

Current Affairs Daily MCQs (11)

1. The anti austerity Blockupy movement arose in which EU member nation.

- 1) France
- 2) Germany
- 3) Britain
- 4) Italy

Sol: (2)

2. Recently the 'Chitrapata' theatre play was nominated for 2015 META (Mahindra Excellence in Theatre Awards). It is a folk

- 1) Retelling of Mahabharata
- 2) Retelling of Jataka tales
- 3) Retelling of Ramayana
- 4) Retelling of Panchatantra

Sol: (3)

3. The Chairman of Central Water Commission is

- 1) A.B. Pandya
- 2) Manjunath Badiger
- 3) Ravindra Poojary
- 4) Abhishek Majumdar

Sol: (1)

4. Which among these nations produces nearly 95% of their power using renewable energy

- 1) USA
- 2) Costa Rica
- 3) Philippines
- 4) Japan

Sol: (2)

5. The little singing sensation from Udupi who recently won the Zee TV's 'Sa Re Ga Ma Pa' competition is

- 1) Venkatesh
- 2) Chandrashekar
- 3) Yaduveer
- 4) Gagan Gaonkar

Sol: (4)

6. Consider the following

- a) India has planned capital account convertibility in financial SEZs (Special Economic Zone) in Gujarat
- b) It was based on T.S.R. Subramaniam Committee recommendations

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (1) -- (b) It was based on Percy Mistry Committee recommendations

7. Consider the following regarding TB (Tuberculosis)

- a) India has the highest TB burden in the world with over 2.3 million new cases every year
- b) India has the highest spending per patient among BRICS nations.

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (1) -- (b) India has the lowest spending per patient (\$ 28) among BRICS nations

8. Consider the following

- a) Supreme Court (SC) struck down Sec 66A of Information Technology (IT) Act as violation of Article 19 (1) (a) [freedom of speech and Expression]
- b) SC took away Government's power to block websites if their content had potential to create communal disturbances, social disorder or affect India's relationship with other countries.

Select the correct ans

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

Sol: (1) -- (b) SC allowed Government to block websites for to create communal disturbances, social disorder or affect India's relationship with other countries.

9. Consider the following regarding the National Film Awards 2014. Which is not true.

- 1) Kangana Ranaut won best actress award
- 2) Sanchari Vijay won the best actor award
- 3) Best popular film was won by 'Bhaag Milkha Bhaag'
- 4) Vishal Bhardwaj was adjudged best music director.

Sol: (3) -- 'Mary Kom' was adjudged best popular film

10. 'Family Life' which took nearly 15 years to complete was awarded the prestigious Folio Prize for literature 2015. Its author is
- 1) Amitav Ghosh
 - 2) Neel Mukherji
 - 3) Akhil Sharma
 - 4) Kounteya Sinha

Sol: (3)

11. Consider the following

- a) The Percy Mistry Committee has recommended greater capital account convertibility in financial SEZs
- b) Greater capital account convertibility will allow corporate sector to raise foreign currency loans in such SEZs the way they do overseas right now.

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (3)

12. Consider the following regarding the recent Supreme Court (SC) judgement on Sec 66A of IT Act:

- a) SC opined that the internet is intelligibly indifferent from traditional media and hence are to be treated alike.
- b) SC upheld Sec 69A IT Act dealing with web blocking and internet censorship provision

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (2) -- (a) SC opined that internet is intelligibly different requiring additional laws to be passed by Indian Parliament.

13. Consider the following regarding the National Awards 2014:

- a) Sanchari Vijay won the Best Actor Award for his role in Kannada movie 'Naanu Avanalla Avalu'
- b) Priyanka Chopra won Best Actress Award for her role in 'Mary Kom'

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a only

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

Sol: (1) -- (b) Kangana Rannut won Best Actress Award for her role in 'Queen'

14. The Indian who received the 'Stockholm Water Prize' is:

- 1) M.S. Swaminathan
- 2) Rajendra Singh
- 3) Swami Sahajanand
- 4) Rina Srinivasan

Sol: (2)

15. The Karnataka biologist who was recently selected by World Economic Forum (WEF) as 'Young Global Lender' is

- 1) Ashwini Nachappa
- 2) Krithi Karanth
- 3) J.J. Shoba
- 4) Vandana Shangabh

Sol: (2) Krithi Karanth was recognised for role as a wildlife biologist and Conservationist.

