

- 1. Consider the following statements:
 - 1) The World Trade Organisation (WTO) is the sole international organisation that deals with international trade rules.
 - Since 1998 World Trade Organization (WTO) members have agreed not to impose customs duties on electronic transmissions.

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
- 2. India and Sri Lanka, both are members of which of the following organizations?
 - 1) SAARC
 - 2) BIMSTEC
 - 3) SCO
 - 4) ASEAN
 - 5) IORA Indian Ocean Rim Association

Select the correct code:

- a) All of the above
- b) 1,2,5
- c) 2,3,4
- d) 1,2,4
- 3. Which among the following are progressive taxes:
 - 1) Income tax
 - 2) Corporate tax
 - 3) GST
 - 4) Customs Tax

Select the correct answer using the code given below

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

- c) 1, 2 and 3 only
- d) 1,2,3 and 4
- 4. Consider the following statements regarding Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council.
 - 1) EAC-PM is a non-constitutional, non-statutory, independent body
 - It is constituted to give advice on economic and related issues to the Government of India, specifically to the Prime Minister.
 - 3) "Annual Economic Outlook.
 - 4) Review of the Economy." are the periodic reports of this Council.
 - 5) The present PM's Economic Advisory Council (PMEAC) chairman Bibek Debroy

Select the correct answer using the code given below

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1, 2 and 3 only
- d) 1,2,3 and 4
- 5. Consider the following statements regarding Hybrid Annuity Model for infrastructure projects:
 - It is a mix of EPC (Engineering, Procurement and Construction) and BOT-Annuity (Buil-Operate-Transfer) Model.
 - 2) Under it, the private player is responsible to construct and hand over the roads to the government who will in return collect the toll.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 6. With reference to the Gini Coefficient, consider the following statements:
 - 1) Rise in the Gini Coefficient indicates that income inequality is decreasing in an economy.
 - Its value varies anywhere from zero to 1, where zero indicates perfect equality and one indicates the perfect inequality.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 7. Consider the following statements
 - 1) Long-term exposure to particulate matter PM 2.5 pollutants may increase the prevalence of anaemia among women of reproductive age.
 - Anaemia is characterised by diminished blood haemoglobin concentration and is often accompanied by a decrease in red blood cells

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
- 8. It is the largest lake of Africa, the largest tropical lake in the world, and the second largest freshwater lake in the world in terms of surface area. The Lake's area is divided among three countries: Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda.

Which of the following lakes, recently in news is referred to in the above passage?

- a) Lake Victoria
- b) Lake Baikal
- c) Lake Erie
- d) none of the above
- 9. Consider the following about Sunga dynasty:
 - 1) Sungas were persecutors of Brahmanism.
 - 2) Sungas suppressed the growth of Vaishnavism and the Sanskrit language.
 - 3) Sungas colluded with foreign invaders and captured the kingdoms in Gangetic valley.

Select the correct answer using the codes below:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 2 only
- d) None of the above

10. Consider the following statements with reference to Sangam Literature

- Sangam literature dealt both with personal lives such as love and relationships as well as ethics, heroism, values and social customs
- 2) Both men and women poets composed Sangam literature

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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