

Prelims Practice Questions 20-06-2018

- 1. Consider the following statements about 'International Conference for Action: Water for sustainable development 2018-2028'?
 - 1. It is an initiative of the UN and its first conference will be held in Tajikistan
 - 2. It aims to improve cooperation, partnership and capacity development in response to the ambitious 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Which of the statement(s) is/are correct?

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

Answer: c

- The International Decade for Action: Water for Sustainable Development 2018-2028 was launched on World Water Day, 22 March 2018
- It aims to further improve cooperation, partnership and capacity development in response to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
- 2. Which of the following animal is being conserved in the newly declared Tungabhadra conservation reserve?
 - a. Softshell Turtles
 - b. Smooth-coated Otters
 - c. Mugger crocodiles
 - d. River Dolphin

Answer: b

- 3. Bio-Toilets which are being used in Indian railway coaches have been developed by which one of the following organization?
 - a. DRDO
 - b. ISRO
 - c. DRDE
 - d. CSIR

Answer: a

- 4. Consider the following statements regarding EPIC
 - 1. It is a distant planet six times bigger than Earth and revolving around a Sun-like star about 600 light years away
 - 2. With this discovery, India has joined a handful of countries which have discovered planets around stars
 - 3. Scientists have classified this exoplanet as unhabitable because of its high surface temperature of

around 600°C.

Which of the given statement(s) is/ are true?

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

Answer: d

- 5. Consider the statements regarding President's rule under Article 356 of the constitution
 - 1. The executive power of the state council of ministers completely shifts to the governor of the state
 - 2. The president can act either on a report of the governor of the state or otherwise
 - 3. It can be extended for any number of times with no maximum limit
 - 4. Revocation of President's rule needs parliamentary approval

Which of the statement(s) is/ are correct?

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

Answer: a

- 6. Consider the following statements about United Nations Human Rights Council
 - 1. Its resolutions are not legally binding
 - 2. The United States is the first country to formally withdraw from this group since its creation in 2006
 - 3. No country can be elected as a member for a two consecutive term

Which of the given statement(s) is/are **not** correct?

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

Answer: b

- 7. Which of the following statement(s) regarding National Testing Agency is/ are true?
 - 1. It is an autonomous and self-sustained premier testing organisation to conduct entrance examinations for higher educational institutions.
 - 2. The body has been set up to replace the Central Board of Secondary Education by conducting all the exams which the CBSE conducts
 - 3. NTA will also be responsible for training paper-setters as part of developing a robust examination system
 - a. 1, 2, 3
 - b. 1 and 2
 - c. 1 and 3
 - d. 2 and 3

Answer: c

8. The U.S is planning to withdraw the status of India under the Generalized System of Preferences program (GSP). What could be its potential impact?

- 1. Micro, small, medium enterprises in India will get affected
- 2. India's trade with the U.S would reduce by half
- 3. Cultural relations of India- U.S will get affected
 - a. 1 only
 - b. 1 and 2 only
 - c. 3 only
 - d. 2 and 3 only

Answer: a

- 9. Arrange the following in the order of South to North in terms of their geographical locations
 - 1. Arunachal Pradesh
 - 2. Manipur
 - 3. Nagaland
 - 4. Mizoram

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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Answer: c

- 10. Coral Reefs are naturally found at which of the following areas in India?
 - 1. Andaman Islands
 - 2. Lakshadweep islands
 - 3. Gulf of Kutch
 - 4. Sundarbans

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

Answer: b