16. Consider the following

- a) The Piracy High Risk Area (HRA) has been extended to 78° East longitude covering entire Arabian sea, including India's coast & EEZ (Exclusive Economic Zone)
- b) This has led to international shipping traffic to virtually hug our coast, increasing insurance costs and proliferation of floating armouries.

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (3)

17. Recently, NASA's Mars Rover Curiosity discovered which of these life essential gas

- 1) Oxygen
- 2) Carbon dioxide
- 3) Phosphorus
- 4) Nitrogen

Sol: (4)

18. Recently Shashi Kapoor was awarded the Dadasahib Phalke Awards. Consider the following
- Dadasahib Phalke's first feature length film was 'Raja Harishchandra' released in 1913 and was a silent film.
 - He belonged to silent era and his career faded with introduction of sound in Cinema.

Select the correct ans:

- a only
- b only
- Both
- None

Sol: (3)

19. The Gandhi Peace Prize 2014 has been awarded to which Indian institute
- BEL (Bharath Electronic Limited)
 - DRDO (Defence Research and Development Organisation)
 - ISRO (Indian Space Research Organisation)
 - TERI (The Energy Research Institute)

Sol: (3)

20. 'Houthis' are a Shia tribe recently in news for replacing their president through popular demonstration in Middle East. They belong to:
- Saudi Arabia
 - Iran
 - Yemen
 - Iraq

Sol: (3)

21. Recently ISRO was awarded Gandhi Peace Prize 2014. Consider the following about the award
- Gandhi Peace Prize was instituted in 1995 for political, social, and economic transformation through non violence.
 - Nelson Mandela, Vaclav, Julius Nyerere, Baba Amte, Archbishop Desmond Tutu are some of its recipient.

Select the correct ans:

- a only
- b only
- Both
- None

Sol: (3)

22. Which person of Indian origin from California, called 'California's Hillary Clinton', is on track to become Senator.
- Kamala Harris

- 2) Anju George
- 3) Kamala Bos
- 4) Preet Bansal

Sol: (1)

23. The Australian batsman who recently died after sustaining a head injury from a bouncer was
- 1) Michael Clarke
 - 2) Phil Hughes
 - 3) Mitchell Starc
 - 4) Steve Smith

Sol: (2)

24. The prestigious Asia Pacific Brand Laureate Award was recently awarded to which Indian
- 1) Kailash Satyarthi
 - 2) Sri Shivakumar Swamiji
 - 3) Sri Sri Balagangadharanath
 - 4) Sri Sri Ravishankar

Sol: (4)

25. The first women officer to die in the line of duty was
- 1) Lt. Kiran Shekawat
 - 2) Sudha Murthy
 - 3) Jwala Gutta
 - 4) Saina Nehwal

Sol: (1)

26. Consider the following regarding recent Election Commission (ECI) move
- a) ECI has instructed Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) of all states and Union Territories to display Candidate photographs on EVMs or Ballot papers alongside their names and symbols.
 - b) This measure is aimed at curbing the menace of dummy candidates put by rivals.

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (3)

27. Consider the following
- a) 'Gizmo' is the robot which was able to have conversations in Japanese and was sent to ISS (International Space Station) to act as a companion to lonely astronauts in space.

b) It recently came back safely from ISS on February 10 – 2015

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (2) -- (a) The name of the Japanese robot is 'Kirobo'

28. Which of these is not an aircraft Carrier in India.

- 1) INS Virant
- 2) INS Vikramaditya
- 3) INS Sindhughosh
- 4) INS Vikranth

Sol: (3)

29. Consider the following

- a) The Hari Gautam Committee has been set up to review the working of the UGC (University Grants Commission)
- b) It has recommended that UGC is doing a good job and should be continued with slight modifications.

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (1) -- (b) The Hari Gautam Committee has recommended formation of National Higher Education Authority in place of UGC after condemning UGC failures

30. The present US Ambassador to India is:

- 1) Richard Verma
- 2) Rahul Mukherjee
- 3) Sanjay Rajwar
- 4) Jaldip Chauhan

Sol: (1)