

SNAP PAPER: (18-12-2011)SECTION - IVGENERAL AWARENESS

For all questions in this section, correct answers carry 1 mark each.

111. "Swayamsidha" is a scheme launched by the Government of India to help
- a. School Children only
  - b. Health workers only
  - c. Senior citizen without any regular income
  - d. Women only
112. What is 'Share swap'?
- A. A business takeover in which acquiring company uses its own stock to pay for the acquired Company.
  - B. When a company uses its own shares to get some short term loan for working capital requirement.
  - C. When companies are required to float a new issue to earn capital for their expansion programmes, each shareholder gets some additional preferential shares. The process is known as Share Swap.
- a. Only A
  - b. Only A & B
  - c. Only C
  - d. None of the above
113. Regarding "carbon credits" which of the following statements is not correct?
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- a. The carbon credits system was ratified in conjunction with Kyoto Protocol
  - b. Carbon credits are awarded to those countries or groups who have reduced the greenhouse gases below their emission quota
  - c. The goal of carbon credit system is to reduce carbon dioxide emission.
  - d. Carbon credits are traded at a price fixed from time to time by the United Environment Programme
114. Both Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) and Foreign Institutional Investor (FII) are related to investment in a country. Which one of the following statements best represents an important difference between the two?
- a. FII helps bring better management skills and technology while FDI only brings capital
  - b. FII helps in increasing capital availability in general, while FDI only targets specific sectors
  - c. FDI flows only into secondary markets while FII targets primary market
  - d. FII is considered to be more stable than FDI

115. In context of global oil prices, "Brent crude oil" is frequently referred to in the news. What does this term imply?

- 1) It is a major classification of crude oil
- 2) It is sourced from North Sea
- 3) It does not contain sulphur

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

116. With reference to "Look East Policy" of India consider the following statements:

1. India wants to establish itself as an important regional player in the East Asian affairs
2. India wants to plug the vacuum created by the termination of Cold war.
3. India wants to restore the historical and cultural ties with its neighbors in Southeast and East Asia.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

117. Recently "oilzapper" was in news. What is it?

- a. It is eco friendly technology for the remediation of oily sludge and oil spills
- b. It is the latest technology developed under sea oil exploration
- c. It is genetically engineered high biofuel - yielding maize variety
- d. It is the latest technology to control accidentally caused flames from oil wells.

118. Why is the offering of "teaser loans" by commercial banks a cause of economic concern?

1. The teaser loans are considered to be an aspect of sub – prime lending and banks may be exposed to the risk of defaulters in future. TCYonline.com
2. The teaser loans are given to inexperienced entrepreneurs to set up manufacturing or export units.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

119. Why is the Government of India disinvesting its equity in the Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSE)?
1. The Government intends to use the revenue earned from disinvestment mainly to pay the External debt.
  2. The Government no longer intends to retain the management control of CPSEs
- Which of the statements above is/are correct?
- a. 1 only
  - b. 2 only
  - c. Both 1 & 2
  - d. Neither 1 & 2
120. The book "Unto this Last" which influenced Gandhiji, was authored by
- a. Boris Yeltsin
  - b. Pushkin
  - c. Ruskin Bond
  - d. John Ruskin
121. Besides USA, India has signed , with which of the following countries the agreement being named as 'Cooperation Agreement on the development of Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy'?
- a. Italy
  - b. Germany
  - c. France
  - d. Australia
122. Which of the following countries is not a member of the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG)?
- a. Russia
  - b. USA
  - c. Italy
  - d. Iran
123. Many times we read in the newspaper that several companies are adopting the FCCBs route to raise capital. What is the full form of FCCB?
- a. Foreign Currency Convertible Bonds
  - b. Foreign Convertible Credit Bonds
  - c. Financial Consortium & Credit Bureau
  - d. None of these
124. As per the reports published in various newspapers, RBI has asked banks to make plan to provide banking services in villages having population of 2000. This directive issued by the RBI will fall in which of the following categories?
- a. Plan for financial inclusion
  - b. Efforts to meet Priority sector lending
  - c. Extension of Internet & Branchless banking
  - d. None of these

