

Prelims Practice Questions 21-11-2017

1. Consider the following statements regarding the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for the Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP).

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1. At present, the CPTPP has 12 members including USA and Canada.

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2. The pact includes the nation states bordering Pacific Ocean only.

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3. The proposed pact is to replace Trans-Pacific Partnership.

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Select the correct answer using the following code.

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a) 1 and 2 only

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b) 1 and 3 only

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c) 3 only

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d) 2 and 3 only

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2. Consider the following statements regarding Haj committee of India

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1. The Haj committee of India is established by executive action.

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3. The Haj committee comes under the Ministry of External Affairs.

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Select the correct answer using the following code.

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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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3. Consider the following statements regarding National Anti-Profiteering Authority (NAA),

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1. The Authority is mandated to ensure that the benefits of the reduction in GST rates are passed on to the ultimate consumers.

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2. In all cases, the NAA can ask company to transfer amount to the 'Consumer Welfare Fund', as provided under Section 57 of CGST Act.

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Select the correct answer using the following code.

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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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4. Consider the following statements regarding the newly discovered parasitic plant, *Gleadovia konyakianorum*.

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1. The species is named in honor of the Konyak tribe of Meghalaya.

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2. It is a holoparasite that derives its entire nutritional requirement from the host plant.

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3. Another parasitic plant species *Gleadovia banerjiana* was discovered in Manipur.

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Select the correct answer using following code.

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a) 1 and 2 only

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b) 2 only

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c) 1 and 3 only

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d) 2 and 3 only

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5. Consider the following statements

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1. The Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) is a statutory body under the Ministry of Culture.

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2. Film Certificate Appellate Tribunal is a statutory body.

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Select the correct answer using the following code.

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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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6. Which of the following National Parks is unique in being a swamp with floating vegetation that supports a rich bio-diversity?

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a) Bhitarkanika National Park

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b) Keibul Lamjo National Park

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c) Keoladeo Ghana National park

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d) Sultanpur National Park

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7. What can be the impact of excessive/inappropriate use of nitrogenous fertilizers in agriculture?

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1. Proliferation of nitrogen-fixing microorganisms in soil can occur.

\n 2. Increase in the acidity of soil can take place.

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3. Leaching of nitrate to the ground-water can occur.

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Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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a) 1 and 3 only

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b) 2 only

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c) 2 and 3 only

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d) 1, 2 and 3

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8. Early Europeans in India have made some of the settlements in India as part of their trading and administrative centers. In this context, consider the following pairs:

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| <i>Nationality</i> | <i>Settlement</i> |
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| 1. French | : | Pondicherry |
| 2. Danish | : | Serampore |
| 3. Portuguese | : | Daman |
| 4. British | : | Bengal |

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Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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a) 1 and 4 only

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b) 1,2 and 4 only

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c) 1, 3 and 4 only

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d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

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9. Consider the following statements regarding National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA)

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1. It is an agency of Prime Minister office whose Primary purpose is to coordinate response only to natural disasters.

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2. Prime Minister is ex-officio Chairman of National Disaster Management Authority

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3. After Gujarat Earthquake it was established in 2002 to administer all Natural Disasters.

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Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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a) 1 and 2 only

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b) 2 only

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c) 1 and 3 only

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d) 1, 2 and 3

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10. Which of the following is/are a direct source of information about the interior of the earth?

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1. Earthquake waves

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2. Gravitational force

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3. Volcanoes

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4. Earth magnetism

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Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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a) 3 only

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b) 1 and 4 only

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c) 2, 3 and 4 only

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d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

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Answers & Explanations

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1. (d)

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The proposed CPTPP does not include USA. Presently it has 11 members.

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2. (d)

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The Haj Committee of India is a statutory body established by Haj Committee of India Act, 2002. The committee is under the Ministry of Minority Affairs.

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3. (a)

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Only when the intended beneficiaries are not identified then the NAA directs the companies to transfer the amount to the Consumer Welfare Fund.

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4. (d)

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The species name is *Gleadovia konyakianorum*, in honour of the Konyak tribe of eastern Nagaland.

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5. (b)

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Both the Central Board of Film Certification and its appellate body, Film Certificate Appellate Tribunal are statutory bodies established under Cinematography act, 1952. They are under the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.

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6. (b)

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7. (c)

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Increasing the amount of nitrogen based fertilizer does not lead to more micro-organisms in the field. Nitrogen fertilizers break down into nitrates and travel easily through the soil. Because it is water-soluble and can remain in

groundwater for decades, the addition of more nitrogen over the years has an accumulative effect.

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8. (d)

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9. (b)

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National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) is an agency of the Ministry of Home Affairs whose primary purpose is to coordinate response to natural or man-made disasters and for capacity-building in disaster resiliency and crisis response. It was established through the Disaster Management Act enacted in December 2005, post Tsunami. PM is the ex-officio chairperson of NDMA.

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10. (a)

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Volcanoes bring magma to the surface from which we can know about the interior of the earth. The other options do not tell anything directly about the earth's interior.

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Share your answers and thoughts in the Comment Section

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