

**PRELIMS SPECIAL – 25 (FOR UPSC CSE 2018)**

1. Consider the following statements:
  1. The Central Vigilance Commission is a statutory body.
  2. The Central Vigilance Commission is the apex body for checking corruption in the government.
  3. The Central Vigilance Commission is free of control from any executive authority.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
2. The Development Authority of which of the following lakes has recently commenced a trial of solar-powered boats to control the sound pollution?
  - (a) Kolleru Lake
  - (b) Chilika Lake
  - (c) Loktak Lake
  - (d) Dal Lake
3. Vigilance officers in all State-owned public sector banks are required to report irregularities and possible wrongdoing to the:
  - (a) Reserve Bank of India
  - (b) Central Bureau of Investigation
  - (c) Central Vigilance Commission
  - (d) Finance Ministry
4. Consider the following statements:
  1. Transport of goods of more than Rs. 50,000 in value in a vehicle cannot be made by a registered person without an E-way bill.
  2. E-way bill operations are available for inter-state movement of goods only.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
5. Consider the following statements:
  1. The India Meteorological Department has predicted that the average temperatures in most parts of India are expected to be “above normal” during the summer season in 2018.
  2. The India Meteorological Department has predicted that this year’s average temperature would be slightly more than 2017.
  3. The India Meteorological Department considers the period between April and June as the actual summer season.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
6. Consider the following statements regarding Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS):
  1. As per Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS) guidelines, each 24/7 PHC should have a minimum of one doctor apart from supportive staff.

2. IPHS guidelines are recommendatory in nature and not mandatory.
3. The primary responsibility of bringing up facilities to IPHS norms is that of the States government.

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

7. Consider the following statements:

1. Doklam is a tri-junction of India, Nepal and China.
2. Walong is a tri-junction of India, Myanmar and China.

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. Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) is a kind of administrative relief from deportation out of U.S. for the citizens of which of the following countries?

- (a) Mexico
- (b) Canada
- (c) Cuba
- (d) None of these

9. For which of the following services, it is mandatory to link Aadhaar with them?

1. Permanent Account Number
2. Mobile Number
3. Post office schemes
4. Universal Account Number

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

10. Which of the following facilities have been provided to the domestic shipping industry to help them grow?

1. Cabotage
2. Right of First Refusal

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

11. 'Right to dignity' has been recognised as a fundamental right under which of the following Articles of the Constitution of India?

- (a) Article 14
- (b) Article 17
- (c) Article 19
- (d) Article 21

12. Which of the following cities recently launched a first-of-its-kind project to map the city for various applications with the help of drones?  
(a) Delhi (b) Hyderabad  
(c) Bangalore (d) Chennai
13. Consider the following statements:  
1. Western Ghats are older than the Himalayan mountains.  
2. Western Ghats influence the Indian monsoon weather pattern.  
3. Western Ghats moderates the tropical climate of the region.  
4. Western Ghats is interrupted only by the Palghat Gap.  
Select the correct answer using the code given below:  
(a) 1, 2 and 3 only  
(b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only  
(d) All of the above
14. The rain can affect the eggs of turtle incubating under the sand in which of the following ways?  
1. Reduction of temperature in the nests.  
2. Tightening the sand covering the eggs.  
3. Sex determination of the hatchlings.  
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
15. Consider the following statements:  
1. Article 1 of the Constitution declares India as a "Federation of States".  
2. India is an indestructible union composed of indestructible States.  
3. India is an indestructible union of destructible States.  
Select the correct answer using the code given below:  
(a) 1 only  
(b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 3 only  
(d) All of the above
16. Which of the following Amendment to the Constitution had first frozen the distribution of Lok Sabha seats among States on the basis of 1971 Census for population data?  
(a) 8<sup>th</sup> Amendment  
(b) 42<sup>nd</sup> Amendment  
(c) 44<sup>th</sup> Amendment  
(d) None of these
17. Which of the following countries was in news because of the Clarifying Lawful Overseas Use of Data Act (CLOUD Act)?  
(a) U.S. (b) Israel  
(c) France (d) Britain
18. Which of the following are among the core infrastructure sectors in the context of India?  
1. Steel  
2. Cement  
3. Fertilizers  
4. Food Processing

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

19. Which of the following items do not fall under the purview of Goods and Services Tax in India?

- 1. Alcohol for human consumption
- 2. Aviation turbine fuel
- 3. High speed diesel
- 4. Electricity

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

20. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Padma Vibhushan, Padam Bhushan and Padma Shri are all civilian awards conferred by the President of India.
- 2. Padam Bhushan is the second highest civilian award in 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

## ANSWER KEYS

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