

10. With reference to the Ninth schedule of the Indian constitution, consider the following statements:

1. It was the first schedule that was added after the commencement of the constitution.
2. It was enacted to protect laws related to agrarian reforms and for abolishing the zamindari system.
3. The acts and regulations specified in the ninth Schedule are not subject to judicial review at all.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

11. Consider the following statements regarding Global Mangrove Alliance:

1. It is an initiative of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
2. It aims to increase the global area of mangrove habitat by 20 per cent over the current extent by 2030.

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

12. Exfoliation tors are small to big size boulders which are smooth and rounded formed due to

- (a) Gravitational forces such as overburden pressure, load and shearing stress.
- (b) Removal of overlying rock load because of continued erosion.
- (c) Differential heating and resulting expansion and contraction of surface layers.
- (d) River's vertical and lateral corrasion in its mountain course.

13. Recently, India has signed Strategic Partnership with which of the following International Agencies?

- (a) International Atomic Energy Agency
- (b) Food and Agriculture Organization
- (c) International Labour Organization
- (d) International Energy Agency

14. The term "Laschamps Excursion" is sometimes mentioned in the news in the context of the discussion of

- (a) the gradual disappearance of temperature difference below the oceanic and continental crusts at great depths.
- (b) short duration illumination of comets by the reflection of Sun light during its journey through the Solar system.
- (c) the rare linear planetary alignment of Mars, Mercury, Venus, Jupiter, Saturn, and Moon expected to occur in 2040.
- (d) short reversal of the Earth's magnetic field during the end of the Last Glacial Period.

15. Arrange the following India-Nepal boundary locations from West to East:

1. Lipulekh
2. Kalapani
3. Limpiyadhura

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1-3-2
- (b) 2-3-1
- (c) 3-2-1
- (d) 2-1-3