

1. Consider the following statements:
 1. Cell for IPR (intellectual property rights) Promotion and Management (CIPAM) has been created as a professional body under the aegis of Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP).
 2. Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion is under the Ministry of Finance.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
2. Consider the following statements about the Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA):
 1. It is mandated to monitor and regulate in-country and inter-country adoptions.
 2. It comes under the umbrella of the ICPS (the Integrated Child Protection Scheme) agencies.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. Which of the following are among the 'Core of the Core Schemes' of the central government?
 1. National Social Assistance Programme
 2. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Programme
 3. Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana
 4. Umbrella Programme for Development of MinoritiesSelect the correct answer using the code given below:
 - (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
 - (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
 - (c) 1, 2 and 4 only
 - (d) All of the above
4. Which of the following are among the critical legislations which play a pivotal role in the prevention of child labour?
 1. The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015
 2. National Food Security Act, 2013
 3. Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guaranty Act, 2005Select 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. Consider the following statements:
 1. 'Clean Air India Initiative' is a joint initiative of India and the Netherlands.
 2. 'Clean Sea Programme' is a joint initiative of India and Sweden.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
6. Which among the following elements are found in the ash and dust released by the coal based power plants?
 1. Arsenic
 2. Cobalt
 3. Mercury
 4. Lead

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

7. Consider the following statements:

1. A commercial paper (CP) is an unsecured loan raised by firms in money markets through instruments issued in the form of a promissory note.
2. A promissory note is a financial instrument that contains a written promise by one party (the note's issuer or maker) to pay another party (the note's payee) a definite sum of money, either on demand or at a specified future date.
3. CPs can be issued for maturities between a minimum of 7 days and a maximum of up to five years from the date of issue.

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. After power generation which of the following is the largest component of green house emission?

- (a) Transportation
- (b) Agriculture
- (c) Households
- (d) Service sector

9. Which among the following is/are reason(s) for Prakrit to lose its importance after the 12th century?

1. It was the time when regional languages in the northern part of the country emerged.
2. It was spoken by the common people.

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

10. The earliest mode of acting in the form of Koodiyattom, which is now recognised as the intangible heritage of humanity, survives only in which of the following States of India?

- (a) Tamil Nadu
- (b) Kerala
- (c) Telangana
- (d) Karnataka

11. Consider the following statements:

1. Depository Receipt is a negotiable security that can be traded on the stock exchange, if so desired.
2. In India only listed companies can issue Depository Receipts.

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

12. Drugs for Neglected Diseases *initiative* (DNDi) is working on which of the following diseases?

1. Filarial diseases
2. Mycetoma
3. Hepatitis C
4. Sleeping Sickness

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

13. Consider the following statements regarding the draft regulations on civil use of Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems, drones cannot be operated:

1. From a mobile platform such as a moving vehicle, ship or aircraft.
2. Beyond 500 m (horizontal) into sea along the coastline.
3. Within 50 km from international border.

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

14. Consider the following statements:

1. Dumping is a process where a company exports a product at a price lower than the price it normally charges on its own home market.
2. The World Trade Organisation does not regulate the actions of companies engaged in dumping.

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

15. Consider the following statements:

1. Earth Hour is a global grassroots movement uniting people to take action on climate change and protect the planet.
2. Earth Hour was famously started as a 'lights out event' in Sydney, Australia in 2007.
3. Earth Hour is an initiative of World Wildlife Fund.

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

16. Record rainfall often strikes in which of the following countries during an El Niño year?

1. Peru
2. Chile
3. India
4. Ecuador

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

17. Consider the following statements about the 'Essential Services Maintenance Act' (ESMA):
1. The Act also allows states to choose the essential services on which to enforce ESMA.
 2. ESMA gives police the right to arrest, without a warrant, anybody violating the Act's provisions.
- 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. The E-visa facility is now available for nationals of 161 countries for entry through 24 airports as well as 3 seaports:
1. Cochin
 2. Goa
 3. Jawaharlal Nehru Port
 4. Mangalore
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
 - (b) 2 and 4 only
 - (c) 1, 2 and 4 only
 - (d) All of the above
19. Consider the following statements about 'Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana':
1. It is implemented by the Ministry of Women & Child Development.
 2. It is applicable for first two live births only.
 3. It provides a partial wage compensation to women for wage-loss during childbirth and childcare
- 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) All of the above
20. Purchasing power parity (PPP) is used in which of the following cases for international comparison:
1. Sustainable Development Goals (United Nations).
 2. Human Development Index (United Nations Development Programme).
 3. To compare growth rates (World Economic Outlook).
- 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

ANSWER KEYS

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