

**Q: Consider the following statement regarding Himalayan Gray Langur:**

1. It was commonly known as the Bengal Sacred Langur.
2. It is a leaf-eating monkey.
3. It is considered an vulnerable species.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

Ans: a

Explanation:

- The Himalayan Gray Langur or the Chamba Sacred Langur (*Semnopithecus ajax*) is a colobine, meaning leaf-eating monkey.
- It is considered an endangered species globally as its population is estimated to be less than 1,500 mature individuals in 15-20 groups.
- The Himalayan Gray Langur was once considered a sub-species of the *Semnopithecus entellus*, commonly known as the Bengal Sacred Langur or Hanuman Langur, but it was separated as a species in 2005.

**Q: Consider the following statement regarding Measles:**

1. It is caused by bacteria.
2. It is also known as rubeola.
3. It affects the respiratory tract first and then spreads to other parts of the body through the blood.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

Ans: b

Explanation:

- Measles is a highly contagious disease caused by a virus in the paramyxovirus family.
- Also called rubeola, this disease is characterised by high fever and red rashes.
- The virus affects the respiratory tract first and then spreads to other parts of the body through the blood.
- It can only be prevented by vaccination and remains one of the leading causes of death worldwide.

**Q: Consider the following statement:**

1. Greenwashing may involve making a product or policy seem more environmentally friendly.
2. The term was coined by environmentalist Jay Westerveld.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

Ans: c

Explanation:

- Greenwashing refers to misleading the general public into believing that companies, sovereigns or civic administrators are doing more for the environment than they actually are. This may involve making a product or policy seem more environmentally friendly or less damaging than it is in reality.
- The term was coined by environmentalist Jay Westerveld in 1986. During a 1983 stay in Fiji, he came across notes next to towels in a particular resort.

**Q: Consider the following statement:**

1. SC held that the Governor in the matter of remission was not bound by state cabinet decision.
2. The apex court under its special powers under Article 142 can release any convict.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

- a) 1 Only
- b) 2 Only

- c) 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

Ans: d

Explanation:

- In the Perarivalan case, the SC held that the Governor in the matter of remission was bound by state cabinet decision.
- Observing that the inordinate delay by the Governor in taking a decision warranted Perarivalan's release, the apex court invoked its special powers under Article 142 of the Constitution to order his release.

**Q: Consider the following statement:**

1. To eliminate measles and rubella, India launched a one-time immunisation campaign for all children between the ages of 9 months to 15 years in 2017.
2. Government adopted a National Strategic Plan to eliminate measles by the end of 2023.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

Ans: a

Explanation:

- To eliminate measles and rubella, India launched a one-time immunisation campaign for all children between the ages of 9 months to 15 years in 2017. All states, including Maharashtra, completed the vaccination.
- Under the Universal Immunisation Programme, India administers the first dose of the measles vaccine at 9-12 months of age and the next shot at 16-24 months of age.
- In May, the government adopted a National Strategic Plan to eliminate measles by the end of 2023.