



Prelims Practice Questions 16-04-2018

01. Global Energy Architecture Performance index is published by which one of the following?

1. World Economic Forum
2. International Energy Agency
3. Organisation of Economic Cooperation and Development
4. Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. 3
- d. 4

Answer : a

The Global Energy Architecture Performance Index Report 2017 ranks 127 countries on their ability to deliver secure, affordable, sustainable energy. It is a composite index developed by WEF in collaboration with Accenture Strategy. India rank 87th in the index.

02. Consider the following statements.

1. Forum for India Pacific Islands Cooperation includes all the island nations in Indian and Pacific Ocean.
2. It is a multilateral grouping to expand India's engagement in the Pacific region.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : b

Forum for India-Pacific Islands cooperation (FIPIC) is a multinational grouping developed in 2014 for cooperation between India and 14 Pacific Islands nations which include Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu.

03. Which of the following are the members of Arctic Council?

1. UK
2. USA
3. Russia

4. Canada

Select the correct answer from the given statements.

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

Answer : b

The Arctic Council is a high-level intergovernmental forum which addresses issues faced by the Arctic governments and people living in the Arctic region. The members includes USA, Canada, Russia, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland and Iceland. India has Observer status.

04. Which of the following countries are called as Scandinavian countries?

- 1. Norway
- 2. Sweden
- 3. Denmark
- 4. Finland

Select the correct answer from the given statements.

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

Answer : a

Scandinavia is a region in Northern Europe, characterized by common ethnocultural North Germanic heritage and mutually intelligible North Germanic languages. The term Scandinavia in local usage covers Denmark, Norway, and Sweden.

05. Consider the following statements.

- 1. Consumer Price Index is calculated by Ministry of Statistics and Program implementation.
- 2. One of the functions of CPI is to help in calculating dearness allowance for the employees.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : c

The index is computed by Central Statistical Organisation, Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation. This index is an important economic indicator and is widely considered as a barometer of inflation, a tool for monitoring price stability and as a deflator in national accounts. Consumer price index is used as a measure of inflation in around 157 countries. The dearness allowance of Government employees and wage contracts between

labour and employer is based on this index.

06. Consider the following statements.

1. The Protection of Children against Sexual Offences act, defines a child as any person below the age of 18 years.
2. The act provides provision for special courts and special public prosecutors.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : c

The Act defines a child as any person below eighteen years of age.

It defines different forms of sexual abuse, including penetrative and non-penetrative assault, as well as sexual harassment and pornography, and deems a sexual assault to be “aggravated” under certain circumstances, such as when the abused child is mentally ill or when the abuse is committed by a person in a position of trust or authority vis-à-vis the child, like a family member, police officer, teacher, or doctor.

07. Smart Fence pilot project has been launched in which one of the following states?

1. Arunachal Pradesh
2. J & K
3. Assam
4. Nagaland

- a. 1
- b. 2
- c. 3
- d. 4

Answer : c

Comprehensive, integrated border management system (IBMS) is part of the Indian government’s vision to seal the vulnerable borders along Pakistan and Bangladesh completely. This project will make use of technical surveillance and alarm systems especially in steep terrain where physical fencing is not an option. The pilot phase has been rolled out on a 55 km stretch in Dhubri, Assam.

08. Consider the following statements.

1. Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority of India is a statutory body.
2. It regulates the National Pension System.
3. It is under the Ministry of Labour and Employment.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. 1 and 2 only
- b. 2 and 3 only
- c. 1 and 3 only
- d. 1, 2, 3

Answer : a

The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA), a statutory body, is the pension regulator of India which was established by Government of India on August 23, 2003 and was authorized by Ministry of Finance, Department of Financial Services.

09. Consider the following statements.

1. Farmer Producer Companies are hybrid between cooperative societies and private limited companies.
2. It is registered under Companies Act, 1956.
3. FPC's having an annual turnover upto Rs.100 crore need not pay tax on profits derived from farm-related activities.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. 1 and 2 only
- b. 2 and 3 only
- c. 1 and 3 only
- d. 1, 2, 3

Answer : d

10. Consider the following statements.

1. World Energy Outlook is published by International Energy Agency.
2. It is an autonomous body within OECD framework.
3. India is a member of IEA.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a. 1 and 2 only
- b. 2 only
- c. 1 and 3 only
- d. 1, 2, 3

Answer : a

India is not a member of IEA.

