

1. The report on 'Benchmarking India's Payment Systems' is released by
  - (a) Reserve Bank of India
  - (b) National Payment Corporation of India
  - (c) Ministry of Finance
  - (d) Indian Banks Association
2. Consider the following statements regarding Organisation of Islamic Cooperation
  1. The Organisation of Islamic Cooperation is the second largest inter-governmental organization after the United Nations with a membership of 57 states spread over four continents.
  2. It endeavors to safeguard and protect the interests of the Muslim world in the spirit of promoting international peace and harmony among various people of the world.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

  - (a) 1 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) Both 1 and 2
  - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
3. Which of the following are the missions and objectives of Prasar Bharati Corporation.
  1. To uphold the unity and integrity of the country and the values enshrined in the Constitution.
  2. To safeguard citizens' rights to be informed on all matters of public interest by presenting a fair and balanced flow of information.
  3. To promote social justice, safeguarding the rights of working classes, minorities and tribal communities.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

  - (a) 1, 2 and 3
  - (b) 1 only
  - (c) 2 and 3 only
  - (d) None
4. Consider the following statements regarding South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC)
  1. It was established with the signing of the SAARC Charter in Dhaka on 8 December 1985.
  2. Decisions of SAARC at all levels are to be taken on the basis of unanimity.
  3. SAARC comprises of Afghanistan, Maldives and Mauritius.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

  - (a) 1 only
  - (b) 1 and 2 only
  - (c) 3 only
  - (d) None
5. Consider the following statements regarding The Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC)
  1. It is a regional organization comprising seven Member States lying in the littoral and adjacent areas of the Bay of Bengal constituting a contiguous regional unity.
  2. It is a sub-regional organization came into being on 6 June 1997 through the Bangkok Declaration.
  3. The BIMSTEC region is home to around 1.5 billion people which constitute around 22% of the global population

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

  - (a) 2 only
  - (b) 1 and 2 only
  - (c) 3 only
  - (d) 1, 2 and 3
6. Consider the following statements regarding India Meteorological Department
  1. It was established in 1975.

2. It is a principal government agency in all matters relating to meteorology, seismology and allied subjects.
3. It detects and locate earthquakes and it evaluates seismicity in different parts of the country for development projects.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

7. Which of the following countries forms part of infamous Golden Crescent and Golden Triangle

1. Iran
2. Iraq
3. Pakistan
4. Myanmar

Select the correct answer using the code given below

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| (a) 1, 3 and 4 only |
| (b) 2 and 3 only    |
| (c) 1, 2, 3 and 4   |
| (d) 3 and 4 only    |

8. Consider the following statements regarding Nipah Fever

1. Nipah virus is a zoonotic virus and can also be transmitted through contaminated food or directly between people.
2. In infected people, it causes a range of illnesses from asymptomatic (subclinical) infection to acute respiratory illness and fatal encephalitis.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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| (a) 1 only         |
| (b) 2 only         |
| (c) Both 1 and 2   |
| (d) Neither 1 or 2 |

9. White Stem Borer, sometime seen in the news, normally attack which crop?

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| (a) Sugarcane | (b) Wheat |
| (c) Coffee    | (d) Paddy |

10. Consider the following statements regarding National Register of Citizens of India (NRC)

1. The National Register of Citizens is a register containing names of all genuine Indian citizens residing in Assam.
2. The register was first prepared after the 1951, Census of India.
3. The purpose of NRC update is to identify illegal migrants residing in North eastern state who entered Indian territories after midnight on 24 March 1971.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

11. Consider the following statements

1. The Intellectual Property Appellate Board is a quasi-judicial body.
2. The jurisdiction of the Copyright Board of India extends beyond India also
3. Indian government approved its first Intellectual Property Rights Policy in May 2016

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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| (a) 1 only       |
| (b) 2 and 3 only |

- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1 and 2 only

12. Consider the following statements

1. Operation Blue Star was the codename of an Indian military action carried out in 1984 to remove militant religious leaders in Punjab.
2. Operation Cactus is the code name of intervention of Indian armed forces to trounce the attempted coup of Maldivian group led by Abdullah Luthufi.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

13. Consider the following statements regarding The University Grants Commission of India (UGC India)

1. It is a statutory body set up by the Indian Union government in accordance to the UGC Act 1956.
2. It provides recognition to universities in India, and disbursements of funds to such recognised universities and colleges.
3. Higher Education Commission of India is about to replace UGC.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

14. Decolonising the Chagos archipelago, an issue sometime seen in the news is conflict between

- (a) U.S and Maldives
- (b) U.S and U.K
- (c) U.K and Maldives
- (d) U.K and Mauritius

15. Consider the following statements regarding Human Embryonic Stem Cells

1. Stem cells are cells that have the potential to develop into some or many different cell types in the body, depending on whether they are multipotent or pluripotent.
2. Once a stem cell line is established from a cell in the body, it is essentially immortal, no matter how it was derived.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

16. Consider the following statements regarding Global Entrepreneurship Summit

1. The Global Entrepreneurship Summit (GES) 2019 is being hosted by the governments of the United States of America and the Kingdom of the Netherlands.
2. It is the first edition of the event to be held in the European Union.
3. 8th annual Global Entrepreneurship Summit was held in United States.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 2 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) None

17. Consider the following pairs

<b>Glacier</b>	<b>Located in</b>
1. Siachen	Jammu and Kashmir
2. Pindari	Himachal Pradesh
3. Rathong	Sikkim

Which of the pairs given above is/are matched correctly?



18. Consider the following statements regarding National Security Adviser (NSA)

1. All NSAs appointed since the inception of the post in 1998 belong to the either Indian Foreign Service or to the Indian Police Service, and serve at the discretion of the Prime Minister of India.
  2. The post was created on 19 November 1998 by the Government of I. K. Gujral.
  3. Recently, NSA got a Cabinet status in the table of precedence.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?



19. Consider the following statements regarding Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT)

1. Central Administrative Tribunal which adjudicates service matters, can exercise the same jurisdiction and powers, as a High Court, in respect of its contempt proceedings.
  2. Under Article 323A, parliament is empowered to establish administrative tribunals for the adjudication of disputes and complaints with respect to recruitment and conditions of service of persons appointed to public services
  3. There are 17 Benches and 21 Circuit Benches in the Central Administrative Tribunal all over India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?



20. Consider the following statements regarding The Indian Medical Association (IMA)

1. It is a national voluntary organisation of Doctors of Modern Scientific System of Medicine in India.
  2. Establishment and maintenance of uniform standards for undergraduate medical education is one of the function of Indian Medical Association

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

## ANSWER KEYS

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