



Prelims Practice Questions 13-06-2018

1. Which of the places have been recently added to the list of Swacch Iconic Places under Swacch Bharat Mission?

1. RaghavendraSwamy Temple - Andhra Pradesh
2. Hazardwari Palace - West Bengal
3. Pangong Lake -Leh-Ladakh, J&K
4. Golden temple- Punjab
5. Sabarimala Temple- Kerala

- a. 1, 2, 4 only
- b. 1, 2, 3, 5 only
- c. 2, 3, 5 only
- d. 1, 2, 4, 5 only

Answer : b

The list of places added under phase- 3 of Swacch Iconic Places underSwacchh Bharat Mission are

1. RaghavendraSwamy Temple (Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh)
2. Hazardwari Palace (Murshidabad, West Bengal)
3. Brahma Sarovar Temple (Kurukshetra, Haryana)
4. VidurKuti (Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh)
5. Mana village (Chamoli, Uttarakhand)
6. Pangong Lake (Leh-Ladakh, J&K)
7. Nagvasuki Temple (Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh)
8. ImaKeithal/market (Imphal, Manipur)
9. Sabarimala Temple (Kerala)
10. Kanvashram (Uttarakhand)

Golden Temple in Amritsar is part of Phase-1 of Swacch Iconic Places.

2. Consider the following statements about IAEA (International Atomic Energy Agency)

1. It is a specialised organisation of United Nations that seeks to promote the peaceful use of nuclear energy and to inhibit its use for any military purpose, including nuclear weapons
2. India is a member of IAEA

Which of the statements are correct?

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

Answer : b

IAEA is an autonomously created treaty organisation, however, it reports to the UN general assembly and Security Council.

3. Consider the following statements

1. Goldilocks Zone is a habitable zone around a star where it is neither too hot, nor too cold to support liquid water.
2. Exoplanets are earth like planets capable of supporting life

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

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

Answer : a

Exoplanets are planets beyond our own solar system

4. Consider the following statements about volcanic eruptions

1. A pyroclastic flow is a fast-moving current of hot gas and volcanic matter that moves away from a volcano reaching speeds of up to 700 km/h
2. The amount of water vapour emitted during a volcanic eruption is more than that of carbon dioxide in the volcanic gas

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

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

Answer : c

5. Consider the statements regarding spot gold exchange

1. It aims at curbing the appetite for gold imports and simultaneously encouraging people to release their savings locked in the form of gold.
2. The varying quality of gold among jewellers acts as a hurdle for the implementation of this scheme.

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

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

Answer : c

- The Finance Minister, in his Budget speech on February 1, 2018, announced the setting up of 'regulated gold exchanges'
- It aims at releasing the capital locked up in the form of gold among various institutions in the country
- It also aims at reducing gold import and also the dependence on foreign capital for its economic growth
- Along with NCDEX and MCX which already trade in gold, the govt. proposes to introduce a

spot trade mechanism to increase the release of locked up capital

- There is a need to bring in quality standards for made in India gold which can reduce gold imports and increase transparency in gold trade

6. Consider the following about Geographical Indicators

Geographical Indicators	-	States
1. Kullu Shawl	-	Himachal Pradesh
2. Muga Silk	-	Karnataka
3. Madhubani paintings	-	Andhra Pradesh

Which of the above is/are correctly matched?

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.

Answer :

Muga Silk belongs to Assam. Madhubani paintings belongs to Bihar, whereas Kalamkari Paintings are from Andhra Pradesh.

7. Given below are two statements labelled as Assertion (A) and Reason (R).

Assertion (A): **Folic acid** supplements is essential for prevention of iron deficiency anaemia

Reason (R): It significantly lowers the risk of developing autism spectrum disorder (ASD) in children.

In the context of the two statements, which of the following is correct?

- a. Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
- b. Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A
- c. A is true but R is false
- d. A is false but R is true

Answer : b

8. Consider the following treaties

Treaty	-	Subject
1. Montreal Protocol	-	Ozone Depleting Substances
2. Basel Convention	-	Trans-boundary movement of hazardous wastes
3. Kyoto Protocol	-	Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Which of the above is/are correctly matched?

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 & 3 only
- c. 1 & 3 only
- d. All of the above

Answer : d

9. Consider the following statements regarding River Terrapin

1. It is endemic to Indian Sub-continent.
2. It is classified "Critically Endangered" by the IUCN.

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

- a. 1 only

- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 & 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : b

It is also found in Bangladesh, Indonesia, Cambodia and Malaysia.

10. The following statements regarding Mukundara Hills tiger reserve

- 1. The reserve is located in Western Ghats of Karnataka.
- 2. It is recently in news for having highest density of Tigers.

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

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

Answer : d

Mukundara Hills tiger reserve is located in south-eastern Rajasthan.

Assam's Orang has the highest tiger density nationally

