

1. Consider the following statements regarding appointment of judges to the Supreme Court :
 1. The judges of the Supreme Court are appointed by the Collegium.
 2. A distinguished jurist is eligible to become a judge of the Supreme Court with final approval of the President.
 3. To become a judge of the Supreme court, the person should not exceed 65 years of age.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 (a) 1, 2 (b) 1, 3
 (c) 2, 3 (d) 1, 2, 3

2. Consider the following statements regarding Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) :
 1. It is an International agreement between governments, that is administered by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
 2. CITES is legally binding on state parties to the convention, which are obliged to adopt their own domestic legislation to implement its goals.
 3. CITES was drafted as a result of a resolution adopted at a meeting of members of IUCN.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 (a) 1, 2 (b) 2, 3
 (c) 1, 3 (d) 1, 2, 3

3. Consider the following pairs :

Operation	Purpose
1. Operation Thirst :	Curb the menace of selling unauthorised packaged drinking water.
2. Operation Sunrise :	Assure the safety and security of the Indian vessels transiting through Persian Gulf.
3. Operation Sankalp :	India-Myanmar target insurgent groups camp in North East.

 Which of the above are correctly matched?
 (a) 1, 2 (b) 1 only
 (c) 1, 3 (d) 2, 3

4. Consider the following statements regarding PUNCH mission :
 1. European Space Agency's PUNCH mission will image regions beyond the Sun's outer corona.
 2. The mission will track the solar wind and also the coronal mass ejections – which are huge masses of plasma that get thrown out of the Sun's atmosphere.
 3. India's planned satellite Aditya-L1 will also study the Sun's corona.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 (a) 1, 2 (b) 1, 3
 (c) 2, 3 (d) 1, 2, 3

5. Consider the following statements about National Knowledge Network (NKN) :
 1. It aims to connect all universities, research institutions, libraries and agricultural institutions across the country.
 2. Agencies in the fields of nuclear, space and defence research are also part of NKN.
 3. Its goal is to facilitate distance education in engineering, science and medicine.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 (a) 1, 2 (b) 2, 3
 (c) 1, 3 (d) 1, 2, 3

6. The RBI has made it mandatory for banks to link all new floating-rate loans for housing, auto and MSMEs to external benchmark like repo from next month. Which of the following statements regarding the same stands true ?
 1. It has often been noticed that lending rates of banks and NBFCs, including housing finance companies, are not responsive to changes in the RBI's policy rate or the repo rate.
 2. The main objective behind linking loans to an external benchmark was for faster transmission of monetary policy rates, particularly in a declining interest regime.

3. At present, the anchor rate for NBFCs, similar to banks, that is linked to the lending rate of a particular loan.

Choose the correct option from the following :

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

7. Recently an exercise of rehabilitating deer population has been started under the smart city scheme of the Central government in the Kodiakkarai wildlife sanctuary located in which of the following states?

- (a) Andhra Pradesh (b) Telangana
(c) Tamil Nadu (d) Karnataka

8. Consider the following statements regarding Airspace administration :

1. Airspace is the portion of the atmosphere controlled by a country above its territory, including its territorial waters or, more generally, any specific three-dimensional portion of the atmosphere.
2. By international law, a states's "has complete and exclusive sovereignty over the airspace above its territory", which corresponds with the maritime definition of territorial waters as being 12 nautical miles out from a nation's coastline.
3. Airspace not within any country's territorial limit is considered international, analogous to the "high seas" in maritime law.

Which of the above statements are true ?

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

9. Which of the following statements regarding the recently test fires ASTRA missile by the air force stands true ?

1. Astra, designed by the Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO), is capable of engaging targets of different ranges and altitudes, including long-range as well as short-range targets.
2. The beyond-visual-range missile was launched from a MIG-30 flight as a part of user trials.
3. The missile can fly towards its target at a speed of over 5,555 kilometres per hour. It has a 15-kilogramme high-explosive pre-fragmented warhead as well.

Choose the correct option form the following :

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

10. Consider the following pairs of fruits in India and their corresponding top producer states :

1. Mango : Andhra Pradesh
2. Pineapple : West Bengal
3. Citrus : Maharashtra
4. Banana : Tamil Nadu
5. Apple : Himachal Pradesh

Which of the above pairs are correctly matched ?

