

EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY

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- 1. "Vriksharopan Abhiyan", recently seen in news, is an initiative of which of the following Union ministry?
 - a) Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
 - b) Ministry of Agriculture
 - c) Ministry of Coal
 - d) Ministry of Environment
- 2. Which of the following is the only country which has successfully landed a spacecraft on Martian soil?a) Chinab) U.S.Ab) Russiad) Japan
- 3. Defence Ministry has recently issued the formal Government Sanction Letter for grant of Permanent Commission (PC) to Women Officers in the Indian Army. The order specifies grant of PC to Short Service Commissioned (SSC) Women Officers in which of the following streams of the Indian Army.
 - 1) Army Air Defence
 - 2) Army Service Corps
 - 3) Army Ordnance Corps
 - 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
- 4. With reference to the General Financial Rules 2017, consider the following statements:
 - 1) The Department of Expenditure amended the General Financial Rules 2017 to enable imposition of restrictions on bidders from countries which share a land border with India on grounds of national security.
 - 2) The Competent Authority for registration will be the Registration Committee constituted by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT).

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
- 5. Which of the following has become the last former Soviet republic to establish formal ties with World Trade Organization (WTO)?
 - a) Afghanistan b) Kazakhstan c) Tajikistan d) Turkmenistan
- 6. With reference to the Representation of the People Act, 1951, consider the following statements:
 - Under Section 153 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 the Election Commission can "extend the time" for completing an election even beyond the date of the normal dissolution of the Lok Sabha or the Assembly.

2) The Powers under Section 153 can be exercised only after an election schedule has been notified. 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

- 7. With reference to the Indian Scholastic Assessment (Ind-SAT) Test 2020, consider the following statements:
 - 1) Union HRD Ministry conducted the first ever Indian Scholastic Assessment (Ind-SAT) Test 2020 under its Study in India programme.
 - 2) Ind-SAT is an exam for grant of scholarships and admissions to foreign students for studying in select Indian universities for under graduate as well as post graduate programmes.

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. With reference to the Defence Institute of High Altitude Research (DIHAR), consider the following statements:
 - 1) DRDO has established a COVID-19 testing facility at the Leh based laboratory Defence Institute of High Altitude Research (DIHAR) to enhance the rate of testing to identify the Corona cases in the Union Territory of Ladakh.
 - 2) DIHAR is one of the life sciences laboratories of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) working on cold arid agro-animal technologies.

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
- 9. With reference to the Global Fund for AIDS, TB and Malaria (GFATM), consider the following statements:
 - 1) It is an international financing and partnership organization that aims to "attract and invest additional resources to end the epidemics of HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria".
 - 2) It maintains its secretariat in New York.

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
- 10. The third unit of the Kakrapar Atomic Power Project (KAPP-3) recently achieved its 'first criticality'. It is located in:
 - a) Gujarat b) Odisha c) Rajasthan d) Punjab