

PRELIMS SPECIAL - 2 (FOR UPSC CSE 2018)

1. With reference to the Wildlife Crime Control Bureau, consider the following statements :
 1. It is established under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
 2. It collects intelligence related to organized wildlife crime activities in India.
 3. It advises the Government on issues relating to wildlife crimes.Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 2 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
2. Consider the following statements regarding Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems (GIHAS):
 1. It is an initiative of United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).
 2. Its aim is to create public awareness and safeguard world agricultural heritage sites.
 3. In India till now no state has been declared possessing GIHAS.Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 and 3 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 2 only
 - (d) 1 and 2 only
3. Consider the following statements with reference to the Greater Adjutant:
 1. It is categorized as endangered on the IUCN Red List of threatened species.
 2. It is endemic to the Western Ghats in India.
 3. It is a herbivorous animal.Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 2 only
 - (d) 1 and 3 only
4. In the context of IUCN Red List of Threatened Species, consider the following species:
 1. It evaluates the extinction risk of various species and subspecies.
 2. It is limited to animal species and does not include plant species.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
5. With reference to Elephantiasis, consider the following statements:
 1. It is a parasitic disease which is spread by the bite of the infected black flies and mosquitoes.
 2. Recently, WHO has certified India free of Elephantiasis.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
6. Which of the following is correct with reference to the mandate of the National Biodiversity Authority (NBA)?
 - (a) It advises the Central Government on matters relating to the conservation of biodiversity.

- (b) It advises the Central Government on matters relating to equitable sharing of benefits arising out of the utilization of biological resources.
- (c) It advises the State Governments in the selection of areas of biodiversity importance to be notified as heritage sites.
- (d) All the statements (a) (b) and (c) are correct.
7. Which of the following statements is/are correct about E-Bird technology project for tiger conservation?
1. Under it Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) will be used for protection and conservation of tiger and its prey.
 2. It will be jointly implemented by National Tiger Conservation Authority and Wildlife Institute of India.
- 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
8. Consider the following statements about White Tigers:
1. The white color of Tiger is due to lack of melanin pigment.
 2. White Tigers occur only in snow covered areas.
 3. World's first White Tiger Safari is located in Madhya Pradesh.
- Which of the statement given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
9. The 'State of India's Environment Report', is released annually by:
- (a) Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate change
 - (b) United Nations Framework Convention for Climate Change
 - (c) Centre for Science and Environment
 - (d) Forest Research Institute
10. With reference to National Nutrition Mission, consider the following statements:
1. It targets to bring down stunting in children to 25% by 2022.
 2. It aims to bring down anaemia among children, women and adolescent girls.
 3. It will be implemented only in the states with high neonatal mortality.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
11. The final decision of approval of a project after Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) lies with the
- (a) Union Minister for Environment, Forests and Climate Chang
 - (b) Expert Appraisal Committee
 - (c) District Magistrate of the area where the project is proposed
 - (d) Chief Secretary of the State where the project is proposed
12. Which of the following is/are the main objectives of UNESCO's Man and Biosphere programme?
1. To identify and assess the changes in the biosphere resulting from human and natural activities.
 2. To study and compare the dynamic interrelationships between natural ecosystems and socio-economic processes.
 3. To promote the exchange and transfer of knowledge on environmental problems and solutions.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

13. With reference to the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Both government and civil society organizations are its members.
2. It publishes the 'World Conservation Strategy' document.
3. It is a specialized arm of the United Nations.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

14. Which among the following cities is/are included under the UNESCO Creative Cities Network?

1. Chennai
2. Jaipur
3. Hyderabad

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

15. With reference to the Important Bird and Biodiversity Areas (IBAs), consider the following statements:

1. These areas are identified by Bird life International.
2. All IBAs enjoy the status of protected areas under Wildlife Protection Act 1972.
3. IBAs are identified only for terrestrial and freshwater environments.

Which of the statement given above is/are correct?

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

16. With reference to Eco sensitive zone, consider the following statements:

1. It is the buffer area around the National parks and Wildlife sanctuaries.
2. It is declared under Environment (Protection) Act of 1986.
3. There is complete prohibition of any activity in the eco sensitive zone.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

17. Species diversity increases as we move from

1. low to high latitudes
2. high to low altitudes

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. Which of the following are the challenges faced by government in management of protected areas?

1. Habitat Fragmentation
2. Overuse of biomass resources.
3. Increasing human-wildlife conflicts.
4. Livelihood dependence on forests.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

19. Which of the following statements are correct with reference to "Forest- PLUS"?

1. It aims to develop solutions for sustainable forest land use in India.
2. It strengthens capacity for REDD+ (Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation) implementation in India.
3. It is a bilateral program between India and the U.S.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

20. With reference to the Bonn Challenge, consider the following statements:

1. It is a global effort to restore worlds deforested and degraded land.
2. India is party to the Bonn Challenge.

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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