

Que-1 Consider the following statements about World Oceans Day

- 1- World Oceans Day is celebrated annually on 10th June.
- 2- The theme for World Oceans Day this year is "Revitalization: Collective Action for the Ocean."
- 3- The Oceans Institute of Canada brought the idea of celebrating global ocean day at the Earth Summit of the UN Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) in 1992.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

Que-2 With reference to Brain tumours, consider the following statements

- 1- Brain tumours are lumps or growths of abnormal cells that occur in a youngster's brain or nearby tissue and structures.
- 2- Almost every brain tumours are cancerous.
- 3- World Brain Tumour Day is observed every year on June 8th.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

- a) 1 only b) 1 and 3 only

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

Que-3 What are 'carbon bombs'?

- 1- It is "an oil or gas project that will result in at least a billion tonnes of CO2 emissions over its lifetime."
- 2- Term is coined by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

Que-4 What are 'green jobs', mentioned by PM in his Environment Day speech?

- 1- 'Green jobs' refer to a class of jobs that directly have a positive impact on the planet, and contribute to the overall environmental welfare.
- 2- The Skill Council for Green Jobs was launched by the Union government on this year Environment Day.
- 3- Jobs involving renewable energy, conservation of resources, ensuring energy efficient means are categorised under the same.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

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

Que-5 With reference to State Food Safety Index (SFSI), consider the following statements

1- To measure the performance of States across five parameters of food safety in an effort to galvanize States/UTs to work towards ensuring safe food for citizens.

2- SFSI was started in 2018-19 with the aim of creating a competitive and positive change in the food safety ecosystem in the country.

3- The index will help in providing safe and nutritious food to the citizens.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

Que-6 With reference to Unified Payments Interface (UPI), consider the following statements about

1- It's an instant real-time payment system developed by National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).

2- It facilitates only inter-bank peer-to-peer (P2P) transactions.

3- The interface is regulated by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and works by

instantly transferring funds between two bank accounts on a mobile platform.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

Que-7 With reference to Monetary policy, consider the following statements

1- The primary objective of the RBI's monetary policy is to maintain price stability while keeping in mind the objective of growth.

2- Under Section 45ZB of the amended RBI Act, 1934, the central government is empowered to constitute a ten-member Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) to determine the policy interest rate required to achieve the inflation target.

3- The MPC shall consist of the RBI Governor as its ex officio chairperson, the Deputy Governor in charge of monetary policy, an officer of the Bank to be nominated by the Central Board, and seven persons to be appointed by the central government.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

Que-8 With reference to Minimum support price, consider the following statements

1- Minimum Support Price (MSP) is a form of market intervention by the Government of India to insure agricultural producers against any sharp fall in farm prices.

2- The minimum support prices are announced by the Government of India at the beginning of the sowing season for certain crops on the basis of the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP).

3- The major objectives are to support the farmers from distress sales and to procure food grains for public distribution.

Which of the following given above is/are correct

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

ANSWER

- 1- (d)
- World Oceans Day is celebrated annually on 8 June.
 - World Oceans Day is observed to highlight the importance of water bodies as they provide shelter to countless fauna and flora which provide us with life-saving oxygen. Furthermore, it is celebrated to generate awareness about human activities like dumping plastic pollution, garbage disposal, oil leaks to send a message to save the oceans.
 - The Oceans Institute of Canada brought the idea of celebrating global ocean day at the Earth Summit of the UN Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED) in 1992. After 16 years, the UN General Assembly passed a resolution in 2008 to designate 8 June as World Oceans Day.
- 2- (b)
- The large majority of the brain tumours are non-cancerous but irrespective of their nature all of them creates a pressure inside the brain.
 - Observed every year on June 8th since 2000, World Brain Tumour Day is marked to raise awareness and

educate people about brain tumours and pay tribute to those affected by it.

- The brain is enclosed in a thick bone called skull which is needed to protect the brain but if any tumour grows in the brain, it adds on to the limited space present in the skull and as the tumour grows, it increases the pressure in the brain which causes symptoms. The large majority of the brain tumours are non-cancerous but irrespective of their nature all of them creates a pressure inside the brain.

3- (a)

- Whenever coal, oil, or gas is extracted it results in pollution and environmental degradation. Further, carbon emissions take place in particularly large amounts when fuel is burned.
- The usage of the term 'carbon bombs' picked up after an investigative project of The Guardian from May this year. The project reported the plans of countries and private companies all over the world to engage in 195 'carbon bomb' projects. Each such project, it is believed, will release huge amounts of CO₂ emissions into the atmosphere.

4- (b)

- In all, they're aimed at reducing the negative environmental impact of economic sectors and furthering the process of creating a low-carbon economy.

- The Skill Council for Green Jobs was launched by the Union government on October 1, 2015. Aligned to the National Skill Development Missions, it was set up to be a not-for-profit, independent, industry-led initiative. Promoted by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) and the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), the council aims to help manufacturers and other service providers in India's 'green business' sector to implement industry-led, collaborative skills push the country on the path to truly realising the real potential and significance of 'green jobs'.

5- (c)

- The State Food Safety Index (SFSI) measures the performance of States on the basis of five parameters prescribed by the Health Ministry. The rating is done by the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI).
- Tamil Nadu topped the State Food Safety Index this year, followed by Gujarat and Maharashtra this year. Among the smaller States, Goa stood first, followed by Manipur and Sikkim.

Among the Union Territories, Jammu and Kashmir, Delhi and Chandigarh secured first, second and third ranks.

6- (b)

- It facilitates inter-bank peer-to-peer (P2P) and person-to-merchant (P2M) transactions.

7- (a)

- The primary objective of the RBI's monetary policy is to maintain price stability while keeping in mind the objective of growth. Price stability is a necessary precondition to sustainable growth.
- The first such MPC was constituted on September 29, 2016.
- Section 45ZB lays down that "the Monetary Policy Committee shall determine the Policy Rate required to achieve the inflation target", and that "the decision of the Monetary Policy Committee shall be binding on the Bank".
- Under Section 45ZB of the amended RBI Act, 1934, the central government is empowered to constitute a six-member Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) to determine the policy interest rate required to achieve the inflation target.

- The MPC shall consist of the RBI Governor as its ex officio chairperson, the Deputy Governor in charge of monetary policy, an officer of the Bank to be nominated by the Central Board, and three persons to be appointed by the central government.

8- (c)

- Minimum Support Price (MSP) is a form of market intervention by the Government of India to insure agricultural producers against any sharp fall in farm prices. The minimum support prices are announced by the Government of India at the beginning of the sowing season for certain crops on the basis of the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP).
- MSP is price fixed by Government of India to protect the producer - farmers - against excessive fall in price during bumper production years. The minimum support prices are a guarantee price for their produce from the Government. The major objectives are to support the farmers from distress sales and to procure food grains for public distribution. In case the market price for the commodity falls below the announced minimum price due to bumper production and glut in the market, government agencies purchase the

entire quantity offered by the farmers
at the announced minimum price.

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