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Civils prelims Model paper-I

1. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC)?
1. It decides the RBI's benchmark interest rates.
2. It is a 12-member body including the Governor of RBI and is reconstituted every year.
3. It functions under the chairmanship of the Union Finance Minister.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:
a. 1 only` b. 1 and 2 only
c. 3 only d. 2 and 3 only

2. Which of the following is/are methods of ex-situ conservation of biodiversity?
1. Botanical gardens
2. Gene Banks
3. Cryopreservation

Identify the correct statements:
a. 1 only b. 2 & 3 only
c. 1, 2, 3 d. 1 & 2 only

3. Which of following factors influence temperature of a place?
1. The latitude
2. The altitude
3. Distance from the sea
4. Air-mass and Ocean currents

Identify the correct statements:
a. 1, 2 & 3 only
b. 2, 3 & 4 only
c. All are correct
d. 2 & 4 only

4. The Brahmo Samaj of India was started by
a. Devendra Nath Tagore
b. Raja Ram Mohan Roy
c. Keshab Chandra Sen
d. Ananda Mohan Bose

5. Which of the following statements is incorrect about the discussions within the Constituent Assembly?
a. The discussions within the Constituent Assembly were also influenced by the opinions expressed by the public.
b. As the deliberations continued, the arguments were reported in newspapers, but there was no time to debate publicly on the proposals.
c. Criticisms and counter-criticisms in the press in turn shaped the nature of the consensus that was ultimately reached on specific issues.
d. In order to create a sense of collective participation the public was also asked to send in their views on what needed to be done.

6. Unani Day is celebrated on
a. 11th November every year
b. 11th December every year
c. 11th January every year
d. 11th February every year

7. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
1. Under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana' (PMBJP) scheme, quality, unbranded generic medicines at affordable prices are being sold in the country.
2. The Banking Regulation Act, 1949 has been amended to provide for authorisation to Securities and Exchange Board of India to issue directions to banks to initiate the insolvency resolution process under IBC.

a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both d. None

8. Which of the following statements is/ are correct?
1. The puisne judges of a High court are appointed by the Governor in consultation with the chief Justice of the concerned High Court.
2. The president can transfer a judge from one High Court to another after consulting the Chief Justice of the concerned High Court.

a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both d. None

9. Which of the following statements is/ are correct?
1. The famous Gulf Seals were found in Rangapur
2. Fire worship was practised in Dholavira
3. Barley cultivation was witnessed in Banwali

a. 1,2 b. 2,3
c. 1,3 d. 1,2,3

10. Consider the following statements regarding areas where cold and warm currents meet:
1. They provide best fishing grounds of the world.
2. They experience calm & clear weather conditions.

Identify the correct statements:
a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both d. None

11. Consider the following statements regarding Niche & habitat:
1. The functional characteristics of a species in its habitat is referred to as "niche".
2. Two species in a habitat can have the same niche.

Identify the correct statements:
a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. All are correct d. None

12. Which of the following indicators are used in the Human Development Index (HDI)?
I. Standard of living
II. Education
III. Life expectancy
IV. Condition of environment
a. Only I, II & IV
b. Only I, II, &III
c. Only I & II
d. All of the above

13. Which of the following statements is/ are correct?
1. When organic inputs from outside the farm are used, the cost of production goes up.
2. Under Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY), financial assistance is given for direct marketing.

a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both d. None

14. Which of the following acts as the nodal point on all Climate Change Finance matters in the Ministry of Finance?
a. Climate change cooperation of India
b. Climate change finance unit
c. Climate change finance corporation of India
d. Nota

15. The constitution envisages which pattern of government for the states?
a. Unitary system
b. Parliamentary system
c. Presidential system
d. Mixed system

16. Who headed Jainism after the death of Vardhamana?
a. Sthulabahu b. Sameya
c. Arya Sudharma d. Kharavela

17. Consider the following Statements regarding tides:
1. During the full moon and new moon days, the sun, the moon and the earth are in the same line and the tides are highest. These tides are called spring tides.
2. But when the moon is in its first and last quarter, the ocean waters get drawn in diagonally opposite directions by the gravitational pull of sun and earth resulting in low tides. These tides are called neap tides

Identify the correct statements:
a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. All are correct d. None

18. Consider the following statements regarding pioneer species:
1. The plants that invade first bare land, where soil is initially absent are called pioneer species.
2. A pioneer species generally show low growth rate with high life span.

Identify the correct statements:
a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. All are correct d. None

19. Who releases the Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI)?
a. World Bank
b. World Economic Forum
c. UNDP
d. Asian Development Bank

20. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
1. The 8thedition of India International Silk Fair (IISF) was inaugurated in New Delhi in October2018.
2. Aviaindra is the Biannual Air Force level exercise between Indian and the Russian Federation.

a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both d. None

21. The current president of the Republic of Indonesia is
a. Bhumibol Adulyadej
b. Khadga Prasad Oli
c. Joko Widodo
d. Reuven Rivlin

22. The national Anthem was adopted by the constituent Assembly on which of the following day?
a. 24 January, 1947
b. 22 July, 1947
c. 24 January , 1950
d. 22 July, 1950

23. Which of the following statements is/ are correct?
1. Varna system in early Vedic times was simple and flexible
2. Brahmavandins commanded increased popularity during later Vedic times

a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both d. None

24. Consider the following Statements regarding HOT DESERT SAHARA:
1. The Sahara desert touches eleven countries.
2. Tunisia is one of the countries under Sahara Desert.

Identify the correct statements:
a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. All are correct d. None

25. Consider the following statements regarding Ecological succession:
1. The process by which communities of plant and animal species in an area are replaced or changed into another over a period of time is known as ecological succession.
2. Primary succession is the development of a community which forms after the existing natural vegetation that constitutes a community is removed, disturbed or destroyed by a natural event or by human related events.

Identify the correct statements:
a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. All are correct d. None

26. Which of the following statement is true about the cash reserve ratio(CRR):
a. It is decided by the bankers association of India.
b. It is decided by the RBI and commercial banks get a fix interest on the deposited money.
c. It is decided by the RBI and commercial banks do not get any interest on the deposited money.
d. When CRR is increased, it increases the supply of money in the economy.

27. Which of the following statements is/ are correct?
1. The PaiSA - portal for Affordable Credit & Interest Subvention Access is for processing interest subvention on bank loans to beneficiaries under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana.
2. The PaiSA platform has been designed and developed by Allahabad Bank which is the Nodal bank.

a. 1 only b. 2 only
c. Both d. None

28. HAUSLA refers to
a. National Festival for Children of Child Care Institutions
b. Portal for selling tribal products
c. Housing scheme for the underprivileged
d. Indigenous bovine programme

29. Which of the following statements is wrong?
a. Elected and nominated members of the State Legislative Assembly participate in the presidential election.
b. The Union Executive includes the President, Vice President, Prime Minister, Attorney General of India
c. Impeachment may be initiated against the President for 'breach of constitution'
d. Article 56 envisages the tenure of the President