- (a) 1, 2 & 3 only
(b) 3, 4 & 5 only
(c) 1, 2 & 4 only
(d) 2, 3 & 5 only

11. Consider the following statements :

1. Defence sector has been identified as one of the most prominent sectors under Make in India initiative to realize 5 Trillion dollar Economy by 2024.
2. The government claims that India will achieve 26 Billion dollars Defence Industry by 2050.
3. A road map has been prepared to promote Artificial Intelligence in national security to make India a significant power in Defence Artificial Intelligence. It has been planned to develop 25 Defence Specific Artificial Intelligence products by 2024.

Which of the above statements are true ?

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

12. According to the WHO, four out of every 10 patients are harmed during primary and ambulatory healthcare. The most detrimental errors are related to diagnosis, prescription and the use of medicines.

Which of the following statements regarding World Patient Safety day address by WHO (World Health Organisation) stands true ?

- 1. Patient safety and quality of care are essential for delivering effective health services and for achieving universal health coverage.
- 2. Millions of patients are harmed each year due to unsafe healthcare worldwide resulting in 2.6 million deaths annually in low- and middle-income countries alone.
- 3. On the very first World Patient Safety Day WHO is prioritizing patient safety as a global health priority and urging patients, healthcare workers, policy makers and the healthcare industry to speak up for patient safety.

Choose the correct option from the following :

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

13. Doordarshan completed sixty years of service to the nation on 15th September 2019. Starting from an experimental service on 15 September 1959. Which of the following statements regarding the same stands true ?

- 1. Doordarshan has become one of the largest broadcasting organizations in the world and has played a pivotal role in the nation building.
- 2. Doordarshan, which also broadcasts on digital terrestrial transmitters, provides television, radio, online and mobile service throughout metropolitan and regional India and overseas through the Indian Network and Radio India.
- 3. It is an autonomous organisation under the Ministry of Information and Technology.

Choose the correct option from the following :

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

14. India and Slovenia Sign and Exchange Seven MoUs and Programmes of Cooperation Including for River Rejuvenation (Clean Ganga Mission) recently ,which was India's first ever presidential visit to the country.

Which of the following countries do not share a boundary with Slovenia ?

- (a) Croatia (b) Serbia
- (c) Austria (d) Hungary

15. Genetically modified crops are plants used in agriculture, the DNA of which has been modified using genetic engineering techniques. Which of the following GM crops have been developed in India ?

- 1. Cotton
- 2. Maize
- 3. Brinjal
- 4. Mustard
- 5. Soyabean

Choose the correct option from the following :

- (a) 1, 2 & 3 only

- (b) 2, 3 & 4 only
(c) 1, 3 & 4 only
(d) 2, 3 & 5 only
16. Oumuamua, recently in news is a
(a) African tribe
(b) Nuclear facility in japan
(c) A spacecraft by JAXA
(d) the first known interstellar object detected passing through the Solar System
17. Consider the following statements :
1. Saudi Aramco is the world's largest oil Refinery
2. Saudi Aramco operates the Ghawar Field, the world's largest onshore oil field and the Safaniya Field, the world's largest offshore oil field
Choose the correct option :
(a) Only 1
(b) Only 2
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) None of the above
18. Consider the following statements :
1. Food and Land use Coalition (FOLU) is a collaboration of food, farming and green research groups.
2. According to its study the current methods of food production, consumption and land use systems incur 'hidden' environmental, health and poverty costs estimated at almost \$12 trillion a year.
Choose the correct option from the following :
(a) Only 1
(b) Only 2
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) None of the above
19. Consider the following statements :
1. NIRVIK' scheme to ease the lending process and enhance loan availability for exporters.
2. It is started by Export Credit Guarantee Corporation of India (ECGC).
Choose the correct option :
(a) Only 1
(b) Only 2
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) None of the above
20. Lunar Reconnaissance Orbiter (LRO) was launched by
(a) ISRO (b) NASA
(c) ESA (d) ROSCOMOS

ANSWER KEYS

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