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1. Which of the following statements regarding Tropical Cyclones and Western Disturbances in India are correct?
1. Tropical cyclones in India generally develop over the Arabian Sea and Bay of Bengal, especially during the southwest monsoon season.
 2. Some tropical cyclones also occur during the retreating monsoon or winter months.
 3. Western Disturbances originate over the Bay of Bengal and bring heavy rainfall to southern India.
 4. Western Disturbances are associated with summer rainfall and drought in the northern part of India, especially the Western Himalayas. (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)
- a) 1, 2 and 3 only
b) 1 and 4 only
c) 1 and 2 only
d) 2 and 4 only

Answer: (c) 1 and 2 only

2. Which forest type in India is being described based on the following characteristics? Found in regions that receives about 100 cm of rainfall annually from October to December, with mean temperature around 28°C and relative humidity of 74%. Forests consist of low-height trees with canopies ranging from 9 to 12 metres. Common tree species include Toddy Palm, Kokko, Jamun, Ritha, Khirni, Tamarind, and Neem. (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)
- a) Tropical Moist Deciduous Forest
b) Tropical Dry Evergreen Forest
c) Tropical Wet Evergreen Forest
d) Subtropical Dry Evergreen Forest

Answer: (b) Tropical Dry Evergreen Forest

3. The coastal stretch of the Eastern Coastal Plain located between the Mahanadi and Krishna rivers is referred to as the _____. (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)
- a) Coromandel coast
b) Northern Circar coast
c) Malabar coast
d) Konkan coast

Answer: (b) Coromandel coast

4. Which island is mentioned as the largest inhabited riverine islands in the world? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)
- a) Majuli
b) Sri Lanka
c) Andaman
d) Lakshadweep

Answer: (a) Majuli

5. Match the following Wildlife Sites with their corresponding States. (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)

List-I (Wildlife Sites)

- A. Clouded Leopard National Park
- B. Mayurjharna Elephant Reserve
- C. Lemru Elephant Reserve
- D. Chandra Shekhar Azad Bird Sanctuary

List-II (States)

- 1. Tripura
- 2. West Bengal
- 3. Chhattisgarh
- 4. Uttar Pradesh

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

Answer: (b) A-1, B-2, C-3, D-4

6. The Wood Fossils Park located, which provides evidence of the Thar Desert's marine past, is located in: (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

- a) Jodhpur, Rajasthan
- b) Aakal, near Jaisalmer
- c) Brahmsar, near Jaisalmer
- d) Bikaner, Rajasthan

Answer: (b) Aakal, near Jaisalmer

7. What is the southern part of the eastern coastal plain called? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

- a) Coromandel Coast
- b) Kannada Coast
- c) Konkan Coast
- d) Malabar Coast

Answer: (a) Coromandel Coast

8. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the West Coastal Plain?

- 1. It gradually widens from Kachchh to Kanyakumari.
- 2. The Gujarat plain is formed by rivers like Narmada, Tapi, Mahi, and Sabarmati.
- 3. The average width of the West Coastal Plain is lesser than that of the East Coastal Plain. (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

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

Answer: (a) 2 and 3 only

9. According to 'Indian Minerals Yearbook 2021', which of the following statements regarding Bauxite resources and production in India during 2020-21 are correct?

- 1. Odisha, contributing about 76% to national output, is the largest producer of bauxite, with key mining districts such as Lohardagga and Amarkantak.

2. Bauxite is primarily associated with laterite rocks and is generally found in regions with tertiary formations.

3. Maharashtra, with over 10% share in national production, is the second-largest producer of bauxite, ahead of Chhattisgarh and Gujarat.

4. Bauxite is used not only in the production of aluminium and its alloys but also in refractories, paints and chemical industries. (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

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

Answer: (b) 2 and 4 only

10. What is the average percentage of minerals in soil composition? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

- a) 5
- b) 35
- c) 45
- d) 25

Answer: (c) 45

11. Consider the following statements regarding the distribution of Scheduled Tribes (STs) in India as per Census 2011:

1. Lakshadweep has a minimal share in India's ST population but the highest internal ST proportion among all states and UTs.

