

1. Which of the following statements regarding the recently launched good governance index (GGI) stands true ?
 - 1) The Good Governance Index is a uniform tool across States to assess the Status of Governance and impact of various interventions taken up by the State Government and UTs.
 - 2) The objectives of GGI are to provide quantifiable data to compare the state of governance in all states and UTs, enable states and UTs to formulate and implement suitable strategies for improving governance and shift to result oriented approaches and administration.
 - 3) It was launched under the ministry of human resources and development.Choose the correct option :
 - a) 1 & 2 only
 - b) 2 & 3 only
 - c) 1 & 3 only
 - d) All of these
2. Which of the following factors affect the Indian climate :
 - 1) Longitude
 - 2) Ocean currents
 - 3) Latitude
 - 4) Monsoon winds
 - 5) Western disturbancesChoose the correct option :
 - a) 1, 2 & 3 only
 - b) 3, 4 & 5 only
 - c) 1, 3 & 4 only
 - d) All of these
3. Recently, the government launched Atal Bhujal Yojana (ATAL JAL) which will be implemented through Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in 8350 villages. Which of the following statements regarding the same stands true ?
 - 1) ATAL JAL has been designed with the principal objective of strengthening the institutional framework for participatory groundwater management and bringing about behavioral changes at the community level for sustainable groundwater resource management in seven States.
 - 2) However there is no provision in the Atal Jal Yojana in order to incentivise gram panchayats to perform better in water management.
 - 3) The entire World Bank's loan component which is 50% of the total project cost and the central Assistance shall be passed on to the States as Grants.Choose the correct option :
 - a) 1 & 2 only
 - b) 2 & 3 only
 - c) 1 & 3 only
 - d) All of these
4. Consider the following statements :
 - 1) Maintaining higher economic growth with fiscal prudence and monetary discipline requires resolute policy and legislative intervention.
 - 2) 66 lakh new tax payers have been registered under new GST regime ever since its launch in July, 2017. This indicates the rising trend of formalisation of economy.
 - 3) The entire process of GST introduction and the decision-making mechanism in GST reflects the spirit of cooperative with every State and UT being represented on GST council.Which of the above statement stands true ?
 - a) 1 & 2 only
 - b) 2 & 3 only
 - c) 1 & 3 only
 - d) All of these
5. Recently which of the following countries have claimed to become the first country in the world to possess hypersonic missile technology ?
 - a) United States
 - b) China
 - c) Russia
 - d) India
6. Consider the following statements :
 1. Climate change and unprecedented floods can facilitate the introduction of aquatic invasive alien species into new habitats.
 2. Invasive alien species slowly begin to wipe out local diversity and the economy by altering the functions of the ecosystem.Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both
 - d) None
7. Consider the following statements regarding International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV).
 1. The International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) is an intergovernmental organization with headquarters in Geneva.

2. UPOV's mission is to provide and promote an effective system of plant variety protection, with the aim of encouraging the development of new varieties of plants, for the benefit of society.
3. India has not joined International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) due to conflict with Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) over plant varieties.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 a) 2, 3 b) 1, 3 c) 1, 2 d) 1, 2, 3
8. Consider the following statements regarding Border Roads Organisation (BRO)
1. BRO contributes to the Socio-Economic Development of the Border States.
 2. They constructed the Delaram-Zaranj Highway in Afghanistan.
 3. The BRO works in close association with the Indian Army in cases of natural disasters.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 a) 1, 2 b) 1, 3 c) 2, 3 d) 1, 2, 3
9. Consider the following statements regarding tyre pyrolysis :
1. Tyre pyrolysis refers to a technique of breaking down used tyres in the absence of oxygen.
 2. Tyre pyrolysis is considered a safer technique than burning tyres, without leaving any carbon matter.
 3. India is a recipient of used tyres from other countries for recycling and disposal.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 a) 1, 2 b) 2, 3 c) 1, 3 d) 1, 2, 3
10. Consider the following statements.
1. Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) provided for prior informed consent of farmers before the use of genetic resources and fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising out of their use.
 2. The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA) recognised farmers' rights as the rights to save, use, exchange and sell farm-saved seeds.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 a) 1 only b) 2 only c) Both d) None
11. Consider the following statements :
1. European Council was formalized as an institution in 2009 upon the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon.
 2. The European Council has no legislative power, but it is a strategic body that provides the union with general political directions and priorities, and acts as a collective presidency.
- Choose correct option :
 a) Only 1 b) Only 2 c) Both 1 and 2 d) None of these
12. Consider the following statements :
1. Global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI), is released by the United Nation Development Programme (UNDP) and INSEAD
 2. The MPI captures both the incidence and intensity of poverty Choose correct option :
- a) Only 1 b) Only 2 c) Both 1 and 2 d) None of these
13. Arrange north to south
1. Laccadive sea
 2. Gulf of Aden
 3. Celebes sea
 4. Arafura sea
- Choose the correct option :
 a) 1, 2, 3, 4 b) 2, 1, 3, 4 c) 2, 1, 4, 3 d) 3, 4, 2, 1
14. Consider the following statements :
1. 38th Constitutional Amendment Act 1975 prohibited president to proclaim national emergency on different grounds even though an emergency is already under operation
 2. 44th Constitutional Amendment 1978 was enacted to prevent the misuse of emergency power by the executive.
- Choose correct option :
 a) Only 1 b) Only 2 c) Both d) none

15. Zero-day Vulnerability is an issue related to
 a) Infant Mortality b) NCDs c) Cyber attacks d) None
16. Consider the following statements :
 1. India State-Level Disease Burden Initiative prepared the first comprehensive estimates of disease burden attributable to mental health from 1990.
 2. The contribution of mental disorders to the Disability Adjusted Life Year (DALY) has doubled between 1990 and 2017 increasing from 2.5% to 4.7%.
 Choose correct option :
 a) Only 1 b) Only 2 c) Both d) None of these
17. The nodal loaning entity for the Fisheries and Aquaculture Development Fund (FIDF) is/are
 1. National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD),
 2. National Cooperatives Development Corporation (NCDC) and
 3. All scheduled Banks.
 Choose the correct option :
 a) 1 only b) 1 & 3 c) All of these d) None of these
18. Consider the following statements :
 1. Peregrine falcon is one of the world's most common predatory birds
 2. It has the best vision in the animal kingdom.
 Choose correct option :
 a) Only 1 b) Only 2 c) Both 1 and 2 d) None of these
19. Consider the following statements :
 1. The International Olympic Committee is a non-governmental sports organization based in Canada.
 2. The IOC is the governing body of the National Olympic Committees (NOCs), which are the national constituents of the worldwide Olympic Movement.
 Choose correct option :
 a) Only 1 b) Only 2 c) Both 1 and 2 d) None of these
20. Spandana Initiative is related to
 a) Skilling
 b) Tribal education
 c) Women's role in organic agriculture
 d) NOTA

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