

Current Affairs Daily MCQs (8)

1. The official largest Gold holder after USA is
 - 1) China
 - 2) India
 - 3) Germany
 - 4) IMF (International Monetary Fund)

Sol: (3)

Order of highest Gold reserves:

- 1) USA
- 2) Germany
- 3) IMF
- 4) India is in 11th position

2. Consider the following
 - a) India is the 11th largest Gold holding nation
 - b) IMF (International Monetary Fund) holds the largest Gold reserves after USA.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a only
- 2) b only
- 3) Both
- 4) None

Sol: (1) -- (b) USA (1) -> Germany (2) -> IMF (3) is the order of highest Gold reserves owning nations.

3. Consider the following
 - a) As per the 'Global E-Waste Monitor 2014' compiled by UN, India is fifth largest e-waste generator in the world.
 - b) US, China, Japan and Germany are the top four e-waste generator in that order.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a only
- 2) b only
- 3) Both
- 4) None

Sol: (3)

4. Consider the following
 - a) As per 'Global E-waste Monitor 2014', report compiled by UN, the e-waste generated by India is nearly as much as that generated in entire African Continent.

- b) China is the highest per capita producer

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a only
- 2) b only
- 3) Both
- 4) None

Sol: (1) -- (b) The top per capita producers are

- 1) Norway
- 2) Switzerland
- 3) Iceland

5. E-Waste contains which of these hazardous materials

- a) Arsenic, Beryllium, Cadmium, Mercury, Uranium
- b) Arsenic, Strontium, Selenium, Mercury,
- c) Arsenic, Beryllium, Cadmium, Mercury, Selenium
- d) Selenium, Strontium, Cadmium, Uranium

Sol: (c)

6. Consider the following

- a) Japan recently tested the world's fastest train by breaching the 600 km/hour barrier.
- b) The train is based on advance bullet train technology.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a only
- 2) b only
- 3) Both
- 4) None

Sol: (1) -- (b) The train is based on Maglev (Magnetic Levitation) technology.

7. Consider the following

- a) Data on Central Government's tax revenue shows that from 1990 – 91 to 2009 – 10, the share of direct taxes in total tax revenues witnessed steady increase.
- b) Since 2009-10, the above share has been declining largely due to service tax emerging as a major source of revenue.

Select the correct ans:

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

4) None

Sol: (3)

8. The SLIM (Smart Lander for Investigating the Moon) is a space project envisaged by which country?
- 1) USA
 - 2) China
 - 3) Japan
 - 4) UK

Sol: (3)

9. The largest Harappan (Indus Valley) site is
- 1) Dholavira
 - 2) Lothal
 - 3) Rakhigarhi
 - 4) Kalibangan

Sol: (3)

10. Which of these aren't true regarding the Indus valley Civilisation?
- 1) Female had a higher social standing than males
 - 2) Vedic tenets were strictly followed for burial of dead.
 - 3) Rakhigarhi in Haryana is the largest Harappan site spanning nearly 350 hectares area.
 - 4) There were no sporadic remains of bones of cattle and sheep next to deceased

Sol: (4) There were sporadic remains of bones of cattle and sheep next to deceased in consumer with animal offering references in Rig Veda.

11. Japan recently tested a train which ran at speeds exceeding 600 km/h based on
- 1) Maglev technology
 - 2) Bullet train technology
 - 3) Both the above
 - 4) None of the above

Sol: (1) Maglev => Magnetic levitation

12. Consider the following
- a) During the recent ASI excavation at Lothal, it was found that female deceased were offered more than double number of earthen ware as compared to opposite sex at the burials.
 - b) People of India strictly followed the Vedic tenets to cremate the dead

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a only
- 2) b only
- 3) Both
- 4) None

Sol: (2) -- (a) The discovery was made at Rakhigarhi by ASI not at Lothal

13. The Bibek Debroy committee has been setup to look into

- 1) Restructure Railways
- 2) Privatise Railways
- 3) Deregulate oil/gas pricing
- 4) Feasibility of implementing GST (Goods and Service Tax)

Sol: (1)

14. The world's nuclear warheads have dropped dramatically. The country with largest such weapons after USA and Russia is

- 1) China
- 2) France
- 3) UK
- 4) Pakistan

Sol: (2)

15. The largest defence importers after India is:

- 1) Pakistan
- 2) Saudi Arabia
- 3) Brazil
- 4) Israel

Sol: (2)

16. Consider the following

- a) The gross enrolment ratio (GER) for higher education is presently 21%
- b) The RUSA (Rashtriya Uchchatar Siksha Abhiyan) envisages increasing GER to 32% by 2020.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a only
- 2) b only
- 3) Both
- 4) None

Sol: (1) -- (b) The RUSA envisages increasing GER to set by 2017 (End of 12th Plain Period)

17. Consider the following

- a) The juvenile justice Act will be changed to allow trials of juveniles aged 16-18, accused of heinous crimes, as adults under IPC (Indian Penal Code)
- b) The courts will decide whether an accused juvenile ought to be treated as an adult or child.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a only
- 2) b only
- 3) Both
- 4) None

Sol: (1) -- (b) Juvenile Justice Board setup based on 'JJ Act' decide whether an accused juvenile ought to be treated as an adult/child.

