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1. **Ans. (c)**

Explanation:

Free radicals must be neutralized as they are likely disturb hormonal and enzyme balance related to body. Also they project calls from the damage caused by unstable Molecules, known as freedom radicals.

2. **Ans. (c)**

Explanation:

IVC dependent on crops and Animals husbandry - chief crops was wheat, rice, dates, melon, green vegetables. Indus Valley Civilization was a secular civilization with no trace of theocratic or organized religion been followed. Cotton textiles were produced during the Harappan period as shown by artefact evidences, Jawaharlal Nehru writes in Discovery of India that the IVC was highly developed, took thousands of years to reach the stage.

3. **Ans. (c)**

Explanation:

Lower Gangetic plain provides humid climatic conditions with high temperature which is suitable for production of the paddy crop characterised by swamps and sunderbens. In fact, West Bengal is the largest producer of paddy, overtaking Andhra Pradesh. Jute too requires similar climatic conditions and here too West Bengal tops in Jute production. Temperature of Jutes, from 20°C to 40°C and humidity 70% to 80%.

4. **Ans. (a)**

Explanation:

The sub-tropical high pressure belts are a biotic in nature hence they bring little rainfall to the African and Eurasian desert region a for instance the Gobi cold desert doesn't come under the influence of any warm currents.

5. **Ans. (c)**

Explanation:

The stratosphere is very dry land air contains little water vapour. Clouds and thunderstorms are dangerous to aircraft and water-vapours and other weather phenomena causes changes in air density, which too is not optimal for flight. Most importantly a jet aircraft achieves most efficient flight in low density air. Vertical winds or convection currents due to weather activity causes turbulence which too is dangerous to flight. In normal circumstances, a jet aircraft will fly around a thunderstorm.

6. **Ans. (c)**

Explanation:

Biodiversity high in tropic region, and low in polar region. So more species found in low latitude comparing to higher latitudes, known as latitudinal gradient in species diversity.

7. **Ans. (b)**

Explanation:

Syntaxial bending is the primary cause for sudden 'U' turn of rivers. Indus and Brahmaputra rivers do a 'U' turn because of the bending of the Himalayan Mountains. However, even uplift of folded mountains too is a cause for such sudden 'U' turn and some analysts favour this option too. But uplift of folded mountains occurs throughout the Himalayan range. If this would have been the major cause, then rivers like Mahakali, Teesta too should have shown such 'U' turn. Thus, I believe that option (b) alone is the right option. The Brahmaputra forms the deepest canyons of the world Grand Canyon, Brahmaputra (OR) Yarlang Tsangpo is place where it takes great bend.



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8. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

The states Gujarat and Karnataka have similar geographical features in their Northern territories. But, Karnataka doesn't cultivate more cash crops than food crops in its Northern region. The states Gujarat and Karnataka have similar geographic features.

9. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

'Virtual Private Network' are popular amongst bigwig corporate who wish to have secured communications through public Internet Service Providers but have an arrangement with the ISPs to make the data transfer safe and confidential. VPN is a method of computer networking typically using the public internet, that allows users to privately share information.

10. Ans. (c)

Explanation: Dharma means law (OR) natural law, and is a concept of central importance in Indian Philosophy and religion. In the context of Hinduism, it refers to one's personal obligations, calling and duties and Hindu Dharma is affected by the person's age, caste, class, occupation and gender. Rita is the physical order of Universe, the order of sacrifice, moral law of the world. Because of rita, sun and the moon pursue their daily journeys, across the sky and seasons proceed in regular movement. Vedic religion for belief that rita was assisted by Mitra. In Indian religion and philosophy, the cosmic order mentioned in Vedas, the ancient sacred scriptures of India.

11. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

'Brent crude oil' is actually a major classification of crude oil which is sourced mainly from the North Sea. The BP company is famous for producing Brent crude oil.

12. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

Though the function of heavy water is both to slow down the speed of reactors and of cooling down the reactor through heat transfer, the correct option is (a) only as heavy water is largely used for the former's purpose.

13. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

No special representation for minorities is given under the Constitution. Article 30(1) in the constitution of India, 1949, all minorities, whether based on religion or language, shall have the right to establish and administer educational institutions of their choice, Hence I is a correct statement.

According to prime Minister's 15 point programme scheme, the minorities can get equitable share in rural housing schemes as a certain percentage of the physical and financial targets under Indira Awaaz Yojana will be earmarked for poor beneficiaries from minority communities living in rural areas. President appoints only two Anglo Indian's in Lok Sabha.



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14. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

The recently enacted policy on welfare of persons with disability envisages all the three provisions as given in the statements.

15. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

'Mega Food Parks' are intended to promote entrepreneurship through diffusion of technology. The other statements are correct.

16. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

Any withdrawal of amount from the Consolidated Fund of India must be approved from the Parliament as given in Article 266.

17. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

Article 266 in The constitution of India 1949, consolidated funds and public accounts of India and of 10 states (1), subject to the provisions of Article 267 and to the provision of this chapter with respect to the assignment of the whole (OR) part of the net proceeds of certain taxes and duties to states, All revenues received is by the Government of India.

18. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

Micro-finances has credit and fund transfer facilities. Saving are not accepted by MFIs. But some analysts think that micro-finance also involves savings as done by Self Help Groups. The Economic Survey 2009-10 points that MFIs are non-deposit taking institutions. Thus option (b) is the correct answer.

19. Ans. (d)

20. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

Trans - fats are a by - product of hydrogenation not made of animal fat and not likely to damage cardiovascular health.

21. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

Any adult member of rural household can seek work under MGNREGA.

22. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

India cannot seek to fill vacuum created by the termination Cold War which contradicts our non-alignment stance.



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23. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

This is perhaps the most contentious question given this time. Option (d), though favoured by many, is not tenable as the only single way for the resignation of Prime Minister and Union Council of Ministers is a defeat in the Lok Sabha through the No Confidence Motion. Unless that is passed, it is deemed that the Council of Ministers enjoy the confidence of the House.

Referring to Rajya Sabha may seem correct but the significance of Rajya Sabha is very low in financial matters.

The correct answer is option (a). The logic behind this is that if the Budget has not been passed owing to some policy disagreement by legislators over taxation or expenditure and the Government intends to modify them and bring in a modified budget acceptable to all, it is completely valid for the Government to withdraw the budget and pass a modified one.

24. Ans.(a)

Explanation:

Fundamental Duties prescribed by the constitution of India under part (IV-A) to its every citizen, and TO vote in the public election is not included in the fundamental duties.

25. Ans.(d)

Explanation:

Article 280 has provisions with regard to Finance Commission.

26. Ans.(d)

27. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

Jain philosophy emphasizes over liberation of souls and its transmigration. It believes in a universal soul and seeks reunification of mortal soul with the immortal. However, it also emphasizes over Universal Truth through which it seeks to understand the reality. Hence, option (d) is more suitable in this case.

28. Ans. (d)

Explanation

Salinization leads to intense water logging which means filling air spaces in the soil with water. Making soil impermeable though happens is one of long term change.

29. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

The IVUN, Red Data Book of threatened species is the state document established for documenting rare and endangered species of animals, plants and fungi and local sub species. That exist within the territory of the state (or) country. This book provides central information for studies and monitoring programmes on rare endangered species and their habits.

30. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

'Teaser loans', which has a feature of lending at lesser premium interest rates in the beginning and later incrementing them heftily after a certain period, are at present given to credit worthy home buyers.



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31. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

Artificial satellites are human built objects ordinary in the earth and other planets in the solar system. Artificial satellites does not fell down because the earths attraction produces the necessary acceleration for its motion in a curved path.

32. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

Except for the slowdown in the year 2008-09, the Indian economy has consistently grown and an incrementing rate.

33. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

The largest credit disbursement to agriculture and allied sector comes from the schedules commercial banks, as a part of their commitment to priority sector lending. Cooperatives come second while regional rural banks stand third.

34. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

All the three are essential for inclusive growth as the inclusive growth concept itself is based both economic and social empowerment of ordinary and underprivileged individuals.

35. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

The year 1991-02 was the beginning of (Government equity of) central public sector enterprises in Disinvestment. 1999-2000 it was then changed from the sole of minority shares in small slots to strategic sale viz, large block of shares along with the transfer of Management. Control to a strategic partner identified through a process of competitive bidding.

Objective of Disinvestment :-

1. To improve performance of units.
 2. To reduce budgetary deficits.
 3. To overcome the problem of political investment in PSUS.
- Enable the Government to concentrate on social development.

36. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

Comets are well spread over the entire solar system. Asteroids are a class of small solar system bodies in orbit around the sun. They are called planet oids, especially the larger ones. Asteroids formed as small rocky key and metallic bodies of the inner system out to the orbit of Jupiter. They are grouped with the erector body centaurs, Neptune Trojans, trans Neptunian objects as minor planets. A large majority of known asteroids orbit in the asteroid belt between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter (OR) co-orbital with Jupiter.

Comets are small, fragile, irregularly shaped bodies composed of a mixture of non-volatile grains and frozen gases. High elliptical orbit bring them very close to the sun and Suring them deeply into the space,



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often beyond the orbit of Pluto, Is Kupier Belt. Comets shows little perceptible motion from night to night, and visible in naked eye, whereas asteroids do not show any such tail.

37. Ans.(b)

Explanation:

Inflation means increase in price's of all goods and services. Which gives economic growth at overtime. The connection between the level of production and the level of prices also holds for the rate of change of production (that is, the rate of economic growth) and the rate of change of prices, that is inflation rate.

38. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

Bank rate is the rate at which the RBI lends to the Commercial Banks. So, when the rate is reduced, banks borrow more and lend more to retail loan seekers thus infusing more liquidity, meaning higher off take of currency supply, in the system.

39. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

Coriolis force is dependent only on the rotation of the Earth. So, it is nearly constant from similar latitudinal distance from either side of the equator.

40. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

Malacca straits is very narrow and a canal across Kra Isthmums links South Asia to China. In fact, China has already made agreements with Myanmar to undertake this project.

41. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

While the first three statements are well known, the fourth one of pollination of crops is explicitly mentioned in the many programmes related to biodiversity.

42. Ans. (d)

Explanation: Aspartame is several times sweeter. Aspartime used as a sugar substitute in some foods and beverages, it is an artificial non-Sacchan'de sweetener used as a sugar. It is approximately 200 times sweeter than sucrose, (OR) table sugar. By this property, though aspartime produces four kilocalories of energy per gram when Mobilized, the quantity of aspartime needed to produce a sweet taste is so small that its caloric contribution to negligible.

43. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

In 1893, Sir William became the liberal member of parliament. In the Indian parliamentary committee was established on which Sir William Wedder burn, NOC. Caine and Lord Glycol worked, and secured the support of some independent and labour members it tried to present the Indian problem in Parliament in their true shape.

It was William Wedderburn who was able, with the help of other supports of the congress in getting through a resolution in the House of commons for holding simultaneously civil service examinations in England and India. It encouraged wedderburn and he invited some of the leading independent members of the House of common's to a dinner in order to discuss the information of an Indian parliamentary



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committee for the purpose of promoting combined and well - directed action among those particularly interested in Indian affairs". He was elected president of the Indian National Congress in 1889 and 1910.

44. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

The lifespan of LEDs is more than that of CFLs and are also more energy efficient. Thus, LEDs are used in traffic signal lights.

45. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

This technology was in news recently as it was used by BP to contain the oil spill in the East coast of America.

46. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

Couple with AB positive blood group consist of A+ and B+ gene and with O Negative blood group consist of O-gene. At gene is dominant over O-gene which results into A+ blood group in one child. B+ genes is dominant over O-gene. Which results into B+ blood group in other child. So the blood group of the adopted son would be O positive.

47. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

Only this aspect of Leo Tolstoy thought was borrowed by Gandhi

48. Ans (a)

49. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

The thickness of Blue Ray disc is actually small than the DVD.

50. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

The Nehru Report recommended that a declaration of Rights should be inserted in the constitution assuring the fullest liberty of conscience and religion.

The following were the recommendations advanced by the Nehru Report

1. India should be given the status of a dominion.
2. There should be federal form of Government with residuary powers rested in the confer.
3. India should have a pastiventry from of government headed by a Prime Minister and six Ministers appointed by the Governor General.
4. There should be bi-cameral legislature.
5. There should be no separate electorate for any community.
6. System of weightage for minorities was a bad as that of separate electorates.
7. Reservation of Muslim Seaks could be possible in the province where Muslim population was at (least) ten percent, but this was to be in strict proportion to the size of community.
8. Muslim's should enjoy one-fourth representation in central legislature.



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9. Sindh should be separated from Bombay only if the committee certified that it was financially self sufficient.
10. The N.W.F.P should be given full provincial status.
11. A new Kanarese - speaking province Karnatic should be established in South India.
12. Hindi should be made the official language of India.

Complete independence was not recommended by the Nehru Report - In December 1929, the congress held its annual session of Lahore. Jawaharlal Nehru was the president at this session. In this session, the congress debarred 'Purna Swaraj' or complete independence as its ultimate goal.

51. Ans. (b)

Explanation: Orchids require cold temperature and moist environment to grow.

52. Ans. (b)

Explanation: Botanical garden is an ex-situ conservation site.

53. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

The Metropolitan Planning Committee plays an advisor role rather than an executive role.

54. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

- Last working day of February Government presents the annual budget for next financial year.
- No ruling (or) new government after elections to propose or debate on budget.
- Outgoing Government announce an interim budget (or) vote on accept in February. Which will be followed by full budget by New Government.
- Vote-on-account:- No money can be spent by the government without parliament approving it. So after Government presents the account of expenditure and income, the parliament approves it. Only after this Government get to spend the money.
- A Vote-on-account deals only with the expenditure side of the government's budget, on interim budget is a complete set of accounts. Including both expenditure and receipts.

55. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

IMF is an Intergovernmental organisation handling Macro economic policies of its established members in particular those with an impact on exchange rate, and balance of payments, it provides loans only to member countries.

56. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

All three are mentioned in the UN Declaration on Human Rights. Indeed, the right to food becomes the basis for World Food Programme of the UN. So, it is the right to education for UNICEF.

57. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

All the processes help in bringing nutrients to the sea surface which promotes algal growth.



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58. Ans. (c)

Explanation: Photosynthesis does not add to carbon cycle.

59. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

The Australia Group (AG) is an informal forum of countries which, through the harmonisation of export controls, seeks to ensure that exports do not contribute to the development of chemical or biological weapons. AG consists all UNCTAD members - AG has no member from Africa.

The Wassenaar arrangement has established to contribute to regional and International security and stability by promoting transparency and greater responsibility in transfer of conventional arms and dual use goods and technologies. Participating of Wassenaar are Argentina, Australia, Africa, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech, Germany, Hungary, Greece, USA etc.

60. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

Ice is of course a bad conductor of heat but one is not sure whether that is the actual cause for freezing is surface of lake while letting the bottom in liquid state. Density of water being maximum at 4°C may also be a correct option as that is the cause for anomalous expansion of water.

61. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

Indian Wild Ass is actually a threatened species available in the Rann of Kutch which is saline and sandy.

62. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

La Nina technically operates over Pacific Ocean but since it is found hovering over Port Darwin and South-East Asian region which is adjacent to Indian Ocean, it remains to be seen how the UPSC considers this point. The second statement is false as La Nina is favourable to monsoon.

63. Ans.(b)

Explanation:

The Permanent Settlement gave formal land ownership titles to zamindars which could be transferred to others if he failed to return revenue to the Company. This formalization of land titles and the consequent overlordship of the British made a flurry of legal petitions.

64. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

Indeed a majority of the Quit India Movement was carried by the labour class as they agitated through bands and hartals.

65. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

The tribals of India participated in the anti-social movements like other social groups. Anti colonial movements were two types, 1st the movements against their oppressors ie. landlords, Money-lenders, traders, the Kedaras (Contractors), government officials and Christian Missionaries.



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2nd - they were linked to merge with Indian National movements. the first types called Anti colonial movement.

66. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

Indian shipping industry was well established both in the ancient and medieval times. The priests and monks who flew to South-East Asia to preach and latter settled there helped in bridging contacts between the hosts and Indian rulers who patronized them.

67. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

Bluetooth is a proprietary open wireless technology standard for exchanging data over short distance using shortwave length radio transmissions in the ISM band form 2400 - 2800 MHz., from fixed and mobile devices, creating personal area networks (PAN) with high levels of security. Wifi can transmit frequencies of 2.4 GHz or 5 GHz, This frequency is much higher than the frequencies used for cellular phones, Walki-Talkies and televisions.

68. Ans. (d)

69. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

All wars waged in defence of India was put under Home Charges. In fact, the suppression of the 1857 Revolt itself was put under the 'Home Charges'. Salaries and expenses regarding to Indian officers were of course put under 'Home Charges' to be paid by Indians.

70. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

Famine had struck the district, large part of the Gujarte and virtually destroyed the agrarian economy. The poor peasants had barely enough to feed themselves, But British Government insisted to pay taxes to formers but - also increased 23%. It was became the main reason for the Kheda Satyagraha.

71. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

Option (a) may seem correct as VAT is value based and not destination based. But one has to carefully read the statement. It says VAT is multi-point destination based system of taxation which is understood as multiple chains of consumers paying their respective tax portions according to value addition.

VAT is a subject of legislation for the States and the States Sales Tax is actually a VAT which is major source of revenue for the State Governments.

72. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

Closed economy involves no export nor import as the country is deemed to be self-sufficient. Some say North Korea is an example of closed economy, although the Government over their do purchase arms from other countries clandestinely.



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73. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

Removal of bark of the tree means to unprotect the xylem tissue bundles which carry water from roots to all the parts.

74. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

The new strategic arms reduction Treaty is a nuclear arms reduction treaty between the United States of America and Russian Federation. It was signed on 8th April 2010.

75. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

Endemism is an important dimension why the Western Ghats, Sri Lanka and Indo-Burma regions are classified under biodiversity hotspots. Many species endemic to the region are threatened and are not found anywhere else in the world. The other statements of species richness and threat perception also follow.

76. Ans. (b)

77. Ans. (c)

78. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

Tropical rain forests are deficient in nutrients due to intense leaching. Thus, species take a long time to grow.

79. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

The Himalayan ecosystem consists of tropical deciduous, temperate forests regions as well as montane forests and alpine vegetation. This is due to their geological evolution and uplifting of mountains.

80. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

All four Acts are related to biodiversity import and export of GMOs or exotic species is prohibited whereas certain medicinal plants are subjected to high custom duties or regulate their trade. Mines regulation and forest conservation anyway involve provisions related to biodiversity conservation.

81. Kari Marx explained the process of class struggle with the help of which one of the following theories?

- (a) Empirical liberalism
- (b) Existentialism
- (c) Darwin's theory of evolution
- (d) Dialectical materialism

Ans. (d)

Explanation:

Dialectical materialism is the major theme of Marxism.



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82. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

Long wavelength of radio waves help in long distance communications and they get reflected in ionic atmosphere.

83. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

FII is an investment made by an investor in the markets of a foreign nation. FDI is more preferred to the FII as they are considered to be the most beneficial kind of foreign investment for the whole economy. Hence FDI is more stable than FII. FDI targets only specific purpose.

84. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

The Bt-brinjal has genetically modified strains to resist the pest bollworm and other pests.

85. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

Statement 2 is incorrect as the 'Aam Admi Bima Yojana' covers landless labourers above the age of 18 years.

86. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

Bio-asphalt is bio-version of asphalt which is used for laying tar on roads. The statement 2 contradicts the other affirmative statements. Hence, the correct option is (b).

87. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

Combustion of coal or for that matter any fossil fuel releases carbon dioxide and oxides of nitrogen and sulphur

88. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

Geostationary satellites are placed at an altitude of 36000 km which is the precise distance that is required to make them geosynchronous with Earth.

89. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

Statement 1 is partially correct as there is in fact a decline in the area of cultivation of food crops but is not as drastic as 30%. Indeed, the acreage of pulses and other coarse cereals have marginally increased whereas that of rice and wheat have decline. In any case, the decline 30% is incorrect.

90. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

DNA sequencing includes several methods and technologies that are used for determining the order of the nucleotide bases - adenine, guanine, thymine, cytosine. In a nucleotide of DNA. The modern sequencing technology has been instrumented. In the sequencing of the human Genome.

Application of Genomes Research:-



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- DNA forensics to determine pedigree for seed or livestock breeds.
- Agriculture, livestock breeding and bio processing. Healthier, more productive, disease resistant form animal breeds.

Understanding plant and animals genomes will allow us to create stronger, more disease - resistant plants and animals -n reducing the cost of agriculture and providing consumer with more nutrition's pesticide free foods.

91. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

The visits of foreign nationals to witness sports events like CWG mean Indians are exporting services to them. In fact, tourism itself is considered as an export sector.

Some analysts points to consumption as the correct answer, but they are mistaken. Just visiting to witness games like CWG need not involve much consumption as they might think. Hence correct option is (a).

92. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

A microbial Fuel cell is a device the converts chemical energy to electrical energy by the catalytic reaction of Micro organisms, have number of potential uses. Harvesting electricity produced for the use of power source. Virtually any organic material could be used to feed to fuel cell, including creeping cells to waste water treatment plants.

93. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

Fiscal stimulus involves affirmative action like tax breaks, boosting public investments etc to overcome the downward effect of business contraction.

94. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

Ozone depletion : The nitric acid in polar stratospheric clouds reacts with CFC: to form chlorine. Which Cataly Zes the photochemical destruction of zone.

The primary cause of chlorine containing gases (primarily CFC and related halocarbons). In the presence of UV light these gases clissaciate, releasing chbrine atoms. Which they go on to catalyze ozone destruction. The C1-catalyzed ozone depletion can take place in gas phase, but is dramatically enhanced in the presence of polar stratospheric clouds (Psc's).

95. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

All options are seemingly correct. Devaluation of currency helps to overcome large current account deficits as they help boost exports. Reduction in export subsidy may not necessarily mean that exports are not performing well and may also means by withdrawing the subsidies fiscal deficit is being reined and consequently improving the economic outlook.

FDI and FII strictly come under capital account but their promotion do bridge the current account deficit not directly but through make up for balance of payments.

Since, there are differing views over the context of the question, it remains to be seen how the UPSC evaluates the question. Hence, the correct option might be (d).



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96. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

District Planning Committees come under provision of Article 243ZD which is enacted through the 74th Constitutional Amendment Act.

97. Ans. (a)

Explanation:

Simlipal is quite interior to the hinterland of Odisha, though many might have wrongly guessed this option. The correct one is Bhitarkanika, option (a)

98. Ans. (c)

Explanation:

'Base effect' refers to a kind of statistical anomaly that causes steep hike or decline in the rate of price rise or fall because the current prices are compared relative to the previous period. If last year's price of certain articles is low and this year it has returned to its normal price, yet the rate of increase, which is relative to the last year's price, is shown high.

99. Ans. (b)

Explanation:

India has a majority population in the age bracket 15-64 years and hence benefits from demographic dividend.

100. Ans. (d)

Explanation:

Carbon credits are not traded at fixed prices under the aegis of the UN Environment Programme.

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