

## Prelims Practice Questions 04-01-2018

01. Consider the following statements.

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1. Balsam species are commonly known as Jewel Weeds.
2. The genus name 'Impatiens' signifies the impatient nature of the fruits which explode when touched.
3. They are distributed only in Eastern Himalayas.

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Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

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02. Consider the following statements.

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1. Currently, the Centre disburses the Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Plantation Authority (CAMPA) funds to the States on a needs-basis.

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2. Presently, cess (CAMPA fund) collected from industries that have used forest land for project, directly go into the Consolidated Fund of India.
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Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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- a. 1 only
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  - b. 2 only
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  - c. Both 1 and 2
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  - d. Neither 1 nor 2
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03. Consider the following statements.

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- 1. The recently approved Zojila tunnel in Jammu & Kashmir will provide connectivity between Srinagar and Leh.
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  - 2. The project will be implemented by Border Roads Organisation under the Ministry of Defence.
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Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

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04. Consider the following statements.

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1. All North-South Highways carry odd numbers.

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2. North-South highways will increase their numbers from West to East.

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Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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a. 1 only

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b. 2 only

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c. Both 1 and 2

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d. Neither 1 nor 2

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05. Recently, India has called off an order to buy Spike anti-tank guided missile. The missile was supposed to buy from which one of the following countries?

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a. France

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b. USA

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c. United Kingdom

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d. Israel  
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06. Which of the following are the general features to Amaravati School of art?

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1. The figures are carved out of white marble.  
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  2. They are well modelled with long legs and slender frames.  
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  3. The Central characters are human beings.  
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  4. Kings, princes and palaces figure prominently in sculptural representations.  
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Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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- a. 1, 2 and 3 only  
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  - b. 2 and 3 only  
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  - c. 1, 2 and 4 only  
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  - d. 1, 2, 3 and 4  
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07. Which inscription mentions both Kalidasa and Bharavi by name?

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- a. Prayag Prashasti of Samudra Gupta

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- b. Talagunda Pillar inscription of Kakusthavarma
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  - c. Aihole Prashasti of Pulikesin
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  - d. Girnar Prashasti of Rudradaman
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08. The real cause for the rise of new religions in 6th century B.C. was?

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- a. The Kshatriya's reactions against the domination of the priestly class called Brahmana.
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  - b. Spread of a new agricultural economy in Gangetic plain.
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  - c. The vaishya's reactions against the Brahmanical laws (Dharmasutras).
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  - d. The reaction of Shudras and other lower classes.
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09. Alauddin Khalji introduced market reforms and price control system. Which of the following is/are the objectives of market reforms and price control?

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- 1. Strengthening the army.
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  - 2. To punish major market players.
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  - 3. Welfare of the people.
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Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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a. 1 only

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b. 2 and 3 only

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c. 1 and 3 only

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d. 1, 2 and 3

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10. The term 'jins-i-kamil' during medieval times denotes

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a. Group of traders

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b. Cash crops

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c. Luxury cloth from Central Asia

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d. None of these

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### **Answers & Explanations**

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Balsam species are distributed throughout Western Ghats, Eastern Himalayas, Sri Lanka, South East Asia, Africa and Madagascar.

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2. a

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Presently, funds collected under CAMPA directly go into the Public Account of India.

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3. a

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The Zojila tunnel project will be implemented by National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited under the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.

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4. d

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All North-South Highways carry even numbers. North-South highways will increase their numbers from East to West.

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5. d

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6. d

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7. c

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8. b

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The Vedic practice of indiscriminately killing cattle stood in the way of development of agriculture. If the new agricultural economy has to be stable the killing has to be stopped.

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9. a

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Ala-ud-din Khilji's military ambitions required a standing and strong army, especially after the Mongol siege of Delhi. Maintaining a large army at regular salaries, however, would be severe drain on the treasury. A system of price controls reduced the salary amount that needed to be paid.

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10. b

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***Share your answers and thoughts in the comment section***

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