

**TEST – 16 (Textbook)**  
**( INSTA Prelims Test Series 2021 )**

**18. The Governor shall ordinarily act on the aid and advice of the State Council of Ministers in**

1. Summoning the Legislative Assembly
2. Prorogation of the Legislative Assembly
3. Dissolution of the Legislative Council

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

- A. 1 and 2 only      B. 1 and 3 only      C. 1, 2 and 3      D. 2 and 3 only

**19. A Public Interest Litigation (PIL) can be filed in which of the following cases?**

1. Where there is violation of basic human rights
2. Where the lives of the poor are disregarded
3. Where the local governance bodies have failed to perform their public duty
4. Where the content or conduct of government policy is questionable on the grounds of public interest

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

- A. 2 and 3 only      B. 1, 2, 3 and 4      C. 1 and 2 only      D. 1, 3 and 4 only

**20. Consider the following about the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA).**

1. it was the first permanent intergovernmental organization to provide a forum for the resolution of international disputes through arbitration.
2. It was established by the Convention for the Pacific Settlement of International Disputes.
3. It provides services for the resolution of disputes involving various combinations of states, state entities, intergovernmental organizations, and private parties.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

- A. 2 only      B. 1 and 2 only      C. 1 and 3 only      D. 1, 2 and 3

**21. Precision agriculture (PA) or site specific crop management (SSCM) is a farming management concept based on observing, measuring and responding to inter and intra-field variability in crops. Which of the following technologies are being currently employed in SSCM?**

1. Remote sensing
2. Drone imagery
3. Internet of things (IoT)
4. Self-steering tractors

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

- A. 1 and 2 only      B. 1, 2, 3 and 4      C. 3 and 4 only      D. 1, 2 and 3 only

**22. A person becomes disqualified for being chosen as, and for being, a member of the Legislative Assembly if he holds any office of profit under the Government of India or the Government of any State specified in the First Schedule of the Constitution. The decision on such questions of disqualification of members is to be taken by the**

- A. The Chairperson of the concerned house in the State
- B. The Governor of the State on the advice of the Election Commission
- C. The President of India on the advice of the Council of Ministers of the State concerned
- D. The Election Commission of India after due consent from the concerned State government

**23. Consider the following about the reign of Firoz Tughlaq.**

1. He strictly followed the advice of the ulemas in running the administration.
2. He was the first Medieval ruler to repeal taxes on irrigation and related provisions to boost agriculture.
3. The Ikta system was made hereditary during his reign.

Which of the above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only      B. 2 and 3 only      C. 1 and 3 only      D. None of the above

**24. "Physical soil drought" as defined by the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) can be caused by**

1. Poor monsoon or shortage of irrigation water
2. pH alternations in soil prohibiting plants from absorbing water effectively
3. Low atmospheric humidity

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

- A. 1 only      B. 2 and 3 only      C. 1 and 2 only      D. 1 and 3 only

**25. Consider the following about certain biofertilizers.**

1. Biofertilizers work only under aerobic conditions when used to support rice cultivation.
2. Free-living as well as symbiotic cyanobacteria have been harnessed in rice cultivation in India.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.

- A. 1 only      B. 2 only      C. Both 1 and 2      D. None

**26. Consider the following statements.**

1. The writ jurisdiction of both the high court and the Supreme Court constitutes a part of the basic structure of the Constitution.
2. The writ jurisdiction of the High court is exclusive with respect to the matters under state specific laws.

Which of the above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only      B. 2 only      C. Both 1 and 2      D. None