Current Affairs Daily MCQs (15)

- 1. Consider the following regarding 'Saraswati Samman'
 - a) It was instituted by Times Group in 1991.
 - b) It is given annually for an outstanding literacy work in any Indian language mentioned in Schedule III of the constitution

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (2) (a) It was instituted by K.K. Birla Foundation in 1991.

- 2. Consider the following:
 - a) German Pharma major Boehringer Ingelhiem (BI)'s asthma drug 'Spiriva's' patent has been revoked by India under Sec 3(d) of Patent Act.
 - b) Earlier Novartis lost its monopoly on block buster anti Cancer 'Glivec' 2 years ago under the same sec 3(d).

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (3) Sec 3(d) of Patent Act -> Patent can be revoked on grounds that it lacks on inventive stop fails to demonstrate Therapeutic efficiency, as well as requirements.

- 3. Consider the following
 - a) The present chief of IMF (International Monetary Fund) is Dominique Strauss Kahn.
 - b) The chief of IMF is usually a European

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (2) (a) The present chief of IMF is Christine Lagarde.

- 4. 'Badami' was recently selected under the HRIDAY Programme to be developed as Heritage City, it is located in which district.
 - 1) Bagalkot
 - 2) Raichur

- 3) Gulburga
- 4) Belgaum.

Sol: (1)

- 5. Consider the following
 - a) Writer Girish Karnad was chosen as 'Fellow of Sahitya Akademi' recently
 - b) The 'Fellow' is the highest honour reserved for immortals of literature and limited to 21 people at any given point of time.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a) only
- 2) b) only
- 3) Both
- 4) None
- Sol: (2) (a) Writer S.L.Bhyrappa was chosen as 'Fellow of Sahitya Akedemi' recently.
 - 6. Consider the following regarding Planet Mercury
 - a) Mercury has a dark and decidedly non silvery surface.
 - b) The reason for this same is the close proximity to the Sun and prevalent high temperature.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a) only
- 2) b) only
- 3) Both
- 4) None
- Sol: (1) (b) The reason for the apparent darkness is due to its coating with billions of years of Carbon dust dumped on by passing comets.
 - 7. Which famous personality was given the Bharat Ratna in 2015 posthumously
 - 1) Balagangadhar Tilak
 - 2) Surya Sen
 - 3) Madan Mohan Malviya.
 - 4) Gopalkrishna Gokhole.

Sol: (3)

- 8. Which among these nations is not part of P5+1 team led by USA to negotiate a nuclear agreement north Iran.
 - 1) Italy
 - 2) United Kingdom
 - 3) Germany
 - 4) France

- 9. Consider the following regarding Tuberculosis (TB)
 - a) The biggest reason for TB in Africa is HIV whereas in India it is malnutrition
 - b) TB claimed one life in India every 2 minutes

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (3)

- 10. Consider the following
 - a) The Government of India (GOI) has under taken a massive study on the effects of Electromagnetic Fields (EMF) particularly radiating from cell phone towers on human health.
 - b) The EMF limit permitted in India is 750 milli watts square metre.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a) only
- 2) b) only
- 3) Both
- 4) None
- Sol: (1) (b) EMF permissible limit is 450 milli watts per square metre.
 - 11. Consider the following
 - a) The DOTS (Directly Observed Treatment, Short course) offers TB (Tuberculosis) patients and their families nutritional support and counselling through behavioural change of healthcare providers along with treatment
 - b) HIV is the primary reason for the high occurrence of TB in India.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a) only
- 2) b) only
- 3) Both
- 4) None
- Sol: (1) (b) Malnutrition is the primary reason
 - 12. Consider the following, which is not true?
 - a) The Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) is a mechanism managed under WTO (World Trade Organisation).

- b) The PCT filings assist applicants in seeking patent protection internationally for their inventions.
- c) China is the largest user of PCT system followed by India, among BRICS Grouping.
- d) In India organic fine chemistry and Pharma led the PCT filings.

Sol: (a) PCT is a mechanism under WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organisation)

- 13. Which Indian women shuttler recently was crowed World No.1 for the first time.
 - 1) Jwala Gutta
 - 2) Ashwini Ponappa
 - 3) Joshna Chinappa
 - 4) Saina Nehwal

Sol: (4)

- 14. The President of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) is
 - 1) Zip Blatter
 - 2) Srinivasan
 - 3) Thomas Bach
 - 4) Jagmohan Dalmiya

Sol: (3)

- 15. Consider the findings from the Census 2011
 - a) More than 90% of women are married by the age of 25 years.
 - b) There is a decreasing trend of men and women not marrying at all.

