

IASBABA TEST 12 CURRENT

1. 'Global Economic Freedom Index 2020' is released by

- a) World Economic Forum
- b) World Trade Organisation
- c) UNCTAD
- d) None of the above

2. Consider the following pairs with respect to 'Himalayan passes'

Himalayan Pass State in which it is located

- 1. Limpiyadhura pass Uttarakhand
- 2. Bum La Arunachal Pradesh
- 3. Nathu La Sikkim
- 4. Kepsang La Jammu and Kashmir

Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- d) All of the above

3. Consider the following statements regarding the 'Methane Hydrates'

- 1. It is a crystalline solid that consists of a methane molecule surrounded by a cage of interlocking water molecules.
- 2. It is not found in ice-lands like Antarctica and Siberia.
- 3. Increasing global warming is a threat to preservation of this fuel form.

Choose the correct statements using the codes given below

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) All of the above

4. Consider the following statements

- 1. Indian sub-continent has one of the lowest concentrations of the Methane Hydrates.
- 2. Methane hydrates are majorly formed out of the plankton deposits over long periods of time.

Choose the correct statement/s using the codes given below

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

5. Which of the following statement regarding the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) is *in correct* ?

- a) With the induction of Uzbekistan into the 'Shanghai Five', it came to be known as the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation.
- b) Conflict resolution has the core agenda of all the SCO annual meetings.
- c) The SCO secretariat and the anti-terrorism body RATS are headquartered in Beijing.
- d) Presently SCO has four observer members, namely, Afghanistan, Iran, Belarus and Mongolia.

6. Consider the following statements

- 1. Gautama Siddhartha was taken care of, by his mother's sister Mahaprajapati Gautami, after his mother's death.
- 2. King Bindusara was initiated into Buddha's philosophy in Rajgir, by Lord Buddha himself.
- 3. Buddha announced his 'Nirvana' during his last sermon at Vaishali.

Choose the correct statements using the codes given below

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) All of the above

7. Which of the following god encouraged Buddha to preach knowledge acquired through his enlightenment to the common people?

- a) Baka Brahmā
- b) Brahmā Sahampati
- c) Brahmā Sanatkumāra
- d) None of the above

8. Consider the following pairs regarding places of Buddhist importance

Famous places

Significance

- 1. Deer Park Buddha attained enlightenment here
- 2. Vulture peak A place for training and retreat of Buddhist disciples
- 3. Kushinagar Buddha's Mahaparinirvana

Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?

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

9. Consider the following statements regarding the 'Arab Peace Initiative' which was in the news recently.

- 1. Arab Peace Initiative was proposed by Saudi Arabia and endorsed by the Arab League in 2002.
- 2. It called for complete boycott of Israel by the Arab countries.
- 3. It stated that normalisation of ties between Israel & Arab countries would only happen on complete withdrawal of Israel from the territories occupied since 1948.

Choose the correct statements using the codes given below

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