

- Q1.** Consider the following statements -  
1. The tenth schedule of constitution of India empowers the speaker of Lok Sabha to be the final decider on question of anti-defection for any member of Parliament.  
2. Speaker while deciding case of anti-defection must decide within reasonable timeframe.  
Select the correct option -  
a. 1 only  
b. 2 only  
c. Both 1 and 2  
d. None of the above
- Q2.** Consider the following statements with regard to recommendation of 15th Finance Commission -  
1. The share of states in the centre's taxes is recommended to be decreased from 42% during the 2015-20 period to 41% for 2020-21.  
2. Demographic Performance criterion has been introduced by the Commission.  
Select the correct option -  
a. 1 only  
b. 2 only  
c. Both 1 and 2  
d. None of the above
- Q3.** Consider the following statements -  
1. Reservation in jobs and promotions is not a fundamental right in India.  
2. State has to compulsorily collect quantifiable data showing inadequacy of representation of the class getting reservation in public services.  
Select the correct option -  
a. 1 only  
b. 2 only  
c. Both 1 and 2  
d. None of the above
- Q4.** Consider the following statements regarding Sand mining -  
1. The Enforcement and Monitoring Guidelines for Sand Mining 2020 has pushed for online sales and purchase of sand and other riverbed materials to make the process transparent.  
2. The Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 empowers state governments to make rules to prevent illegal mining, transportation and storage of minerals.  
Select the correct option -  
a. 1 only  
b. 2 only  
c. Both 1 and 2  
d. None of the above
- Q5.** Consider the following statements regarding technical textile -  
1. India has emerged as the one of the largest manufacturer and exporter of Technical textiles.  
2. National Technical Textile Mission has been launched to develop bio degradable technical textiles materials only.  
Select the correct option -  
a. 1 only  
b. 2 only  
c. Both 1 and 2  
d. None of the above
- Q6.** Consider the following statements regarding technical textile -  
1. They are manufactured primarily for their functional properties.

2. They are necessarily manufactured through 3-D printing.

Select the correct option -

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. None of the above

**Q7.** "It is a farming system that can prevent losses of arable land while regenerating degraded lands. It promotes maintenance of a permanent soil cover, minimum soil disturbance, and diversification of plant species. It enhances biodiversity and natural biological processes above and below the ground surface, which contribute to increased water and nutrient use efficiency and to improved and sustained crop production. Soil interventions such as mechanical soil disturbance are reduced to an absolute minimum or avoided, and external inputs such as agrochemicals and plant nutrients of mineral or organic origin are applied optimally and in ways and quantities that do not interfere with, or disrupt, the biological processes. It opens increased options for integration of production sectors, such as crop-livestock integration and the integration of trees and pastures into agricultural landscapes."

Which agricultural practice is referred to in the above passage?

- a. Organic Farming

- b. Zero budget natural farming
- c. Conservation agriculture
- d. Climate smart agriculture

**Q8.** "Solar Risk Mitigation Initiative" is lead by -

- a. World Bank
- b. European Union
- c. BRICS
- d. East Asia Summit

**Q9.** "One country, two systems" principle is often heard in news context of the affair of -

- a. China and Taiwan
- b. Afghanistan and Taliban
- c. China and Hong Kong
- d. Libya

**Q10.** Hong Kong Human Rights and Democracy Act of 2019 has been enacted by which country?

- a. China
- b. United States
- c. Japan
- d. None of the above

**Q11.** Which country recently introduced 'Sustainable Development Tax' for regional tourism?

- a. Sweden
- b. Norway
- c. Bhutan
- d. United Kingdom

Answer Key of **PRELIMS PRACTICE**

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