



Prelims Practice Questions 18-06-2018

1. The Mihir Shah committee is concerned with which of the following?

- Restructuring the Central Water Commission and the Central Ground Water Board
- Review The Operation Of The Cash Credit System
- To look into the functioning of Small Scale Industries
- Water resource management in Northeast India

Answer : a

2. Consider the following statements regarding Jawaharlal Nehru

- He was the president of the Lahore session of INC which called for Complete Independence
- He was instrumental in the formation of Indian Independence League, a political organisation that operated outside India for the removal of British colonialism

Which of the given statement(s) is/ are **not** true?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2



Answer : b

- He along with Srinivasa Iyengar and Subhash Chandra Bose founded the Independence for India League in the year 1928 which put forth the demand for complete independence.
- Srinivasa Iyengar was its first president.
- Indian Independence League was a political organisation operated from the 1920s to the 1940s to organise those living outside India into seeking the removal of British colonial rule over India
- It was established by various Indian nationals and was located in several parts of Southeast Asia

3. Consider the following statements regarding 'Dhanush'

- It is India's first indigenous, long-range artillery gun which was recently cleared for induction into the Army
- Its range is 11 km more than that of the Bofors guns, based on whose design Dhanush was developed

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

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2

d. Neither 1 nor 2

Answer : c

- India's first indigenous, long-range artillery gun "Dhanush" has passed its final test at Pokhran, paving the way for its induction into the Army
- Dhanush is a 155mm x 45mm calibre artillery gun and is also called the "desi Bofors".
- It has a strike range of 38 kilometres and 81 per cent of its components are indigenously sourced

4. Consider the statements regarding Marginal Cost of Funds based Lending Rate

1. It is a loan pricing mechanism which replaced the erstwhile base rate system
2. RBI is yet to link the MCLR to the base rate for loans dated before 1 April 2016

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

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

Answer : c

- Currently a shift from base rate to MCLR for loan payments mandate a fee to be paid by bank
- Though RBI had said it would link the base rate to MCLR from April, 2018 for loans dated before April, 2016, it has still not come into effect
- The MCLR is more sensitive to monetary policy transmission and is closely linked to the actual deposit rates.

5. Which of the following rivers originate from Lake Manasarovar in the Tibet region?

1. Ghagara
 2. Brahmaputra
 3. Indus
 4. Sutlej
- a. 1,2,3,4
 - b. 1, 3, 4 only
 - c. 2 and 3 only
 - d. 2, 3, 4 only

Answer : c

Ghagara river rises from the high Himalayas of Tibetan region though not from Lake Manasarovar

Sutlej originates from Lake Rakshastal which lies close to Lake Manasarovar in its western side

6. Which of the following conditions are essential for growing rubber in India?

1. Rainfall between 200 to 300 cm evenly distributed without any marked dry season and with 125 to 150 rainy days per annum.
2. Temperature between 20 and 34 degree Celsius with a monthly mean of 25 to 28°C.
3. Low Humidity of less than 50%
4. Bright sunshine of at least 6 hours though all months

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

Answer : d

- Rubber needs high humidity of around 80%
- India is fourth largest producer of rubber after Thailand, Indonesia, and China

7. The Right to Information is a

- a. Legal Right
- b. Constitutional Right
- c. Civil Right
- d. Fundamental Right

Answer : d

- The Supreme Court in *State of U.P v. Raj Narain* - a 1974 case recognized the 'right to know' as a right inherent in article 19 (1) (a) of the Constitution (right to freedom of speech and expression)
- Following this a plethora of cases the right to information was recognized as a right implicit in the article 19(1)(a) and in article 21 (right to life and personal liberty).

8. Which of the following places are part of Pacific Ring of Fire?

1. Mexico
 2. Antarctica
 3. Russia
 4. Canada
 5. Taiwan
- a. 1, 2, 3, 5 only
 - b. 1, 3, 4, 5 only
 - c. 2, 3, 4, 5 only
 - d. All the above

Answer : d

9. Which one of the following acts abolished the monopoly of tea trade and trade with China by the East India Company?

- a. Regulating Act of 1773
- b. Pitt's India Act
- c. Charter Act of 1813
- d. Charter Act of 1833

Answer : d

10. Which of the following statements is not correct with respect to Ordinances?

- a. Ordinances are issued by the decree of the President.
- b. When either of the Houses of Parliament are not in session and if the President is satisfied of the emergency circumstances, he/she may promulgate an ordinance.
- c. Any ordinance promulgated will have the same effect as the statute of Law passed by the parliament
- d. An ordinance will cease to effect within three months from the date of reassembly of the parliament.

Answer : d



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