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (1) (b) There is an increasing trend of men and women not marrying at all.

- 16. Consider the following
 - a) Karnataka retained the Ranji Trophy cricket title by beating Tamil Nadu.
 - b) Sunil Joshi was Karnataka's Captain

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (1) (b) Vinay Kumar is Karnataka's cricket Captain

- 17. The year 2015 16 has been declared 'Kannada Year' to
 - 1) Create awareness among Public
 - 2) To mark the Chief Minister 18th Budget
 - 3) To commemorate 100 years Kannada Sahitya Parished
 - 4) To commemorate recognition of Kannada as a Classical Language.

Sol: (3)

- 18. 'Kanaja' Project of Karnataka Government envisages
 - 1) Developing treasury software
 - 2) Developing Kannada encyclopaedia
 - 3) Developing vehicle registration software
 - 4) Developing property registration software

Sol: (2)

- 19. Consider the following
 - a) India is considered as an important destination for start ups and is the world's third largest start up hub.
 - b) India is yet to create an incubation fund for start ups.

Select the correct ans:

- 1) a) only
- 2) b) only
- 3) Both
- 4) None
- Sol: (1) (b) India has recently created an incubation fund for start ups.
 - 20. The Tipu Sultan University in Karnataka is being setup at
 - 1) Bangaluru
 - 2) Mysore
 - 3) Srirangapatna
 - 4) Pandavapura

Sol: (3)

- 21. The offshore Patrol Vehicle recently launched by Modi at Mauritius is
 - 1) MCGS Barracuda
 - 2) MCGS Barmuda
 - 3) MCGS Quadra
 - 4) MCGS Arabian Sea

Sol: (1)

22. Consider the following

- a) The Fourteen Finance Commission has recommended doing away with Plan and Non Plan distinctions in the Budget.
- b) Subsidies form a part of Plan Expenditure

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (1) (b) Subsidies form a part of Non Plan Expenditure

23. Consider the following

- a) Commercial Banks are entering mobile payments space in a big way.
- b) The mobile payments platform of HDFC Bank is known as 'Pockets' whereas that of ICICI Bank's platform is known as 'Chillr'

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (1) (b) Bank Mobile Banking

ICICI Pocket

HDFC Chillr

24. Consider the following

- a) The Information Commissions is a completely judicial body with judicial power
- b) The tenure of Chief Information Commissions (CIC) is 3 years or 65 years, whichever is early.

Select the correct ans:

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

Sol: (2) 4)

The Information Commission is to quasi judicial body with powers to award penalty and compensation.

Term: 5 years or 65 years

25. The name of the pilot who flew the world's first solar plane 'Solar Impulse' to India is 1) Filipe Massa 2) Raikonnen 3) Bertrand Piccard 4) Sebastian Vettel Sol: (3) 26. Consider the following regarding the recent Supreme Court judgement on Educational institutions (EI) a) The surplus income earned by EI's can be taxed. b) Imparting education can be termed as 'for profit 'activity simply because it yielded high returns. Select the correct ans: 1) a) only 2) b) only 3) Both 4) None Sol: (4) a) As per the latest of SC judgement, the surplus income earned by El's can't be taxed. (b) Accordingly, imparting education can't be termed as 'for profit' activity simply because it yielded high returns. 27. The 'Blockupy movement' was launched in Germany recently. Its motive was/is 1) Anti Terrorism 2) Anti austerity 3) Anti Capitalism 4) Anti EU Sol: (2) 28. Who among the following were the recipient of the 2015 Dada Sahab Phalke Award

- 1) Amitabh Bachan
- 2) Shashi Kapoor
- 3) Raj Kapoor
- 4) Anil Kapoor

Sol: (2)

- 29. Which famous Karnataka scientist has been elected as the member of Australian Academy of Science, the first Indian to be elected -
 - 1) C.N.R. Rao
 - 2) U.R. Rao

- 3) Abdul Kalam
- 4) Madhav Gadgil

Sol: (1)

- 30. The Indian who was recently selected for the 2015 Tyler Prize 2015 for Environmental achievements is:
 - 1) Kasturirangan
 - 2) Madhav Gadgil
 - 3) Vandana Shiva
 - 4) Priya Pillai

Sol 2)