2. Over half of India's ST population is concentrated in Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh and West Bengal.

3. The ST population recorded a lower growth rate than the total population during 2001-2011.

4. The sex ratio among Scheduled Tribes is more favourable than the national average.

Which of the above statements is/are correct? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

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

Answer: (b) 1, 2 and 4 only

12. Which of the following is a correct comparison between the East and West Coastal Plains of India? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

- a) West coast is wider and marked by large deltas.
- b) East coast is more indented with better natural harbours than West coast.
- c) West coast is narrow and contains prominent natural harbours.
- d) East coast has more backwaters and lagoons than West coast.

Answer: (c) West coast is narrow and contains prominent natural harbours.

13. Which of the following is the westernmost island of the Lakshadweep group? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

- a) Kavaratti
- b) Agatti
- c) Kadmat
- d) Minicoy

Answer: (b) Agatti

14. Consider the following statements regarding the Himalayan Drainage System: Consider the following statements regarding the Himalayan Drainage System:

- 1. The Jhelum river originates near Lake Rakshastal, flows west for a while, then southwest to join the Indus River in Pakistan.**
- 2. The Ganga river is formed by the Bhagirathi and Alaknanda confluence, flows through India and Bangladesh to the Bay of Bengal.**
- 3. The Brahmaputra river starts as the Yarlung Tsangpo in Tibet, flows east, U-turns into Arunachal Pradesh, then Assam and Bangladesh to join the Ganga.**
- 4. Upper Himalayan rivers' erosion mainly forms floodplains and meanders in high altitudes.**

Which of the above statements are correct? (IB ACIO 16th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

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

Answer: (c) Only 2 and 3

15. What is the ranking of the Thar Desert in terms of its size among subtropical deserts worldwide? (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)

- a) 11th largest
- b) 5th largest
- c) 7th largest
- d) 9th largest

Answer: (d) 9th largest

16. What type of soil is found in the Northern Plain of India? (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)

- a) Laterite soil
- b) Black soil
- c) Alluvial soil
- d) Red soil

Answer: (c) Alluvial soil

17. Consider the following statements regarding the Great Northern Plains of India:

- 1. The Northern Plains support more than half of India's total population, despite occupying only about one-fourth of the country's land area.**

2. These plains are agriculturally rich due to deep alluvial soils, perennial rivers, and a favourable climate.

3. The region is known as the “Wheat Bowl of the Country” because of the predominance of wheat cultivation across all its sub-regions.

4. The Northern Plains are characterized by extremely flat terrain with slight eastward slope and minimal elevation difference across the region.

Which of the above statements is/are correct? (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)

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

Answer: (c) 2 and 4 Only

18. As per Census of India 2011, which state has the highest population in India, according to the percentage shares of population of the states and union territories? (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Bihar
- c) Maharashtra
- d) West Bengal

Answer: (a) Uttar Pradesh

19. Which of the following statements regarding natural vegetation regions of India are correct?

1. The Eastern Himalayan Region includes vegetation ranging from tropical to alpine types and receives more than 200 cm of annual rainfall.

2. The North-Western Himalayan Region has tropical evergreen vegetation in sub-montane areas and dense deciduous forests at alpine heights.

3. The Assam Region contains rich bamboo and palm vegetation and has Nilgiri-type grasslands at higher altitudes.

4. The Gangetic Plain and Aravali region show vegetation ranging from semi-arid shrubs to moist deciduous forests, with species like Neem, Mahuwa, Jamun, and Acacia. (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

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

Answer: (c) 1, 3 and 4 only

20. Which of the following statements regarding the Trans-Himalayas are correct?

1. The Trans-Himalayas are sometimes referred to as the Tibetan Himalayas.

2. These mountains extend for about 1000 km in the east-west direction, with an average width of 40 km at the extremities and about 225 km in the central part.

