zamindars were confiscated by the official treasury
- (c) Peasants were made the real land owners of their farm properties and the British their legal protectorates
- (d) British made payment of agricultural rent mandatory

ANSWER KEYS

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11 d 12 b 13 a 14 c 15 b 16 a 17 a 18 a 19 a 20 d