



### **Prelims Practice Questions 18-04-2018**

01. Which of the following are the members of Organisation of Petroleum Exporting countries?

1. Austria
2. Russia
3. Iran
4. Gabon

Select the correct answer from the given codes.

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

Answer : c

Currently, the Organization has a total of 14 Member Countries. Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Venezuela. They were to become the Founder Members of the Organization. These countries were later joined by Qatar (1961), Libya (1962), the United Arab Emirates (1967), Algeria (1969), Nigeria (1971), Ecuador (1973), Gabon (1975), Angola (2007) and Equatorial Guinea (2017).

02. Consider the following statements.

1. National Mission for Manuscripts is a National level comprehensive initiative which caters to the need of conserving manuscripts and disseminating knowledge contained therein.
2. The motto of NMM is 'conserving the past for the future'.
3. The mission was launched by Ministry of Human Resource and Development.

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 mission was launched by Ministry of Tourism and Culture in 2003. The Mission has the mandate of identifying, documenting, conserving and making accessible the manuscript heritage of India.

03. Consider the following statements.

1. Logistics Ease Across Different States index is released by Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
2. Gujarat tops the index.

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 LEADS index is a composite indicator to assess international trade logistics across States/UTs. It is calculated based on eight parameters such as infrastructure, services, timeliness, track and trace, competitiveness of pricing, safety of cargo, operating environment and regulatory process. LEADS is loosely based on World Bank's biannual Logistics Performance Index (LPI).

04. Consider the following pairs.

Tiger Reserve	States
1. Pakhui	Arunachal Pradesh
2. Dampa	Mizoram
3. Buxa	West Bengal
4. Amrabad	Telangana

Which of the above pairs is/are correct?

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

Answer : d

05. Consider the following statements.

1. Tiger reserves in India are governed by Project Tiger which is administrated by the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA).
2. The National Tiger Conservation Authority is a statutory body.
3. Prime Minister is the Chairperson on NTCA.

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 National Tiger Conservation Authority is a statutory body under the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change constituted under enabling provisions of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, as amended in 2006, for strengthening tiger conservation, as per powers and functions assigned to it under the said Act. Minister of Environment is the Chairman.

06. Consider the following statements.

1. Sovereign Gold Bonds or SGBs are government securities denominated in grams of gold.
2. Sovereign Gold holders can use it as collateral for loans apart from trading on stock exchanges.

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 Bonds are issued by the Reserve Bank of India on behalf of the government. The bonds are distributed through banks and designated post offices. Minimum investment in the bond shall be 1 gram. The bonds can be bought by Indian residents or entities and is capped at 500 grams.

07. Consider the following statements.

1. K2, world's second highest peak is located in Karakoram range.
2. Gurushikhar is the highest peak in Aravali Range.
3. Aravali range is locally known as Mewar hills.

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

Aravali Range :

- It runs across Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana & Delhi.
- Highest Peak : Gurushikhar, Mt abu
- Famous passes : Pipli Ghat, Haldi Ghat
- Locally known as Mewar hills

08. Which of the following organizations brings out the publication known as 'World Economic Outlook'?

1. The International Monetary Fund
2. The United Nations Development Programme
3. The World Economic Forum
4. The World Bank

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

Answer : a

09. Consider the following statements.

1. Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts (EPCH) is a non-profit organization, established under the EXIM policy of Government of India in the year 1986-87.
2. The objective is to promote, support, protect, maintain and increase the export of handicrafts.
3. It functions under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Answer : a

Export Promotion Council for Handicrafts (EPCH) was established under Companies Act in the year 1986-87 and is a non-profit organisation, with an object to promote, support, protect, maintain and increase the export of handicrafts.

It is an apex body of handicrafts exporters for promotion of exports of Handicrafts from country and projected India's image abroad as a reliable supplier of high quality of handicrafts goods & services and ensured various measures keeping in view of observance of international standards and specification. It functions under the Ministry of Textiles.

10. Travel and Tourism Competitive Index report is released by?

1. World Trade Organisation
2. World Economic Forum
3. UNESCO
4. World Bank

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

Answer : b