3. The highest peaks in the Trans-Himalayas do not exceed 3000 metres in elevation.

4. Major mountain ranges in the Trans-Himalayas include Zaskar, Ladakh, and Kailash. (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

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

Answer: (a) 1, 2 and 4

21. Consider the following statements regarding the Thar Desert:

- 1. The Thar Desert extends into Pakistan where it is known as the Cholistan Desert.**
- 2. More than half of Rajasthan's geographical area lies within the Thar Desert.**
- 3. The Thar Desert receives high rainfall but still experiences desert conditions due to extreme temperatures.**
- 4. Temperatures in the Thar Desert can exceed 45°C in summers and fall below freezing in winters.**

Which of the above statements is/are correct? (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

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

Answer: (d) 1, 2 and 4 only

22. The Northern Plains of India are primarily formed by the deposition of sediments from which river systems? (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

- a) Krishna, Godavari, and Cauvery
- b) Narmada, Tapi, and Mahanadi
- c) Mahi, Chambal, and Betwa
- d) Ganga, Indus, and Brahmaputra

Answer: (d) Ganga, Indus, and Brahmaputra

23. The Peninsular Plateau of India is one of the oldest landmasses on Earth and was once part of the ancient supercontinent known as _____. (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

- a) Eurasia
- b) Gondwanaland
- c) Angaraland
- d) Laurasia

Answer: (b) Gondwanaland

24. What is the climatic factor that favours the location of cotton mills in Mumbai? (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

- a) High rainfall and flooding
- b) Mild climate with enough moisture in the air
- c) High temperature and low humidity
- d) Extreme temperature fluctuations

Answer: (b) Mild climate with enough moisture in the air

25. Which of the following statements about the influence of physiography on the climate of India are correct?

- 1. Physiography of India significantly influences climatic factors like temperature, rainfall, wind direction, and pressure.**
- 2. Higher altitudes experience warmer climates regardless of location, including Peninsular India.**
- 3. Western Ghats cause heavy rainfall on the windward side due to the perpendicular strike of the south-west monsoon winds from the Bay of Bengal.**
- 4. Leeward side of the Western Ghats lies in the rain-shadow zone and remains comparatively dry. (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)**

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

Answer: (b) 1 and 4 only

26. What is the primary geological composition of the Lakshadweep and Minicoy Islands? (IB ACIO 17th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

- a) Granite and basalt
- b) Sandstone and shale
- c) Coral deposits
- d) Volcanic rocks

Answer: (c) Coral deposits

27. In which state is coffee primarily grown as a plantation crop? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)

- a) Kerala
- b) Assam
- c) Tamil Nadu
- d) Karnataka

Answer: (d) Karnataka

28. Consider the following statements regarding the Age Structure of India as per Census 2011 and identify which of them is/are correct:

- 1. The age-sex pyramid of India shows a tapering base and a bulge in the middle age groups, indicating a shift towards a lower birth rate and a growing working-age population.**
- 2. The dependency ratio in India as per the 2011 census suggests that a larger proportion of the population falls in the working-age group compared to the dependent population.**
- 3. The proportion of females surpasses males consistently across all age groups after 45 years of age.**

4. India's elderly (60+) population in 2011 was still below the global average, indicating limited ageing burden as compared to developed nations. (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)

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

Answer: (b) 1, 2 and 4 only

29. The Thar Desert in India spreads over how many states? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)

- a) 4
- b) 5
- c) 3
- d) 6

Answer: (a) 4

30. Consider the following statements regarding the Andaman and Nicobar Islands:

1. The South Andamans are largely flat lowlands.
2. The Nicobar Islands lie to the south of the Andaman group and include major islands like Swaraj Island and Subhash Island.
3. The North and Middle Andamans are highly dissected, forested and include elevations below 750 metres.
4. The Barren and Narcondam islands are of volcanic origin and are located south of Port Blair. (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 1)

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

Answer: (d) Only 1 and 3

31. Match the following offshore islands of the Arabian Sea with the Indian state to which they are geographically the closest. (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

Islands	Closest State
a. Arnala	1. Goa
b. Piram	2. Karnataka
c. Hog Island	3. Maharashtra
d. Divar	4. Gujarat

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

Answer: (c) a-3, b-4, c-2, d-1

32. Consider the following statements regarding the geological evolution of the Peninsular Plateau:

Statement 1: The fault valleys of the Narmada and Tapti rivers are a result of block faulting that occurred during the Carboniferous period.

