

A Very Precise Coverage of Current Affairs of August 2019 in this TEST. It covers all important concepts and events in the most comprehensive manner as part of IASbaba's Prelims Current Affairs Classes- Prelims Exclusive Programme (PEP)-2020

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Q.1) Consider the following statements:

1. CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species on Wild Fauna and Flora) is an international treaty ensuring complete elimination of trade in wild animals and plants.
2. A member country can propose to uplift the status for any threatened species in CITES Appendix.

Which of the above mentioned statements are correct?

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

Q.2) In the context of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), consider the following statements:

1. IPCC is the United Nations body responsible for conducting research on science related to climate change.
2. This is for the first time that IPCC is including land sector contribution to global warming in its Assessment Reports.

Which of the above mentioned statements are correct?

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

Q.3) "One Country, Two System" Policy recently seen in news, is related to which country?

- a) Britain

- b) Israel
- c) Palestine
- d) China

Q.4) Consider the following statements about 'Tardigrade'

1. They are also known as water bear.
2. They are one of the most sensitive creatures on Earth.
3. They can only be seen under a microscope.

Which of the above-mentioned statements are correct?

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

Q.5) With reference to Consumer Protection Act, 2019 consider the following statements:

1. It specifically includes e-commerce transactions.
2. It abolished the age old Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA)
3. It introduced strict penalty for misleading advertisements.

Which of the above mentioned statements are correct?

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

Q.6) With reference to Quick Reaction Surface-to-Air Missiles (QRSAM), consider the following statements:

1. QRSAM is developed by the Defence Research and

Development Organisation
(DRDO).

2. It is an all-weather, all-terrain missile equipped with electronic counter measures against jamming by aircraft radars.
3. QRSAM uses liquid fuel propellant.

Which of the above-mentioned statements are correct?

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

Q.7) 'Atlas of the World's Languages in Danger' is published by

- a) The United Nations Trusteeship Council
- b) United Nations General Assembly
- c) UNESCO
- d) United Nations Economic and Social Council

Q.8) What is "INDUS FOOD", recently seen in news?

- a) A pan-India electronic trading portal
- b) Global platform to enhance exports in Food and Beverages sector
- c) Portal facilitating a single window solution to the farmers
- d) Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) Portal for National Food Security schemes

Q.9) In the context of the Amazon Fund, consider the following statements:

1. This fund is managed by the UNFCCC
2. It is a part of REDD+ mechanism

Which of the above mentioned statements are correct?

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

Q.10) In context of Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) Plan, consider the following statements:

1. ICZM is 100% central government funded project.
2. ICZM concept was borne during the Earth Summit.
3. So far Gujarat, Odisha and West Bengal have prepared Integrated Coastal Zone Management Plans.

Select the correct answer using the given below code:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 2 and 3 only

Q.11) Consider the following statements:

1. Methyl Mercury is a neurotoxin that can bio-accumulate in food webs.
2. Ocean warming and overfishing increases Methyl Mercury toxin in fish.

Which of the above-mentioned statements are correct?

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

Q.12) Dinesh Sharma Committee was constituted to give recommendations on -

- a) New Education Policy
- b) New FDI Policy
- c) Virtual Currencies
- d) Electric Vehicle regulation

Which of the above-mentioned statements are correct?

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

Q.13) 'Goldilocks Economy' is an economy which has:

- a) moderate economic growth and low inflation
- b) high economic growth and high inflation
- c) moderate economic growth and high inflation
- d) low economic growth and low inflation

Q.16) In context of Price Stabilisation Fund (PSF), consider the following statements:

- 1. PSF is under Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW).
- 2. PSF is maintained as a Central Corpus Fund by NABARD.
- 3. The scheme promotes direct purchase from farmers/farmers' association at farm gate/Mandi.

Q.14) In context of Securities Transaction Tax (STT), consider the following statements:

- 1. STT is an indirect tax.
- 2. STT is levied and collected only by the union government of India.
- 3. STT would be applicable on Shares, bonds and debentures.

Select the correct answer using the given below code:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 2 and 3 only

Select the correct answer using the given below code:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 2 and 3 only

Q.17) Consider the following statements:

- 1. Tiger census takes place once in five years.
- 2. Recently added, Ratapani tiger reserve is in Maharashtra.
- 3. Project Tiger is administered by the National Tiger Conservation Authority.