18. Consider the following

- a) The Centre can unilaterally decide to setup a Tiger Reserve in states if it is satisfied
- b) The National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) has to approve the proposal before declaring any area as a tiger reserve.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a only
- 2) b only
- 3) Both
- 4) None

Sol: (2) -- (a) The states have to send a proposal regarding setting up tiger reserves to NTCA before it is finally approved by centre.

19. 'El-Nino' refers to

- a) Warming of sea surface temperature in Atlantic Ocean
- b) Warming sea surface temperature in Pacific Ocean
- c) Cooling of sea surface temperature in Atlantic Ocean
- d) Cooling of sea surface temperature in Pacific Ocean

Sol: (2)

20. Consider the following

- a) El-Nino
- b) Sea Surface Temperature (SST) between north Atlantic and North Pacific Oceans
- c) SST in equatorial south Indian Ocean
- d) Warm sea level pressures around East Asia.
- e) Land and surface air temperature in North West Europe and equatorial Pacific warm waters.

Which are the factors/indicators are used for making south west monsoon forecast?

- 1) a b c d
- 2) b c d e

- 3) a b d e
- 4) a b c d e

sol: (4)

21. Which of these are not true regarding juvenile

- 1) Juvenile jurisprudence is governed by Child Labour (Prevention) Act.
- 2) Juvenile Justice Boards will take final Call in sensitive matters regarding grouping/presenting them as juvenile or adults
- 3) The Government plans to try juvenile in 16-18 years group as adults under IPC for serious crimes.
- 4) Juvenile Justice Board is headed by a High Court Judge.

Sol: (1) -- Juvenile jurisprudence is governed by Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection) Act.

22. Consider the following

- a) The Met defines average or normal rainfall as between 96% and 104% of a 50 year average of 89 cm for entire 4 month season.
- b) El Nino Modoki are observed on the Atlantic Ocean.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a only
- 2) b only
- 3) Both
- 4) None

Sol: (1) -- (b) El Nino Models is observed on central Pacific Ocean

23. The first Indian football player to play a competitive match for the senior side of a first division European side is

- 1) Sunil Chetri
- 2) Gurpreet Singh Sandhu
- 3) Navjot Singh Sidhu
- 4) Baichung Bhutia

Sol: (2) -- He is 23 year old goal keeper who turned out for Stabaek FC in a Norwegian Cup game.

24. The military unit which recently completed 200 years of its formation/existence is

- 1) Assam Rifles
- 2) Gorkha Rifles
- 3) Border Security Force (BSF)
- 4) Crown Representative Police or CRPF (now)

Sol: (2) -- Gorkha Rifles will complete 200 years of soldering a feat to be celebrated in India/UK.

25. The state in India with highest Agricultural dependence of 33% as a proportion of state GDP (Gross Domestic Product) is

- 1) Uttar Pradesh
- 2) Maharashtra
- 3) Madhya Pradesh
- 4) Rajasthan

Sol: (3)

26. The Indian state with highest Agricultural dependence after Madhya Pradesh is:

- 1) Gujarat
- 2) Tamil Nadu
- 3) Maharashtra
- 4) Uttar Pradesh

Sol: (4)

27. Consider the following

- a) Foreign sector banks with 20 or less branches are not subject to 40% Priority Sector Lending (PSL) obligations
- b) Loans extended to Solar power and Biomass based generators come under the PSL obligations.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a only
- 2) b only
- 3) Both
- 4) None

Sol: (3)

28. Consider the following

- a) India's service exports are estimated at below \$ 150 billion accounting for less than 50% of annual merchandise exports
- b) IT and IT enabled services contribute a large part of these exports.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a) only
- 2) b) only
- 3) Both
- 4) None

Sol: (2) -- (a) India's services sector exports are estimated at slightly over \$ 150 billion accounting for more than 50% of annual merchandise exports.

29. This personality was the first Prime Minister of pre independence undivided Assam who later became a Chief Minister. Who is he?

- 1) Kanakrata Barera
- 2) Gopinath Bordoloi
- 3) Tirot Singh

4) Nangoninza Sangma

Sol: (2)

30. The freedom fighter who designed the tri colour for India is:

- 1) Mohd Iqbal
- 2) Sardar Patel
- 3) Bankim Chandra Chatterji
- 4) Pingali Venkayya.

Sol: (4)