



Prelims Practice Questions 07-02-2018

01. Which of the following parameters are considered while calculating 'Ease of doing Business' index?

1. Protecting minority investors
2. Resolving insolvency
3. Trading across borders
4. Getting credit

Select the correct answer from the following codes.

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

Answer : d

The Ease of doing business index has 10 parameters. They are

1. Starting a business
2. Dealing with construction permits
3. Getting electricity connections
4. Registering property
5. Getting credit
6. Protecting minority investors
7. Paying taxes
8. Trading across borders
9. Enforcing contracts
10. Resolving Insolvency

02. Consider the following statements.

1. Long-term capital gains tax on equities is recently proposed for the first time in India.
2. As per the proposed LTCG tax, 10% tax is levied on gains of over Rs.1 lakh made on any form of investment in listed equities and mutual funds.

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

LTCG tax was already levied in India. It was scrapped in 2004-05. Securities Transaction Tax (STT) was introduced in lieu of LTCG. Recently, the government proposed to re-introduce LTCG tax.

03. Consider the following statements.

1. The Chinese traveller Fa Hien visited Anandpur in 640 AD.
2. Vadnagar in Gujarat is also known as Anandpur.
3. The town is being presently developed under Swadesh Darshan Scheme.

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 : b

The Chinese traveller Huan Tsang visited Anandpur in 640 AD. Thematic tourist circuits are developed under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme.

04. Consider the following statements.

1. The term 'Atal Doctrine' refers to Atal Bihari Vajpayee's doctrine to defuse tensions with Pakistan through the process of reconciliation.
2. India's 'Joint Armed Forces' doctrine explicitly acknowledges surgical strikes.

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

05. Consider the following statements.

1. Dr. Abdul Kalam Island is formerly known as Wheeler Island.
2. Agni-1 is an indigenously developed long range surface-to-surface missile.
3. The missile is propelled by solid rocket propellant system.

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 : c

Agni-1 is a short range surface-to-surface missile. It has strike range of over 700 km.

06. Consider the following statements.

1. Tiger Census is carried on once-in-five years.
2. The previous census exercise took place in 2014.
3. Panthera tigris is listed in endangered category of IUCN.

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 : b

Presently, The National Tiger Conservation Authority conducts the tiger census once-in-four years.

07. Consider the following statements.

1. China's 'String of Pearls' strategy includes building network of ports in the Indian Ocean Region.
2. Maldives is a muslim majority nation.
3. It is a member of Commonwealth.

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

Earlier, Maldives was a member of Commonwealth. In 2016, Maldives withdrew from Commonwealth

08. Consider the following statements about land revenue administration of Alauddin Khalji.

1. He started the practice of land measurement for the fixation of land revenue.
2. He suppressed the village headmens like Khuts and Muqqadams.
3. Entire revenue demand was collected in cash.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : a

Land revenue system of Alauddin was called Masahat system and land revenue was partially collected in kind also.

09. Consider the following statements with respect to Sultanate architecture

1. The origin of true dome and true arch was during this period.
2. Double dome was not developed during Sultanate period.
3. Pietra dura, a form of ornamentation was evolved under Sikander Lodhi.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Answer : a

Double dome developed during Lodhi period and first used in Sikander Lodhi tomb. Pietra dura was the style of ornamentation in which precious and semi precious stones were embedded with floral patterns. This was developed during the period of Jahangir

10. Consider the following statements with respect to Mughal Paintings.

1. Mughal paintings were developed initially by Persian painters.
2. Oil paintings were a feature of Mughal paintings.
3. Nature was a dominant theme of Mughal paintings under Akbar.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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



Answer : b

Persian painters Sayyid Ali and Abdus Samad developed Mughal paintings. Oil painting was never adopted by Mughal painters. Nature became a dominant theme only during Jahangir's period.