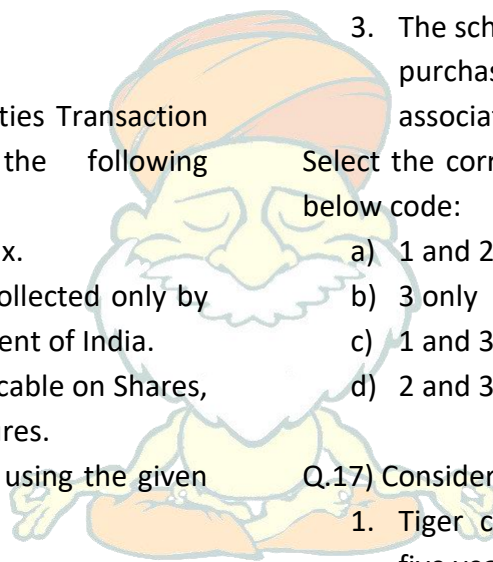
Q.15) In context of Regional Rural Banks (RRBs), consider the following statements:

- 1. RRBs were set up as government-sponsored, regional based rural lending institutions under Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- 2. RRBs are jointly owned by Central Government and concerned State Government only.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 3 only
- d) All the above

Q.18) Consider the following statements:



1. India is the second largest SO₂ emitter in world after China.
2. Industries are highest emitter of SO₂.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.19) What is 'Green Bonus'?

- a) Demand from Himalayan States in the name of ecological services provided them.
- b) Money given to farmers based on their contribution to conservation of resources.
- c) Benefits or facilities given to industries for using renewable energy resources.
- d) All the above.

Q.20) Match the following.

1. Dolutegravir: A) Antituberculosis Drug
2. BPaL Regimen: B) Drug for AIDS
3. Versova (bevacizumab): C) Antihelminthic
4. Albendazole: D) Biosimilar Cancer Drug

Choose the correct option -

- a) 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-D
- b) 1-A, 2-C, 3-B, 4-D
- c) 1-B, 2-D, 3-A, 4-C
- d) 1-B, 2-A, 3-D, 4-C

Q.21) What are REGN-EB3 and mAb114?

- a) Gene editors
- b) Drug for Ebola

- c) Variety of Cotton
- d) Pesticides

Q.22) Falaq Radar System is unveiled by which of the following country?

- a) Iran
- b) Iraq
- c) Israel
- d) Russia

Q.23) Which of the following is correctly matched?

1. Gomphothere- An upper molar of a mammal
2. Coprolites- Fossilised Dung
3. Lokiarchaea- Ancient Microbe

Choose the correct option -

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

Q.24) Consider the following statements

1. Mesovelgia is reptile that can walk or run on the surface of water.
2. Cnemaspis Anandani is the new orchid variety discovered in Western Ghats.

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

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

Q.25) Consider the following statements with respect to GROWTH-India:

1. The GROWTH-India telescope is part of a multi-Country collaborative initiative.

2. The project is fully funded by Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.26) Consider following statements regarding 'The United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)':

- The headquarter of UNIDO is located in Geneva.
- It is also a member of the United Nations Development Group.

Which of the above is/are correct?

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

Q.27) Which of the following Countries are *not* part of Mekong Ganga Cooperation?

- India
- Bangladesh
- China
- Myanmar
- Thailand
- Philippines

Select the correct codes:

- 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6
- 2, 3, 4 and 6
- 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
- 2, 3 and 6

Q.28) The term 'Kolam' refers to:

- A festival celebrated among the Nishi Tribes
- A traditional form of drawing practiced in Southern India
- A tribal dance form of Arunachal Pradesh
- A form of martial dance of Kerala

Q.29) Consider the following statements regarding 'Clarion-Clipperton Zone'?

- It is a geological submarine fracture zone of the Atlantic Ocean.
- It is an area being targeted for deep-sea mining.
- The zone is administered by the International Seabed Authority.

Which of the above statement/statements is/are correct?

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

Q.30) Adarsh Smarak Scheme was launched under which central ministry?

- Ministry of Culture
- Ministry of Agriculture
- Ministry of Urban Development
- Ministry of Tourism

Q.31) Which of the following statement about G7 is *incorrect*?

- The main theme of the G7 summit in 2019 was Climate and Biodiversity.
- Its main focus was on combating inequality.

Select the correct code:

- 1 only
- 2 only

- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

Q.32) Which of the following was/were given GI Tag recently?

1. Palani Panchamirtham
2. Kondapalli toys
3. Tawlhlohpuan
4. Tirur Betel leaf
5. Dindigul Lock
6. Kandangi Sarees

Select the correct code:

- a) 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 only
- b) 2, 3, 4, and 6 only
- c) 1, 2, 3, and 6 only
- d) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Q.33) Consider the following statements regarding 'Deep Ocean Mission':

1. It is a five-year, ₹8,000-crore Government of India's plan to explore the deepest recesses of the ocean.
2. The Mission is to be led by the Union Earth Sciences Ministry.