Statement 2: The Deccan Trap was formed due to massive volcanic activity during the Quaternary period, leading to the deposition of thick lava sheets.

Which of the above statements is/are correct? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

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

Answer: (b) Only 1

33. What is the region called where rivers deposit pebbles in a narrow belt near the Shiwaliks? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

- a) Plateau
- b) Delta
- c) Terai
- d) Bhabar

Answer: (d) Bhabar

34. According to 'Energy Statistics India, 2024', which of the following Indian states had the highest estimated reserves of crude oil (excluding offshore regions) as on 1 April 2023? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 2)

- a) Andhra Pradesh
- b) Rajasthan
- c) Assam
- d) Gujarat

Answer: (c) Assam

35. Why does Ladakh experience low rainfall? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

- a) Due to its location in the rain shadow area of the Himalayan mountains
- b) Due to its high altitude
- c) Due to its cold desert climate
- d) Due to its proximity to the equator

Answer: (a) Due to its location in the rain shadow area of the Himalayan mountains

36. According to 'Land Use Statistics at a Glance: 2022-23', which of the following had the maximum share of net irrigated area to net sown area in India? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

- a) Haryana
- b) Tamil Nadu
- c) Uttar Pradesh
- d) Punjab

Answer: (d) Punjab

37. Consider the following statements regarding the evolution and characteristics of the Peninsular drainage system in India:

- 1. The lack of meandering in Peninsular rivers is primarily due to the absence of soft alluvial plains and the relatively older geological age of the terrain.**
- 2. The main reason why rivers like Narmada and Tapi do not form deltas is the subsidence of the eastern part of the Peninsula during the Tertiary period.**

3. Peninsular rivers mostly flow towards the Bay of Bengal due to the tilting of the Peninsula in a north-eastern direction.

4. The tributaries of the Ganga like Chambal and Ken originate in the Peninsular region but flow northward due to post-Himalayan tectonic uplift.

Which of the above statements are correct? (IB ACIO 18th Sept. 2025 Shift 3)

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

Answer: (c) Only 1 and 4

38. Consider the following statements:

1. The Tehri Dam, located on the Bhagirathi River in Uttarakhand, is the highest dam in India.

2. The Kakrapar Atomic Power Plant is situated in Tapi, Gujarat.

3. The Narora Atomic Power Station, situated in Uttar Pradesh, is a major contributor to India's nuclear energy production.

Which of the statements above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 1)

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

Answer: (b) 1, 2 and 3

39. The literacy rate of males in India as per 2011 census is around _____. (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 1)

- a) 79%
- b) 74%
- c) 82%
- d) 76%

Answer: (c) 82%

40. Consider the following statements:

1. The Brahmaputra river is known as Tsangpo in its upper reaches in Tibet.

2. The Godavari river is often referred to as the Ganges of the South.

3. The Krishna river has the second-largest river basin in India, after the Ganges.

4. The Indus river originates from the Tibetan plateau, near Lake Mansarovar.

Which of the statements above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 1)

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

Answer: (d) 1, 2, and 4 only

41. Which of the following rivers are east flowing rivers? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 1)

- A) Godavari
- B) Tapi
- C) Krishna
- D) Narmada

- a) A, B, C only
- b) A, C only
- c) B, C, D only
- d) A, B only

Answer: (b) A, C only

42. Which of the following are Desert Rivers which flow for some distance and are lost in the desert? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 2)

- a) Rukni
- b) Katakhal
- c) Rupen
- d) Dhaleswari

Answer: (c) Rupen

43. Which of the following state has the lowest sex ratio as per 2011 census? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 2)

- a) Kerala
- b) Mizoram
- c) Chhattisgarh
- d) Odisha

Answer: (b) Mizoram

44. Match the following ports with their respective states and select the correct answer using the codes/option given below.

