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Q1. The Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA) is related to						
a) Biodiversity protectionb) Ozone protectionc) Population control						
						d) Disaster reduction
						Q2. Consider the following statements.
 Pakistan invited External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj for a crucial regional conference in Afghanistan, a move which could provide an opportunity for the two neighbours to mend their frosty ties. The fifth Heart of Asia-Istanbul Process Summit jointly inaugurated by Prime Minister (PM) Nawaz Sharif and Afghan President Ashraf Ghani on December 9, 2015 in Islamabad counts as a major foreign policy success. India was the host country for the first "Heart of Asia" Ministerial Conference back in 2011. 						
Which of the above statements is/are correct? a) 2 and 3						
b) 1 only						
c) 1 and 2						
d) All						
Q3. Carl Djerassi, who passed away recently, was the chemist widely known as father of?						
a) Birth control pill						
b) Blood transplant						
c) Plastic surgery						

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Q4. According to the latest Hurun Global Rich List, which city has become the new "Billionaire Capital of the World"?

- a) Tokyo
- b) London
- c) Beijing
- d) Paris

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Q5. Consider the Statements:

- Houthi rebels are associated with Jordan.
- Saudi Arabia along with Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) and several other countries have started military operations against Houthi rebels.
- GCC members involved are United Arab Emirates (UAE), Bahrain, Qatar and Kuwait.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

Q6. During the visit of Australian Prime Minister Tony Abbott to India, MoU have been signed in which of the following fields?

- Civil Nuclear
- Sports
- Agriculture

Codes:

- a) 2 and 3 only
- b) 1 and 3 only

c) 1 and 2 only d) 1,2 and 3

Q7. Consider the following statements:

- Zimbabwe's President Robert Mugabe has been appointed as Chairman of African Union (AU).
- Its headquarters are located at Nairobi (Kenya).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?:

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

Q8. Consider the following statements.

- China announced the end of its hugely controversial one-child policy on 30th October, 2015.
- An announcement issued by the ruling Communist Party after a four-day meeting in Shanghai on 30th October mentioned that one-child policy will be ended and the couples will be allowed to have two children.
- The controversial one-child policy was introduced in 1978 and was officially enacted on 18th September 1980.

Which of the above statement is/are correct? Codes:

- a) 3 only
- b) 1 only
- c) 2 only
- d) All of these

Q9. Who among the following have been chosen to assist UN rights probe in Sri Lanka?

- Martti Ahtisaari
- Silvia Cartwright
- · Asma Jehangir

Choose the correct code:

a) 2 and 3 Only

- b) 1 and 3 Only
- c) 1 and 2 Only
- d) 1, 2 and 3

Q10. Nepal's Parliament has approved a new constitution. Which of the following facts is/are **correct** about Nepal's new constitution?

- It establishes Nepal as Hindu democratic republic.
- The constitution vest executive rights of the country on the Council of Ministers headed by Prime Minister.
- It establishes uni-cameral federal parliament and split the country into ten federal provinces.
- It establishes competitive multi-party democratic system with periodic elections.

Codes:

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

Q11. Identify the name Indian American who invented E-mail 32 years back?

- a) V.V. Annadurai
- b) R.V. Ramalingam
- c) V.A.Shiva Ayyadurai
- d) A.V. Ramaswami

Q12. Who is Faud Masum?

- a) President of Iraq
- b) Prime Minister of Egypt
- c) President of Egypt
- d) Prime Minister of Iraq

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Q13. Hifikepunye Pohamba, who won the prestigious Mo Ibrahim Prize for Achievement in African Leadership-2014, is the president of which country?

- a) Botswana
- b) Namibia
- c) Cabo Verde
- d) Mozambique

Q14. The first country to introduce laws to allow the creation of so called three-parent babies is____

- a) Georgia
- b) South Africa
- c) Britain
- d) USA

Q15. Which of the following pairs of mountains with the places given are correct?

1. Mt Hermon : Syria

2. Mt Qasioun : Lebanon

3. Mt Sinjar : Iran

4. Mt Carpathian : Ukraine Codes:

- a) 1 and 4 only
- b) 3 and 4 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3 only

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Answers to the above questions:

Q1. Answer: (d)

The framework was approved in 2005, at the World Conference for disaster reduction in Kobe, Japan.

Q2. Answer: (c)

Turkey was the host country for the first "Heart of Asia" Ministerial Conference back in 2011.

Q3. Answer: (a)

Carl Djerassi was widely considered the father of the birth control pill.

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Q4. Answer: (c)

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Q5. Answer: (a)

Houthi rebels is associated with Yamen.

Q6. Answer: (d)

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Q7. Answer: (c)

It's Headquarters is located at Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

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The above three personalities will help the team set up to conduct an investigation of human rights violation in Sri Lanka.

Q10. Answer: (a)

It establishes Nepal as secular and federal democratic republic. It moves away from the existing unitary structure. It establishes bi-cameral federal parliament and split the country into seven federal provinces.

Q11. Answer: (c)

E-mail was invented by an Indian American, V.A. Shiva Ayyadurai when he was just 14 years old, in 1978.

Q12. Answer: (a)

Faud Masum, a Kurdish, became the new President of Iraq.

Q13. Answer: (b)

Pohamba was chosen for the prestigious award for his contribution to boosting governance, media freedom and human rights in the southern African country.

Q14. Answer: (c)

Britain became the first country in the world to allow the creation of so-called "three-parent" babies as MPs voted overwhelmingly in favour of the controversial technique of mitochondrial donation.

Q15. Answer: (a)

Mt Qasioun is located in Syria and Mt Sinjar in the Kurd region of Iraq. The places have been in news recently for internal disturbances.

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