

PRELIMS SPECIAL – 40 (FOR UPSC CSE 2018)

1. Consider the following statements about the Fugitive Offenders Bill, 2018:
 1. The proposed law seeks to bring to book economic offenders who have fled the country.
 2. It is applicable in cases in which the value of the offence is over 500 crore rupees.
 3. All assets of an offender fleeing the country, not just proceeds of crime, will be confiscated.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. Consider the following statements:
 1. The State Bank of India is India's largest lender.
 2. ICICI Bank is the largest private sector bank 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
3. Consider the following statements:
 1. The 'Global Status Report 2017: Towards a zero-emission, efficient, and resilient buildings and construction sector,' has been published by the United Nations Development Programme (UN DP).
 2. The Energy Management Centre (EMC), an autonomous institution under the Kerala government, is the only one from India to figure in the list.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
4. Which of the following all-women railway stations and the States in which they are located are correctly matched?
 1. Phirangipuram : Andhra Pradesh
 2. Gandhi Nagar: Jaipur, Rajasthan
 3. Matunga : Mumbai, MaharashtraSelect 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
5. Which of the following are statutory and autonomous institutions established under the Biodiversity Act — 2002?
 1. Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs)
 2. State Biodiversity Boards (SBBs)
 3. National Biodiversity Authority (NBA)

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. The Biodiversity Act - 2002 primarily addresses which of the following:
1. Conservation, sustainable use of biological resources in the country.
 2. Issue related to access to genetic resources and associated knowledge
 3. Fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising from utilization of biological resources to the country and its people.

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

7. Which of the following are the threats being posed by the alien species of gold fish in Indian waters?
1. It depletes aquatic vegetation and reduces spawning sites for native fish.
 2. It feeds on eggs and larvae of native fish.
 3. It can transmit pathogens and parasites to native species.

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

8. The Centre for Biodiversity and Policy and Law (CEBPOL) is a bilateral collaboration between the Indian and which of the following governments?

- (a) Norwegian
- (b) U.S.
- (c) Israel
- (d) France

9. Which one of the following diseases is not due to contamination of water?

- (a) Hepatitis-B
- (b) Jaundice
- (c) Cholera
- (d) Typhoid

10. Why is it necessary to remove sulphur from petroleum products?

- (a) To reduce the emission of sulphur dioxide in exhaust fumes.
- (b) To increase efficiency of automobiles engines.
- (c) To use sulphur removed from petroleum for commercial purposes.
- (d) To increase the life span of engine silencers.

11. "Namaste Shalom" which was recently in news is a:

- (a) magazine devoted to India-Israel relations.
- (b) magazine devoted to India-Africa relations.
- (c) magazine devoted to India-U.S. relations.
- (d) magazine devoted to India-North East relations.

12. Which of the following organizations has been established by the Central Government for enforcement of auditing standards and ensuring the quality of audits to strengthen the independence of audit firms etc.?
- National Audit Reporting Authority
 - National Financial Reporting Authority
 - National Fiscal Reporting Authority
 - National Quality Reporting Authority
13. Consider the following statements about the Mega Food Park Scheme:
- State Government, State Government entities and Cooperatives are required to form a separate SPV for implementation of Mega Food Park project.
 - With a view to promote investment in Mega Food Park Ministry of Finance has covered Mega Food Park under Infrastructure category.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
14. Under the Energy Efficient Buildings programme, the Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) intends to retrofit which of the following?
- LED lights
 - Energy efficient ceiling fans
 - Energy efficient ACs
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - All of the above
15. Indian Railways has initiated the facility of printing ticket details in local language on unreserved tickets issued through Unreserved Ticketing System (UTS) with first such language being:
- Telugu
 - Kannada
 - Bengali
 - Punjabi
16. The Ramalingaswami Re-entry Fellowship was conceived in the year with the idea of:
- encouraging scientists (Indian Nationals) working outside the country and would like to return to the home country to pursue their research.
 - encouraging SC/ST students to pursue research even when they had left it in between earlier.
 - encouraging women to pursue research even after their marriage.
 - none of these.
17. The Fortaleza Declaration is related to the establishment of which of the following?
- BRICS Bank
 - Asia Infrastructure and Development Bank
 - World Bank
 - New Development Bank
18. Arrange the following as you observe in vertical stratification of a forest: Grass, Shrubby plants, Teak, Amaranths.
- Grass, Shrubby plants, Teak, Amaranths
 - Grass, Amaranths, Shrubby plants, Teak
 - Grass, Shrubby plants, Amaranths, Teak

- (d) Shrubby plants, Amaranths, Grass, Teak
19. The inherent characteristics of Amoeba and yeast that enable them to reproduce asexually are:
1. They are unicellular organisms.
 2. They have a very simple body structure.
- 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
20. Why do we refer to offspring formed by asexual method of reproduction as clones because?
- (a) they are morphologically and genetically similar to the parent.
 - (b) they are morphologically similar to the parent.
 - (c) they are genetically similar to the parent.
 - (d) none of these

ANSWER KEYS

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