List 1 (Port)

A. Kandla

B. Haldia

C. Cochin

D. Paradip

List 2 (State)

i) Odisha

ii) West Bengal

iii) Kerala

iv) Gujarat

(IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 2)

- a) A-ii B-iii C-i D-iv
- b) A-iii B-i C-iv D-ii
- c) A-i B-iv C-ii D-iii
- d) A-iv B-ii C-iii D-i

Answer: (d) A-iv B-ii C-iii D-i

45. Which state has the maximum percentage of Jain population as per 2011 census? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 2)

- a) Delhi
- b) Rajasthan
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Gujarat

Answer: (c) Maharashtra

46. Consider the following statements:

1. The Eastern Ghats and Western Ghats meet at the Nilgiri Hills.
2. The Thar Desert is the most densely populated desert in the world.
3. The Patkai or Purvanchal ranges are part of the Eastern Himalayas.

4. The Satpura range is formed by a series of scarped plateaus on the south, generally at an elevation varying between 300-400 m above the mean sea level

Which of the statements above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 2)

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

Answer: (c) 1, 2 and 3 only

47. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Indian monsoon is divided into the Southwest Monsoon and Northeast Monsoon.**
- 2. The retreating monsoon is associated with the development of cyclonic depressions in the Bay of Bengal.**
- 3. The Western Disturbances are the primary cause of snowfall in the Himalayan region.**
- 4. El Niño is known to have an enhancing effect on the monsoon rains in India.**

Which of the statements above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 3)

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

Answer: (a) 1, 2 and 3 only

48. Which of the following states of India has the highest reserves of Chromite? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 3)

- a) Himachal Pradesh
- b) Maharashtra
- c) Rajasthan
- d) Odisha

Answer: (d) Odisha

49. Life expectancy of men in India as per 2011 census is _____. (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 3)

- a) sometimes less and sometimes greater than that of women in India.
- b) equal to that of women in India.
- c) greater than that of women in India.
- d) less than that of women in India

Answer: (d) less than that of women in India

50. Which state has the highest male literacy rate as per 2011 census? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 4)

- a) Lakshadweep
- b) Kerala
- c) Goa
- d) Mizoram

Answer: (b) Kerala

51. Which of the following rivers are west flowing rivers? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 4)

- A) Tapi
- B) Narmada
- C) Krishna
- D) Godavari
- a) A,B
- b) B, C, D
- c) A, B, C
- d) A, C

Answer: (a) A,B

52. Consider the following statements:

1. India is a net exporter of iron and zinc ores.
2. The Khetri Copper Belt in Rajasthan is a significant copper-producing region in India.
3. The majority of India's petroleum production comes from the offshore fields in the Bay of Bengal.
4. The Zawar mines in Rajasthan are famous for their zinc and lead reserves.

Which of the statements above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 17th Jan 2024 Shift 4)

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

Answer: (d) 1, 2 and 4 only

53. Jarawa tribes can be found majorly in which part of India? (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 1)

- a) Andaman & Nicobar islands
- b) Kerala
- c) Madhya Pradesh
- d) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: (a) Andaman & Nicobar islands

54. Match the following dams with the rivers they are built upon. (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 1)

- | Dam | River |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Jojava Dam | A. Kabini River |
| 2. Ravishankar Dam | B. Tapi River |
| 3. Ukai Dam | C. Narmada River |
| 4. Banasura Sagar Dam | D. Mahanadi River |

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

Answer: (c) 1-C, 2-D, 3-B, 4-A

55. Which of the following statement is correct about natural resources? (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 1)

I. Resources that are drawn from Nature and used without much modification are called natural resources.

II. Natural resources can be broadly categorized into renewable and non-renewable resources.

- a) Neither I nor II
- b) Only I
- c) Only II
- d) Both I and II

Answer: (d) Both I and II

56. Generally tribes are found in all parts of India but which of the following area is NOT associated with major tribal population of India? (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 2)

- a) Delhi
- b) Jharkhand
- c) Lakshadweep islands
- d) Andaman & Nicobar islands

Answer: (d) Andaman & Nicobar islands

57. Which of the following statement is correct about human made resources?

I. People use natural resources to make buildings, bridges, roads, machinery and vehicles, which are known as human made resources.

