

EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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- 1. Consider the following statements regarding Temple Architecture in India:
 - 1) The presence of intricate relief sculptures and secular mural paintings all along the Vimana is a unique feature of the Dravida style.
 - 2) The height of the temple structures declines from the sanctum sanctorum to the entrance in Nagara style while it increases in height from the sanctum sanctorum to the entrance in Dravida style.

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
- 2. With reference to Pardoning power of the Executive, consider the following statements:
 - 1) A person sentenced to death under state law can file a mercy petition to both President and Governor simultaneously.
 - 2) Once the mercy petition is rejected by the President, the condemned prisoner has the right to apply a fresh mercy petition to the Governor if he/she is sentenced to death under state law.

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
- 3. In which of the following medium, the sound will travel at the lowest velocity?
 - a) Steel
 - b) Sea Water
 - c) Air
 - d) Helium

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- 4. which of the following countries are members of ASEAN
 - 1) Brunei
 - 2) Combodia
 - 3) Indonesia

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- a)1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 5. Regarding the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM), consider the following statements:
 - 1) On December 10, 1999, the Department of Disinvestment was established as a separate department.
 - 2) DIPAM is in charge of assisting the monetization of non-core assets of government CPSEs that are undergoing strategic disinvestment or liquidation, as well as the enemy property of INR 100 crores or more.

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
- 6. With regards to the species of Vulture, recently been in news, consider the following statements:
 - 1) In India, all vulture species are critically endangered.
 - 2) The goal of the Vulture Action Plan 2020-25 is to utilise Diclofenac as little as possible.

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

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- 7. With reference to the religious history of medieval India, the Sufi mystics were known to pursue which of the following practices?
 - 1) Meditation and control of breath
 - 2) Severe ascetic exercises in a lonely place
 - 3) Recitation of holy songs to arouse a state of ecstasy in their audience Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
 - a) 1 and 2 only
 - b) 2 and 3 only
 - c) 3 only
 - d) 1, 2 and 3
- 8. The Ilbert Bill controversy was related to the:
 - a) imposition restrictions the Indians of certain to carry arms by Indians
 - b) imposition of restrictions on newspapers and magazines published in Indian languages
 - c) removal of disqualifications imposed on the Indian magistrates with regard to the trial of the Europeans
 - d) removal of a duty on imported cotton cloth
- 9. Three of the following criteria have contributed to the recognition of Western Ghats-Sri Lanka and Indo-Burma regions as hotspots of biodiversity:
 - 1) Species richness
 - 2) Vegetation density
 - 3) Endemism
 - 4) Ethno-botanical importance
 - 5) Threat perception
 - 6) Adaptation of flora and fauna to warm and humid conditions

Which three of the above are correct criteria in this context?

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

- 10. With reference to SUA Convention, consider the following statements:
 - 1) The SUA Convention aims to prohibit and punish those who threaten maritime navigation safety.
 - 2) The SUA Convention applies to sovereign warships and other state-owned vessels as well
 - 3) India ratified the treaty

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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