UPSC Practice Question Paper

- 1. Consider the following statements regarding recent global developments:
 - 1. The war in Ukraine has significantly impacted global energy prices.
 - 2. Inflation rates in many developed countries have fallen significantly from their recent peaks.
 - 3. Several major economies are experiencing a slowdown or recession.
 - 4. There has been a significant increase in global food insecurity.
 - a. 1 and 2 only
 - b. 1, 2, and 3 only
 - c. 1, 3, and 4 only
 - d. 1, 2, 3, and 4
- 2. Consider the following statements about recent technological advancements:
 - 1. Significant progress has been made in artificial intelligence (AI) applications.
 - 2. The metaverse is rapidly gaining popularity and adoption.
 - 3. Quantum computing is poised to revolutionize several fields.
 - 4. Concerns about data privacy and security are increasing.
 - a. 1, 2, and 3 only
 - b. 2, 3, and 4 only
 - c. 1, 3, and 4 only
 - d. 1, 2, 3, and 4
- 3. Consider the following statements regarding recent environmental concerns:
 - 1. Extreme weather events are becoming more frequent and intense.
 - 2. Global efforts to reduce carbon emissions are progressing rapidly.

| 4. Plastic poliution in oceans is a significant environmental problem. |
|--|
| a. 1, 2, and 3 only |
| b. 1, 3, and 4 only |
| c. 2 and 3 only |
| d. 1, 2, 3, and 4 |
| 4. Consider the following statements about recent developments in international relations: |
| 1. There has been increased geopolitical tension between major powers. |
| 2. Several countries are strengthening their military capabilities. |
| 3. International cooperation on global issues is declining. |
| 4. Efforts to resolve regional conflicts are ongoing. |
| a. 1 and 2 only |
| b. 1, 2, and 3 only |
| c. 1, 3, and 4 only |
| d. 1, 2, 3, and 4 |
| 5. Consider the following statements regarding recent social and political trends: |
| 1. Social media plays a significant role in shaping public opinion. |
| 2. Concerns about social inequality are growing. |
| 3. Political polarization is increasing in many countries. |
| 4. There is a rising demand for greater social justice. |
| a. 1 and 2 only |

3. Biodiversity loss continues to be a major concern.

b. 1, 2, and 3 only

c. 1, 3, and 4 only

| d. 1, 2, 3, and 4 |
|---|
| 6. Consider the following statements regarding recent health issues: |
| Antimicrobial resistance is a growing concern. |
| 2. Significant progress is being made in the fight against infectious diseases. |
| 3. Mental health issues are increasingly prevalent. |
| 4. Access to healthcare remains a challenge in many parts of the world. |
| |
| a. 1, 2, and 3 only |
| b. 1, 3, and 4 only |
| c. 2 and 4 only |
| d. 1, 2, 3, and 4 |
| 7. Consider the following statements about recent space exploration activities: |
| 1. Several countries are investing heavily in space exploration programs. |
| 2. Private companies are playing an increasingly significant role in space. |
| 3. Concerns about space debris and its impact are growing. |
| 4. International cooperation in space exploration is increasing. |
| |

8. Consider the following statements regarding recent developments in the field of energy:

1. Renewable energy sources are becoming increasingly important.

3. Investments in new energy technologies are increasing.

2. Concerns about energy security are rising.

a. 1, 2, and 3 only

b. 1, 3, and 4 only

c. 2 and 3 only

d. 1, 2, 3, and 4

| | 4. The transition to a low-carbon economy is progressing smoothly. |
|---|---|
| | a. 1, 2, and 3 only |
| | b. 1 and 3 only |
| | c. 2 and 4 only |
| | d. 1, 2, 3, and 4 |
| S | Consider the following statements regarding recent developments in the financial markets: |
| | Interest rates are rising in many countries. |
| | 2. Stock markets have experienced significant volatility. |
| | 3. Concerns about inflation are growing. |
| | 4. The global economy is facing significant uncertainty. |
| | a. 1, 2, and 3 only |
| | b. 1 and 3 only |
| | c. 2 and 4 only |
| | d. 1, 2, 3, and 4 |
| 1 | Consider the following statements about recent scientific discoveries: |
| | Significant progress has been made in the field of gene editing. |
| | 2. New discoveries are being made in the field of medicine. |
| | 3. Concerns about the ethical implications of scientific advancements are growing. |
| | 4. Scientific research is increasingly driven by commercial interests. |
| | a. 1, 2, and 3 only |
| | b. 1 and 3 only |
| | c. 2 and 4 only |
| | d. 1, 2, 3, and 4 |
| | |

| 1 | 1. Consider the following statements regarding recent demographic trends: |
|---|---|
| | Global population growth is slowing down. |
| | 2. Urbanization is continuing at a rapid pace. |
| | 3. Migration patterns are changing significantly. |
| | 4. Concerns about population aging are increasing. |
| | a. 1, 2, and 3 only |
| | b. 1 and 3 only |
| | |
| | c. 2 and 4 only |
| | d. 1, 2, 3, and 4 |
| 1 | 2. Consider the following statements about recent developments in the field of agriculture: |
| | 1. Climate change is posing a significant throat to agricultural production |
| | 1. Climate change is posing a significant threat to agricultural production. |
| | Technological advancements are improving agricultural productivity. |
| | 3. Concerns about food security are growing. |
| | 4. Sustainable agricultural practices are becoming increasingly important. |
| | a. 1, 2, and 3 only |
| | b. 1 and 3 only |
| | c. 2 and 4 only |
| | d. 1, 2, 3, and 4 |
| | |
| 1 | 3. Consider the following statements regarding recent social justice issues: |
| | Inequality remains a major concern in many societies. |
| | 2. Efforts to promote gender equality are ongoing. |
| | 3. Concerns about racial discrimination are growing. |

4. The fight for LGBTQ+ rights is gaining momentum.

- a. 1, 2, and 3 onlyb. 1 and 3 only
- c. 2 and 4 only
- d. 1, 2, 3, and 4
- 14. Consider the following statements regarding recent cybersecurity threats:
 - 1. Cyberattacks are becoming increasingly sophisticated and frequent.
 - 2. Data breaches are a major concern for individuals and organizations.
 - 3. Governments and organizations are investing heavily in cybersecurity.
 - 4. International cooperation on cybersecurity is improving.
 - a. 1, 2, and 3 only
 - b. 1 and 3 only
 - c. 2 and 4 only
 - d. 1, 2, 3, and 4