

TARGET PRELIMS- 2019
Test-26

1. Consider the following statements regarding Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC):

1. It is of 15 oil-exporting developing nations that coordinates and unifies the petroleum policies of its member countries.
2. United Arab Emirates has announced its withdrawal from (OPEC) from January 2019.
3. OPEC member countries accounted for an estimated around 50% of global oil production

Select the correct statements using given code below:

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

2. Which of the following is/are true with respect to the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank?

1. Non – Asian entities are provided with finance if they are involved in infrastructure projects in Asia.
2. It will finance both government and non – governmental agencies.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

3. Recently, the 4th summit of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) was held in Nepal. In this context, select which of the following pair of countries is part of both SAARC and BIMSTEC?

- (a) Sri Lanka and Bangladesh
- (b) Maldives and Afghanistan
- (c) Bhutan and Thailand
- (d) Nepal and Pakistan

4. Which among the following statements is/are correct about New Development Bank?

1. The bank finances both public and private infrastructure projects in developing non-BRICS economies also.
2. Only RIC (Russia, India and China) countries enjoy the “Veto” Power.
3. The bank provides technical assistance to all the sustainable development projects in BRICS countries.

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

5. Recently India was elected to ‘United Nations Human Rights Council’ (UNHRC). In this context, consider the following statements with respect to UNHRC:

1. UNHRC is an inter-governmental body within United Nations system and is responsible for strengthening promotion and protection of human rights across the globe.
2. Members of UNHRC serve for three-year terms and can serve only two terms in a row.
3. UNHRC does not have authority to take action on countries which violates Human rights.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

6. Which of the following is *not* a member of ‘Gulf Cooperation Council’?

- (a) Iran
- (b) Saudi Arabia
- (c) Oman
- (d) Kuwait

7. Which of the following statement(s) about the International Court of Justice (ICJ) is/are Correct?

1. It is the principal judicial organ of the United Nations.
2. Only States are eligible to appear before the Court in contentious cases.
3. The International Court of Justice has no jurisdiction to try individuals accused of war crimes or crimes against humanity.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

8. Amnesty International is

- (a) an agency of the United Nations to help refugees of civil wars
- (b) a global Human Rights Movement
- (c) a non-governmental voluntary organization to help very poor people
- (d) an inter-governmental agency to cater to medical emergencies in war-ravaged regions

9. Consider the following statements with regards to “Rashtriya Rail Sanrakshakosh” of Ministry of Railways:

1. It is a safety fund called to be utilized for track improvement, bridge rehabilitation work and improved inspection work.
2. It is lapsable fund created by Ministry of Finance.
3. The Rail Safety Fund was set up based on the recommendation of a committee headed by Anil Kakodkar.

Which of the above statements are correct using the code given below:

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

10. With reference to a grouping of countries known as BRICS, consider the following statements:

1. The First Summit of BRICS was held in Rio de Janeiro in 2009
2. South Africa was the last to join the BRICS grouping.

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

11. Consider the following countries:

1. Denmark
2. Japan
3. Russian Federation
4. United Kingdom
5. United States of America

Which of the above are the members of the 'Arctic Council'?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3
- (b) 2, 3 and 4
- (c) 1, 4 and 5
- (d) 1, 3 and 5

12. In the Mekong- Ganga Cooperation, an initiative of six countries, which of the following is/are not a participant/ participants?

1. Bangladesh
2. Cambodia
3. China
4. Myanmar

5. Thailand

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4
- (c) 1 and 3
- (d) 1, 2 and 5

13. With reference to the 'Indian Ocean Rim Association for Regional Cooperation (IOR ARC)', consider the following statements:

- 1. It was established very recently in response to incidents of piracy and accidents of oil spills.
- 2. It is an alliance meant for maritime security only.

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

14. 'Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action', often seen in the news, is

- (a) a strategy to tackle the regional terrorism, an outcome of a meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization
- (b) a plan of action for sustainable economic growth in the Asia-Pacific Region, an outcome of the deliberations of the Asia-Pacific Economic Forum
- (c) an agenda for women's empowerment, an outcome of a World Conference convened by the United Nations
- (d) a strategy to combat wildlife trafficking, a declaration of the East Asia Summit

15. Consider the following countries:

- 1. China
- 2. France
- 3. India
- 4. Israel
- 5. Pakistan

Which among the above are Nuclear Weapons States as recognized by the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, commonly known as Nuclear Non Proliferation Treaty (NPT)?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 3, 4 and 5 only
- (c) 2, 4 and 5 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

16. The term 'Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership' often appears in the news in the' context of the affairs of a group of countries known as

- (a) G20

- (b) ASEAN
- (c) SCO
- (d) SAARC

17. Consider the following statements:

1. The International Solar Alliance was launched at the United Nations Climate Change Conference in 2015.
2. The Alliance opens to all the member countries of the United Nations.

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

18. What is/are the importance/ importances of the ‘United Convention to Combat Desertification’?

1. It aims to promote effective action through innovative national programmes and supportive international partnerships
2. It has a special/particular focus on South Asia and North Africa regions, and its Secretariat facilitates the allocation of major portion of financial resources to these regions.
3. It is committed to bottom up approach, encouraging the participation of local people in combating the desertification.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

19. With reference to the International Monetary and Financial Committee (IMFC), consider the following statements:

1. IMFC discusses matters of concern affecting the global economy, and advises the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on the direction of its work.
2. The World Bank participates as observer in IMFC’s meetings.

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

20. With reference to ‘Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)’, consider the following statements:

1. It is an organization of European Union in working relation with NATO and WHO.
2. It monitors chemical industry to prevent new weapons from emerging.
3. It provides assistance and protection to States (Parties) against chemical weapons threats.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

21. With reference to the 'Trans Pacific Partnership', consider the following statements:

1. It is an agreement among all the Pacific Rim countries except China and Russia.
2. It is a strategic alliance for the purpose of maritime security only.

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

22. 'Doctors without Borders (Medecins Sans Frontieres)', often in the news, is

- (a) A division of World Health Organization
- (b) A non-governmental international organization
- (c) An inter-governmental agency sponsored by European Union
- (d) A specialized agency of the United Nations

23. With reference to the role of UN-Habitat in the United Nations Programme working towards a better urban future, which of the statements is/are correct?

1. UN-Habitat has been mandated by the United Nations General Assembly to promote socially and environmentally sustainable towns and cities to provide adequate shelter for all.
2. Its partners are either governments or local urban authorities only.
3. UN-Habitat contributed to the overall objective of the United Nations system to reduce poverty and to promote access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

24. 'Broad-based Trade and Investment Agreement (BTIA)' is sometimes seen in the news in the context of negotiations held between India and

- (a) European Union
- (b) Gulf Cooperation Council
- (c) Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
- (d) Shanghai Cooperation Organization



25. With reference to ‘Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Housing and Urban Development (APMCHUD)’, consider the following statements:

1. The first APMCHUD was held in India in 2006 on the theme ‘Emerging Urban Forms – Policy Responses and Governance Structure’.
2. India hosts all the Annual Ministerial Conferences in partnership with ADB, APEC and ASEAN.

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