Which of the above statement/statements is/are correct?

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

Q.34) Which of the following is *incorrect*?

- a) The Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) is a statutory body.
- b) It is an apex organisation under the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.
- c) Its head office is in Ahmedabad.

- d) The Khadi production has seen a consistent growth in the last four-five years.

Q.35) The headquarter of International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) is:

- a) Canada
- b) Moscow
- c) Geneva
- d) New York

Q.36) Which of the following is *not* a harvest festival?

- a) Niraputhari Festival
- b) Wanchuwa festival
- c) Thaipusam Festival
- d) Wangala festival

Q.37) Which of the following river is *incorrectly* matched with its origin?

- a) Pampa – Eastern Ghats
- b) Krishna - Near Mahabaleshwar
- c) Godavari - Nasik Hills
- d) Pennar – Nandi Hills

Q.38) Consider the following statements regarding 'National Technical Research Organisation (NTRO)':

1. The National Technical Research Organisation (NTRO) is a technical intelligence Agency under the National Security Advisor.
2. The agency develops technology capabilities in aviation and remote sensing, data gathering and processing, cyber security, cryptology systems.
3. It was set up in 2014.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

Q.39) Consider the following regarding 'Association of Southeast Asian Nations' (ASEAN):

1. The motto of ASEAN is "One Vision, One Identity, One Community".
2. ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) was launched in 1993.
3. ASEAN Secretariat is located in Jakarta, Indonesia.

Which of the above statement/statements is/are correct?

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

Q.40) Which of the following regarding 'Heat Dome' is *incorrect*?

1. A heat dome occurs when the atmosphere traps hot ocean air.
2. Heat domes can lead to violent thunderstorms, dangerous wildfires and drought.

Select the code:

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

Q.41) Which of the following regarding Composite Water Management Index (CWMI) is/are correct?

1. NITI Aayog in association with Ministry of JAL Shakti and Ministry of Rural Development released

Composite Water Management Index 2.0 in 2019.

2. The index comprises 11 themes.
3. Gujarat continues to hold on to its rank one in the reference year (2017-18).
4. Puducherry has been declared the top performer among the Union Territories.

Select the correct code:

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

Q.42) Saharia Tribe is ethnic group of which of the following state?

- a) Gujarat
- b) Madhya Pradesh
- c) Arunachal Pradesh
- d) Uttarakhand

Q.43) Menhir, recently seen in news, is:

- a) Human fossil found in Chhatisgarh.
- b) A megalithic structure belonging to the Sangam era recently discovered in Tamil Nadu.
- c) A temple belonging to 11-century old Chola Empire.
- d) A tax-free land conferred by Aurangzeb to Mahant Balak Das Nirvani to support Balaji Temple.

Q.44) Astana Consensus is related to:

- a) Shanghai Cooperation Organisation Summit (SCO Summit).
- b) Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC).

- c) Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).
- d) South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC).

Q.45) Consider the following about 'Landslides':

1. The term landslide refers to the downward movement of large masses of rocks, soil, mud and organic debris.
2. Landslides are mainly caused by gravity acting on hardened rocks and soil.
3. Water from heavy rainfall is a frequent trigger for landslides.

Which of the above statement/statements is/are *incorrect*?

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

Q.46) Sripada Yellampalli Project is an irrigation project located in which state of India?

- a) Kerala
- b) Karnataka
- c) Telangana
- d) Andhra Pradesh

Q.47) Consider the following statements regarding 'Kisan Urja Suraksha Evam Utthaan Mahabhiyan' (KUSUM) Scheme:

1. Scheme aims for promoting decentralised solar power production to help farmers.
2. It would help in de-dieselising the sector as also the DISCOMS.

3. It would provide extra income to farmers through solar power projects set up on their farm lands.
4. The 80% subsidy on the solar pumps provided to farmers will be shared between the Centre and the States.
5. Building 15,000 MW solar plants is one of the components of the scheme.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

Q.48) Consider the following regarding Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana (DAY):

1. It is a scheme to provide sustainable livelihood opportunities through skill development.
2. Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana was launched under the Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation (HUPA).

Which of the above is/are correct?

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

Q.49) Long Period Average (LPA) is:

- a) The averages of rainfall received over a 50-year period between 1951 and 2000.
- b) The averages of rainfall received over a 40-year period between 1961 and 2000.

- c) The averages of rainfall received over a 30-year period between 1971 and 2000.
- d) The averages of rainfall received over a 20-year period between 1981 and 2000.

Q.50) Consider the following regarding excavations at Bharathi Huda:

- 1. The findings are 3600 years old.
- 2. The age of the settlement was arrived at after radiocarbon dating of charcoal samples.

Which of the above is correct?

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

