



Prelims Practice Questions 09-05-2018

01. Consider the following statements.

1. The UNFCCC climate change conference was held in Germany.
2. The conference was presided over by the Government of Fiji.
3. The first ever gender action plan to the UNFCCC was adopted at CoP-23.

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

The UNFCCC climate change conference was held in Bonn, Germany. It concluded with countries putting in place a roadmap for 'Talanoa Dialogue', a year-long process to assess countries' progress on climate actions. Talanoa is a traditional approach used in Fiji and other Pacific islands to engage in an inclusive, participatory and transparent dialogue to resolve differences without putting any blame on any one.

02. Consider the following statements.

1. Clean Sea-2017 was the naval exercise between India and USA.
2. It was concluded near Port Blair.
3. The objective of the exercise was to ascertain the preparedness of the Indian Coast Guard.

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

Clean Sea-2017 was the regional level marine oil pollution response exercise conducted by Indian Coast Guard.

03. Consider the following statements.

1. Van Dhan Vikas Kendras initiative aims to promote Minor Forest Produce-centric livelihood development of tribal gatherers and artisans.
2. The scheme will be implemented through Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

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 scheme will be implemented through Ministry of Tribal Affairs. TRIFED as Nodal Agency at the National Level.

At State level, the State Nodal Agency for MFPs and the District collectors are envisaged to play a pivot role in scheme implementation at grassroot level.

Locally the Kendras are proposed to be managed by a Managing Committee (an SHG) consisting of representatives of Van Dhan SHGs in the cluster.

As per the plan, TRIFED will facilitate establishment of MFP-led multi-purpose Van Dhan Vikas Kendras, a cluster of 10 SHGs comprising of 30 tribal MFP gatherers each, in the tribal areas.

04. Consider the following statements.

1. The Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development (AIBD) was established under the auspices of UNESCO.
2. It is hosted by the Government of Singapore and the secretariat is located in Singapore.

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 : a

It is hosted by the Government of Malaysia and the secretariat is located in Kuala Lumpur.

It is a unique regional inter-governmental organisation servicing countries of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN-ESCAP) in the field of electronic media development. It is mandated to achieve a vibrant and cohesive electronic media environment in the Asia-Pacific region through policy and resource development.

05. Consider the following statements.

1. Solid Waste Management rules, 2016 identified odour as a public nuisance.
2. The rules have mandated the source segregation of waste.
3. Waste processing facilities will have to be setup by all local bodies having 1 million or more population within two years.

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

06. The principle of 'non-refoulement' is related to which one of the following?

- 1. Climate change
- 2. Refugees
- 3. WTO
- 4. GST

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

Answer : b

The principle is provided under Article 33(1) of 1951 Convention relating to the status of refugees.

It prohibits the government from returning immigrants to a country where they faced threat of persecution.



07. Greenhouse gas bulletin is released by which one of the following?

- 1. OECD
- 2. World Meteorological Organisation
- 3. Germanwatch
- 4. UNEP

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

Answer : b

The Atmospheric Environment and Research Division of WMO's Research Department publishes the WMO-GAW Annual Greenhouse Gas Bulletins. Each year, these bulletins will report the latest trends and atmospheric burdens of the most influential, long-lived greenhouse gases; carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), and nitrous oxide (N₂O), as well as a summary of the contributions of the lesser gases.

08. Consider the following statements.

- 1. Green Climate Fund intends to raise 100 billion dollars a year by 2020

2. It is based in Incheon, South Korea
3. GCF was UNFCCC's financial mechanism

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

The Green Climate Fund (GCF) is a fund established within the framework of the UNFCCC to assist developing countries in adaptation and mitigation practices to counter climate change. The objective of the Green Climate Fund is to "support projects, programmes, policies and other activities in developing country Parties using thematic funding windows". It is intended that the Green Climate Fund be the centrepiece of efforts to raise Climate Finance under the UNFCCC, and raise \$100 billion a year by 2020.

09. Which one of the following countries recently declared 'Garbage Emergency' in response to marine debris?

1. Indonesia
2. China
3. Australia
4. Philippines

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



Answer : a

10. Consider the following statements.

1. Earth Sciences Ministry monitors the shoreline changes along the Indian coast on annual basis.
2. As per the findings, Andaman and Nicobar island face most erosion.

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