II. Technology is not a human made resource. (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 2)

- a) Only II
- b) Only I
- c) Both I and II
- d) Neither I nor II

Answer: (c) Both I and II

58. Which of the following statements about the Godavari river are correct?

- 1. The river rises in the Sahyadris, near Trimbakeshwar in the Nashik district of Maharashtra.**
- 2. At Dowlaiswaram, the river divides into two branches, the Gautami and Vasishta.**
- 3. The Gautami branch joins the Bay of Bengal flowing through the Yanam enclave of Union Territory of Puducherry.**
- 4. On the north, it is bound by the Balaghat and the Mahadeo ranges stretching forth from the eastern flank of the Western Ghats. (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 2)**

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

Answer: (b) Only 1, 2 and 3

59. Which of the following strait separated Sri Lanka from India? (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 3)

- a) Strait of Malacca
- b) Palk strait
- c) Bering Strait
- d) Strait of Tartary

Answer: (b) Palk strait

60. Which of the following rivers rise from the Eastern Ghats?

- 1. Hemavathi
 - 2. Nagavali
 - 3. Malaprabha
 - 4. Vamsadhara (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 3)
- a) 1 and 2 only
 - b) 1 and 3 only
 - c) 3 and 4 only
 - d) 2 and 4 only

Answer: (d) 2 and 4 only

61. Which of the following can be regarded as element of weather and climate?

I. Temperature

II. Precipitation (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 3)

- a) Only II
- b) Neither I nor II
- c) Both I and II
- d) Only I

Answer: (c) Only I and II

62. Which of the following countries does not share land boundary with India? (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 4)

- a) Bangladesh
- b) Bhutan
- c) Myanmar
- d) Tajikistan

Answer: (d) Tajikistan

63. Which of the following statement is correct about Great Himalaya? (IB ACIO 18th Jan 2024 Shift 4)

I. The folds of Great Himalayas are symmetrical in nature.

II. The core of this part of Himalayas is composed of granite.

- a) Only II
- b) Only I
- c) Neither I nor II
- d) Both I and II

Answer: (a) Only II

64. Karakoram, a mountain range, is of great geopolitical significance as:

- 1. It connects India and China
- 2. It serves as a watershed for the basins of the Indus and Yarkand rivers

3. The borders of India, China, Pakistan along Afghanistan and Tajikistan all converge within the Karakoram system

Select the correct answer using the codes given below. (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 1)

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

Answer: (c) Only 2 and 3

65. A river drains the water collected from a specific area, is known as? (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Dendritic area
- b) Catchment area
- c) Watershed
- d) Drainage Basin

Answer: (b) Watershed

66. Consider the following statements in reference to Qara Tagh Pass.

- 1. It is located in the state of Arunachal Pradesh.
- 2. It is an offshoot of the Great Silk Road and is situated in the Karakoram Mountains.
- 3. It connects Arunachal Pradesh with Tibet.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 18th February 2021 shift 2)

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

Answer: (b) Only 2

67. Chenab, the largest tributary of the Indus river, is also known as _____. (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Bhagirathi
- b) Kosi
- c) Chandrabhaga
- d) Giri

Answer: (c) Chandrabhaga

68. Consider the following statements regarding Khardung La Pass.

- 1. It is the highest motorable pass in India.
- 2. It is the gateway to the Nubra and Shyok Valleys.
- 3. It is situated to the North of Mount Godwin-Austen.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 1)

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

Answer: (d) Only 1 and 2

69. Phawngpui or the Blue Mountain is the highest peak in the state of _____. (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Uttarakhand
- b) Kerala
- c) Mizoram
- d) Sikkim

Answer: (c) Mizoram

70. Which among the following soil is commonly used for bricks? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) Alluvial
- b) Laterite
- c) Black
- d) Peaty

Answer: (b) Laterite

71. The Bhima river is a tributary of which of the following rivers? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Narmada
- b) Krishna
- c) Damodar
- d) Chambal

Answer: (b) Krishna

72. Which of the following factors determines the climate of India?

- 1. Latitude
- 2. Ocean currents
- 3. Distance from the sea

Select the correct answer using the codes given below. (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 2)

