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Time: 30 Minutes

(Answer any Ten Multiple Choice Questions of the following)

1. India hosts 4 biodiversity hotspots, which one of the following is not one of them:

- a. the Himalayas,
- b. the Western Ghats,
- c. the Sundarbans
- d. the Sundaland (includes Nicobar group of Islands).
- 2. In IUCN Red Data Book, following one is not considered as threatened category:
- a. Vulnerable
- b. Endangered
- c. Critically Endangered
- d. Extinct in the Wild

3. Which of the following alternatives, represents a mega diversity country:

- a. Colombia
- b. Philippines
- c. Peru
- d. All above
- 4. According to THE WILD LIFE (PROTECTION) ACT 1972, which one of the following is not categorized under SCHEDULE 1 animal:
- a. Assamese macaque (*Macaca assamensis*)
- b. Brow-antlered deer or Thamin (Cervus eldi)
- c. Caracal (Felils caracal)
- d. Chinkara or Indian gazelle (Gazella gazella bennetti)
- 5. Transducers are
- a. Producers
- b. Consumers
- c. Decomposers
- d. Parasites
- 6. A collection of different populations utilizing a similar type of resource in a particular habitat within a specific time, is called
- a. Biome
- b. Community
- c. Guild
- d. Benthos
- 7. According to Lindeman's Trophic-Dynamic Concept, the amount of the Net Primary Productivity, which is transferred to the herbivores, is
- a. about 20%
- b. about 2%
- c. about 5%
- d. about 10%

- 8. An Urn-shaped Age Pyramid represents
- a. Expanding type population
- b. Stable type population
- c. Diminishing type population
- d. None of the above

9. The ratio of Photosynthetic rate and Respiratory rate (P/R) with greater than 1 (>1) value, is indicative of an ecosystem, which is

- a. Parasitic
- b. Autotrophic
- c. Heterotrophic
- d. Stable
- 10. Species which are widespread in different geographical habitat are not physiologically, or even morphologically, identical in all parts of their range. These ecological races are referred to as
- a. Ecotone
- b. Ecosystem
- c. Edge effect
- d. Ecotype

11. The transitional zone or junction between two or more diverse communities is

- a. Ecology
- b. Ecotype
- c. Ecotone
- d. Ecocline

12. A niche which is concerned with the physical space occupied by an organism, is called

- a. Trophic niche
- b. Multidimensional niche
- c. Hypervolume niche
- d. Spatial niche
- 13. The replacement of the existing community which is caused largely by any other external condition and not by the existing organisms, is called
- a. Allogenic succession
- b. Autogenic succession
- c. Secondary succession
- d. Heterotrophic succession
- 14. Hydrosere is a succession which starts in regions where
- a. water is plenty
- b. moisture quantity is just adequate
- c. initiation is on sandy soil
- d. initiation is on saline water or soil
- 15. The process of successful habituation of the invading species by adjustment with the conditions prevailing there is called
- a. Aggregation
- b. Invasion
- c. Ecesis
- d. Coaction