

- 1. With reference to the National Commission on Farmers Report on land reforms, consider the following statements:
  - 1) It recommended to prevent diversion of prime agricultural land and forest to corporate sector for non-agricultural purpose.
  - 2) The commission was chaired by M.S. Swaminathan.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 2. Which of the following can be described as 'Factors of Production'?
  - 1) Land
  - 2) Tools & machines
  - 3) Skilled professionals

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 3. Consider the following statements about Ayagapattas:
  - 1) They are votive elements used by the Buddhists for worship.
  - 2) These ritual tablets symbolically represent the whole cosmos.
  - They belong to the transition phase, when the worship of the symbol was as important as the worship of Buddha's images.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 4. Which of the following musical forms belongs/belong to Carnatic music?
  - 1) Suladi
  - 2) Svarajati
  - 3) Thumri

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 5. The money multiplier in an economy increases with which one of the following?
  - a) Increase in the Cash Reserve Ratio in the banks.
  - b) Increase in the Statutory Liquidity Ratio in the banks
  - c) Increase in the banking habit of the people
  - d) Increase in the population of the country
- 6. With reference to the Indian economy, demand-pull inflation can be caused/increased by which of the following?
  - 1) Expansionary policies
  - 2) Fiscal stimulus
  - 3) Inflation-indexing wages
  - 4) Higher purchasing power
  - 5) Rising interest rates

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- a) 1, 2 and 4 only
- b) 3, 4 and 5 only
- c) 1, 2, 3 and 5 only
- d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
- 7. Currently, which of the following nations are part of G20 'Troika'
  - 1) India,
  - 2) Indonesia
  - 3) South Africa

Select the correct answer using the code given below

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 8. Consider the following statements regarding recent developments in Bay of Bengal (BoB):
  - A Centre for Bay of Bengal Studies (CBS) was recently opened at Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU).
  - CBS will offer collaborations in areas such as geo-economics and geopolitics, ecology, trade and connectivity, maritime security, maritime law, cultural heritage, and blue economy to generate opportunities for the Bay region.

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
- 9. The Kerch Strait connects which two water bodies?
  - a) Adriatic Sea with the Ionian Sea
  - b) Azov sea to the Black sea
  - c) Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea
  - d) Black Sea with the Sea of Marmara

10. Consider the following statements with respect to Van Gujjars:

- 1) They are buffalo-herders inhabiting the foothills of Himalayan states like Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand.
- 2) They are a pastoral semi-nomadic community, practicing transhumance.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None