125. Which of the following is/are treated as artificial currency?
- a. ADR
  - b. GDR
  - c. Both ADR & GDR
  - d. SDR
126. Which of the following terms indicates a mechanism used by commercial banks to provide the Government?
- a. Cash Credit Ratio
  - b. Debt Service Obligation
  - c. Liquidity Adjustment Facility
  - d. Statutory Liquidity Ratio
127. Who among the following was not part of the drafting committee of the Lokpal Bill?
- a. Salman Khurshid
  - b. Anna Hazare
  - c. Arvind Kejriwal
  - d. Kiran Bedi
128. Criminal procedure is a subject of which of the following lists?
- a. State List
  - b. Concurrent List
  - c. Union List
  - d. Both a and c
129. One of the world's biggest Uranium resources was recently found in
- a. Andhra Pradesh
  - b. Maharashtra
  - c. Jharkhand
  - d. Uttarakhand
130. Which of the following was the first venture of Kishore Biyani
- a. Pantaloons
  - b. Big Bazar
  - c. Central
  - d. Future capital Holdings
131. Who among the following is often referred to as father of India's "Green Revolution"?
- a. Dr. Verghese Kurien
  - b. Dr. Amrita Patel
  - c. M.S. Swaminathan
  - d. Gurudev Khush
132. Who among the following directed the movie Peepli Live ?
- a. Ashutosh Gowariker
  - b. Kiran Rao
  - c. Anusha Rizvi
  - d. Seema Chisti

133. The point at which solid, liquid and gaseous forms of a substance co-exist is called
- a. sublimation point
  - b. distillation point
  - c. triple point
  - d. melting point
134. The limit beyond which the stars suffer internal collapse is called the
- a. Raman Effect
  - b. Chandrashekhar limit
  - c. Aurora Borealis
  - d. Quasan Zone
135. UNDP reports publishes every year the Human Development Index. Which of the following is not a criteria used to measure the Human Development Index?
- a. Health
  - b. Education
  - c. Living Standards
  - d. Human Rights
136. The software company I-flex Solutions was originally a division of which famous financial services company?
- a. Citicorp
  - b. ICICI
  - c. HSBC
  - d. ABN Amro Bank
137. Which of the following is not a member of SAARC?
- a. Bhutan
  - b. Bangladesh
  - c. Burma
  - d. Maldives
138. Which article of the Indian Constitution recognizes Hindi in Devanagari Script as the official language of India?
- a. Art 345
  - b. Art 343
  - c. Art 348
  - d. Art 334
139. India has finally woken up to the needs of the country's elderly. With the number of people in the 60-plus age group in India expected to increase to 100 million in 2013 and to 198 million in 2030, the health ministry is all set to roll out the TCYonline.com
- a. National Programme for Health care of the Elderly
  - b. National Programme for Senior Citizens
  - c. National Programme for Old Aged
  - d. Rashtriya Vriddha Swasthya Yojana

140. Which among the following statements is/are correct?

- (1). Non-resident Indians (NRIs) can now cast votes in their home constituencies in India.
- (2). The NRI can cast his vote by postal balloting.

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

141. In a landmark move, which of these State governments has set up a Savarna Aayog, a commission to identify the deprived and underprivileged families among upper castes?

- a. Uttar Pradesh
- b. Bihar
- c. Madhya Pradesh
- d. Rajasthan

142. Which of these countries has announced one billion US dollar aid for the reconstruction of Nalanda University? TCYonline.com

- a. Japan
- b. Singapore
- c. Malaysia
- d. China

143. What is the name of the in-house magazine to be published by the Indian Railways, to be distributed to the passengers on high end trains?

- a. Rail Vishwa
- b. Rail Bandhu
- c. Rail Mail
- d. Rail Patra

144. The government, in February 2011, set up a task force to create a way to provide direct subsidies to the ultimate beneficiaries on petroleum working gas and fertilizers. The task force will be headed by –

- a. Nandan Nilekani
- b. Apoorva Sinha
- c. Sangam Chitra
- d. All of these

145. Which of these countries has been added in the 'BRIC (Brazil-Russia-India-China) grouping of emerging economies?

- a. South Korea
- b. Venezuela
- c. South Africa
- d. Malaysia

146. Which of the following countries was the host of First Asian Yoga Championship held recently?

- a. Thailand
- b. Cambodia
- c. Vietnam
- d. Laos

147. Who among the following has been defeated by Saina Nehwal, who has won the Swiss Open Grand Prix Gold title recently, becoming the First Indian to do so?

- a. Ji Hyun Sung
- b. Wang Lin
- c. Kamilla Rytter Juhl
- d. Shinta Mulia Sari

148. On March 6, 2011, the Supreme Court held that \_\_\_\_\_ has ample powers to enact legislation with respect to extra-territorial aspects for the security of India?

- a. President
- b. Prime Minister
- c. Supreme Court
- d. Parliament

149. Which country has appointed Brigadier General Ravinder Singh as its next Army chief, the first Sikh in nearly 30 years to be given the force's baton TCYonline.com

- a. Thailand
- b. Singapore
- c. Malaysia
- d. Indonesia

150. Anant Pai, better known as 'Uncle Pai', who recently died was the creator of which among the following comic series?

- a. Chacha Chaudhary
- b. Chandamama
- c. Indrajaa
- d. Amar Chitra Katha