

1. Consider the following statements about the India Health Fund (IHF):
  1. It is an initiative of the Ministry of Health.
  2. It will financially support innovations and technologies designed to combat HIV AIDS.Select the correct answer using the code given below:
  - (a) 1 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) Both 1 and 2
  - (d) None of these
2. Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) is trying to reduce the cost of satellites by using which of the following:
  1. Miniaturised Avionics
  2. Advanced Electronics
  3. Electric Propulsion SystemSelect the correct answer using the code given below:
  - (a) 1 and 2 only
  - (b) 2 and 3 only
  - (c) 1 and 3 only
  - (d) All of the above
3. Recently, which of the following two countries signed an agreement on joint development of gas fields in the East China Sea despite having border dispute?
  - (a) China and Vietnam
  - (b) China and Japan
  - (c) China and Philippines
  - (d) China and Taiwan
4. Recently, which of the following countries was in news to follow “debt trap” diplomacy as a tool for exercising political control in developing countries?
  - (a) U.S.
  - (b) Saudi Arabia
  - (c) Nigeria
  - (d) None of these
5. Consider the following statements about the difference between 5G and 4G networks:
  1. 4G networks use frequencies below 6 GHz, but 5G will likely use extremely high frequencies in the 30 GHz to 300 GHz range.
  2. 5G will use different kinds of antennas than what is being used by 4G.Select the correct answer using the code given below:
  - (a) 1 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) Both 1 and 2
  - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
6. Which of the following fertilizers are commonly used in the making of fertilizers?
  1. Sulphuric acid
  2. Phosphoric acid
  3. Citric acidSelect the correct answer using the code given below:
  - (a) 1 and 2 only
  - (b) 2 and 3 only
  - (c) 1 and 3 only
  - (d) All of the above

7. Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme aims:
1. To promote the use of alternative and environment friendly fuels.
  2. To reduce import dependency for energy requirements.
  3. To provide necessary boost to the agriculture sector.
  4. To reduce the Under-recovery of Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only  
(b) 2, 3 and 4 only  
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only  
(d) All of the above
8. Consider the following statements about the Public Procurement Policy for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs):
1. Every Central Ministry/Department/PSUs shall set an annual target for 33% procurement from MSE Sector.
  2. 33% of the total annual procurement target from MSE Sector must be from MSEs owned by SC/ST entrepreneurs.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
9. Which among the following is the only breeding ground for Bar-headed geese in India?
- (a) Lake Tsomoriri  
(b) Chilika Lake  
(c) Pulicat Lake  
(d) Kolleru Lake
10. The Bhitarkanika National Park, located in the delta of which of the following rivers?
1. Brahmani
  2. Baitarani
  3. Dhamara
  4. Mahanadi
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only  
(b) 2, 3 and 4 only  
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only  
(d) All of the above
11. For which of the following conventions Global Environment Facility (GEF) serves as financial mechanism?
1. United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
  2. UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)
  3. Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPS)
  4. Minamata Convention on Mercury
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only  
(b) 2, 3 and 4 only  
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only  
(d) All the above

12. Consider the following statements about the Model Code of Conduct:

1. Model Code of Conduct's amendment can only be done by Parliament of India.
2. It is not enforceable by law except for certain provisions.
3. It is operational from the date that the election schedule is announced till the date results are announced.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) All the above

13. Consider the following statements about the 'Samagra Shiksha':

1. This programme subsumes the three erstwhile Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE).
2. It promotes Vocationalisation of education.
3. It supports 'Khelo India'

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) All the above

14. Consider the following statements about National Sports Development Fund (NSDF):

1. Funds from NSDF are released to the coaches only.
2. The Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports is implementing Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) within overall ambit of National Sports Development Fund (NSDF) for providing financial assistance to elite athletes

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

15. Recently launched GSAT-31 will support which of the following:

1. Cellular connectivity
2. DTH television services.
3. ATMs connectivity.
4. e-governance applications

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (d) All the above

16. Consider the following statements about the 'Angel Tax':

1. It was introduced in 2014 union budget.
2. It is a tax on the excess capital raised by a listed company through the issue of shares over and above the fair market value of those shares.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

17. Consider the following statements about 'Didymos':

1. It is a sub-kilometer asteroid classified as potentially hazardous asteroid.
2. The European Space Agency's HERA mission is the second spacecraft after a NASA mission to explore this binary asteroid.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only                                      (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both 1 and 2                              (d) Neither 1 nor 2

18. Consider the following statements about UDISE (Unified District Information System for Education) :

1. From 2018-19, it has been decided to launch the UDISE+ application.
2. According to UDISE 2016-17, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan have the highest number of single teacher schools in the country.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only                                      (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both 1 and 2                              (d) Neither 1 nor 2

19. Consider the following statements about the web portal called ShaGun:

1. It is a repository of good practices, photographs, videos, studies, newspaper articles etc on higher university education, State /UT wise.
2. It measures state-level performance and progress against key educational indicators.
3. It instills a positive competitive spirit among all the States and UTs.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only  
 (b) 2 and 3 only  
 (c) 1 and 3 only  
 (d) All of the above

20. Consider the following statements regarding Atal Bhujal Yojana (ABHY):

1. The funding pattern is 50:50 between Union Government and State governments.
2. It aims for sustainable management of ground water with community participation.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only                                      (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both 1 and 2                              (d) Neither 1 nor 2

## **ANSWER KEYS**

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