



EXCEL CIVILS ACADEMY

DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

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1. With reference to the Human Freedom Index 2020, consider the following statements:
 - 1) It is a worldwide ranking of civil, economic and personal freedom, released recently placed India at the 111th spot out of 162 countries.
 - 2) The index was published by UNESCO.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

2. What is 'SolarWinds hack'?
 - a) Solarstorm
 - b) Cyberattack
 - c) A group of asteroids
 - d) None of the above

3. With reference to the R cluster, consider the following statements:
 - 1) It is located about 60 kilometers from the existing KG D6 Control & Riser Platform (CRP) off the Kakinada coast.
 - 2) The field is the first of three Deepwater gas projects in the KGD6 block jointly developed by RIL and BP to come onstream.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

4. With reference to the GalSafe pigs, consider the following statements:
 - 1) US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved a first-of-its-kind intentional genomic alteration (IGA) in a line of domestic pigs referred to as GalSafe pigs.
 - 2) The pigs are the first GM animal to be approved for food in U.S.A.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

5. With reference to the great conjunction, consider the following statements:
 - 1) After nearly 400 years, Saturn and Jupiter will be brought closest in the night sky by an astronomical event called the "great conjunction".
 - 2) The "great conjunction" event is popularly referred to as the "Christmas Star".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

6. With reference to National Hydrology Project, consider the following statements:
 - 1) It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme to improve accessibility of water resources information.
 - 2) It is an initiative of the Ministry of Jal Shakti and supported by the World Bank.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

7. With reference to North Eastern Region Power System Improvement Project, consider the following statements:
 - 1) It receives assistance from the World Bank.

2) It is sponsored by the centre and States on a 60:40 basis.

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

8. With reference to New Development Bank, consider the following statements:

- 1) In it's ownership structure, only Russia and China have veto powers.
- 2) It has received an observer status in the United Nations General Assembly.

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

9. With reference to Parliamentary sessions, consider the following statements:

- 1) The power to convene a session of Parliament rests with the Government.
- 2) The Constitution provides for three fixed parliamentary sessions in a year.

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

10. Consider the following statements:

- 1) The Young Champions of the Earth prize was established by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in 2005.
- 2) The UNEP was established to guide and coordinate environmental activities within the United Nations (UN) system.
- 3) The Emission Gap Report is released by the UNEP.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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