

Prelims Practice Questions 04-08-2018

1. Consider the following statements about E-Pashudhan Haat portal

- 1. It is a portal that has information on location of quality indigenous germplasm in the form of live animals only
- 2. It is a sub- component of National Livestock Mission

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

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

It provides real-time information on live animals, semen doses and embryos.

E-Pashudhan Haat is a seperate scheme by itself.

2. Consider the following statements about Eco-Sensitive Zones

- 1. These are ecologically fragile areas around Protected Areas , National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries.
- 2. The term 'Eco-Sensitive Zones' is defined in the Environment Protection Act, 1986

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

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

Answer : a

The Environment Protection Act, 1986 does not mention the word "Eco-sensitive Zones".

- 3. Consider the following statements about Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana
 - 1. It aims to provide free LPG connections to only BPL households in the society
 - 2. Curbing indoor air pollution and increasing the living standards are the sole objectives of the scheme
 - 3. It is being implemented by Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas through Oil Marketing Companies

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

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

Answer : b

Under the scheme, initially, 5 crore BPL households were targeted to be given free LPG connections by 31st March, 2019.

But, in a record time of 28 months for its launch, it recently achieved the initial target of providing 5 crores LPG connection to BPL households.

4. Consider the following statements about Blackbuck

- 1. It is found in the forests of central India only
- 2. The Bishnoi community is known for their conservation efforts for this species
- 3. It is an animal under the Schedule- II of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972

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

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

d. 1 and 3 only formation is Empowering

Answer : b

1. Blackbucks are found in Central- Western India (MP, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Punjab, Haryana, Maharashtra and Odisha) and Southern India (Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, and Tamil Nadu).

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- 2. It is a Schedule- I animal under the WPA,1972
- 3. IUCN status- Least Concern

5. Consider the following statements about Vidyalakshmi Portal

- 1. It is a single-window system whose objective is to ease the process of getting educational loans for higher education only
- 2. It is an initiative of the Ministries of Human Resource Development and Finance and Indian Banks Association

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

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

Answer: c

6. The National Sports University Bill, 2018 was recently passed. It proposes to establish the headquarters of National Sports University in which of the following states?

a. New Delhi

- b. Gujarat
- c. Uttar Pradesh
- d. Manipur

Answer:d

7. Consider the following statements about West Nile Disease

- 1. It is caused by the virus belonging to the family of virus that also causes Japanese Encephalitis.
- 2. It is wide-spread in Africa and Southeast Asia only
- 3. It is transmitted through mosquitoes that feed on birds affected with this virus and also through direct contact with the affected species

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

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

Answer : c

It is spread in Africa, Europe, the Middle East, North America and West Asia

8. Consider the following statements about N-SIPI (State Investment Potential Index)

- 1. It is a ranking of a state's investor- friendliness based on a list of six indicators
- 2. Andhra Pradesh is identified as the state with highest investment potential
- 3. It was launched by NITI Aayog and DIPP

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

- a. 1 and 2 only Shankar IAS Academy Initiative
- b. 1 only
- $c. \ 3 \ only$
- d. 2 and 3 only

Answer : b

- 1. Delhi is identified as the state with highest investment potential
- 2. N-SIPI is released by National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER), an economic think-tank
- 3. The six indicators are- land, labour, infrastructure, economic climate, governance and political stability and business perceptions
- 9. The applications of Blockchain technology can be found in which of the following areas?
 - 1. Cybersecurity
 - 2. Healthcare
 - 3. Banking
 - 4. Music production
 - 5. Personal Data Management
 - a. 1, 2, 3, and 4
 - b. 2, 3, 4, and 5
 - c. 1, 2, 3 and 5 $\,$

d. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Answer:d

10. Consider the following statements about 'The Constitution (One Hundred and Twenty-Third Amendment) Bill, 2017'

- 1. It proposes to set up a National Commission of Backward Classes as a constitutional authority to look into complaints and welfare measures regarding socially and economically backward classes.
- 2. The proposed authority will have the power of civil court

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

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

Answer: b

It is for socially and educationally (not economically) backward classes.