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

Answer: (b) 1, 2 and 3

73. हिमालय के संबंध में निम्नलिखित कथनों पर विचार करें:

- 1. हिमालय भारत की जलवायु को प्रभावित करने में बहुत महत्वपूर्ण भूमिका निभाता है।
- 2. हिमालय पर्यटन गतिविधियों के लिए उपयुक्त नहीं है।
- 3. हिमालय पर्वत प्रणाली कई नदियों का स्रोत है।
- 4. हिमालय में कोई भी खनिज नहीं होता है।

ऊपर दिए गए कथनों में से कौन सा/से सही है/हैं? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) 2 और 3

- b) 1 और 3
- c) 1 और 4
- d) केवल 2

Answer: (b) 1 और 3

74. मोटेरा स्टेडियम कहाँ स्थित है? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) वाराणसी
- b) इंदौर
- c) अहमदाबाद
- d) पुणे

Answer: (c) अहमदाबाद

75. गिपमोची पर्वत चीन, भूटान के साथ-साथ किस भारतीय राज्य में स्थित है? (IB ACIO 19th February 2021 shift 3)

- a) सिक्किम
- b) असम
- c) अरुणाचल प्रदेश
- d) मणिपुर

Answer: (a) सिक्किम

76. What is the height of elevation of the Peninsular plateau? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 1)

- a) 300 m
- b) 250-500 m
- c) 600-900 m
- d) 150 m

Answer: (c) 600-900 m

77. Which of the following is a feature of the Peninsular river system in India?

1. The Peninsular rivers receive water only from rainfall.
2. These rivers flow across the young fold mountains and are still youthful in age.
3. These rivers have small basins and catchment area.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below. (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 1)

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

Answer: (a) 1 and 3

78. Which of the following evidence proves that the Himalayas are still rising?

1. The frequent occurrence of earthquakes in the Himalayan region shows that the Himalayas have not yet attained an isostatic equilibrium and they continue to rise further.
2. The Himalayan rivers have small basins and catchment area.

3. Some of the fossil formations found in the Shivalik hills are also available in the Tibet Plateau.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below. (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 2)

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

Answer: (d) 1 and 3

79. What is one - half of the wave height called? (IB ACIO 20 th February 2021 shift 2)

- a) Wave speed
- b) Wave amplitude
- c) Wave period
- d) Wave frequency

Answer: (b) Wave amplitude

80. Which among following statements about Satpura Range is/are correct?

- 1. Mountain Range Satpura and Vindhya Found in the Eastern part of India.
 - 2. The range, the name of which means "Seven Folds," forms the watershed between the Narmada (north) and Tapi (south) rivers.
 - 3. It peaks more than 4,000 feet (1,200 metres) high, the Satpura Range includes the Mahadeo Hills to the north, the Maikala Range to the east, and the Rajpipla Hills to the west.
- a) 2 and 3
 - b) 1 and 3
 - c) 1 only
 - d) 2 only

Answer: (a) 2 and 3

81. Mariana Trench, the deepest part of Earth, lies in the _____ Ocean.

- a) Pacific
- b) Indian
- c) Atlantic
- d) Arctic

Answer: (a) Pacific

82. Consider the following statements about alluvial soils.

- 1. One of the most important and fertile soils of India they support the growth of a wide variety of crops such as rice, wheat, sugarcane, cotton, jute, potato and vegetables.
- 2. Alluviums are fine particles of rock materials carried in suspension and later deposited by the river in its bed and bank.
- 3. Alluvial soils are not formed by the deposition of silt by the rivers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 3 only

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

Answer: (b) 1 and 2 only

83. Consider the following statements about natural phenomena.

- 1. Penitentes are formed in high altitudes where sunlight turns ice directly into water vapour rather than melting it to water.**
- 2. During an eruption in volcanoes ash picks up so much friction that the build up of static electricity causes lightning.**
- 3. Salar de Uyuni is the world's largest salt flat at 10582 km^2 and holds around half the world's reserves of lithium.**
- 4. Fire rainbows are caused by fire or rain.**

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

Answer: (b) 1, 2 and 3 only

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