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1. With reference to "Pompe Disease", consider the following statements :

1. Pompe Disease is characterized by the buildup of glycogen in the lysosomes of the body cells.
2. This disease is a rare genetic disorder caused by a deficiency of the enzyme acid alpha-glucosidase.
3. Although there is presently no cure for Pompe disease, there are treatment alternatives accessible to address symptoms.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

2. With reference to factors affecting the Indian Monsoon, consider the following statements :

1. During the summer months, the landmass over the Indian subcontinent heats up rapidly, leading to the formation of a low-pressure system and monsoon winds in India.
2. The Thar Desert, also known as the Great Indian Desert, is a crucial factor in the formation of monsoon winds in India.
3. The Arabian branch of the monsoon, which moves parallel to the Thar Desert, leads to very little rainfall in the nearby regions.

How many of the statements given above are not correct ?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

3. Which of the following schemes/initiatives relate to unorganised labour in India?

1. Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY)
2. Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY).
3. Ayushman Bharat- Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY)
4. Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-dhan Yojana (PM-SYM)

On the basis of information provided above, consider the following options:

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) Only three  
(d) All four

4. Scimitar-horned oryx, recently in news, is best described as:

- (a) An antelope adapted to arid environments  
(b) A deep-sea carnivore dwelling in abyssal zones  
(c) A rare avian species thriving in tropical rainforests  
(d) An amphibious creature with unique bioluminescent features

5. Consider the following statements regarding Special Economic Zone (SEZs):

1. SEZs are areas with more stringent economic laws than a country's domestic laws.
2. Asia's first Export Processing Zones was set up in Kandla, Gujarat in 1965.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 Only  
(b) 2 Only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

6. With reference to "Saiga Antelope", consider the following statements :

1. The saiga antelope is a large, nomadic, migratory herbivore that lives across the Eurasian Steppe.
2. It is found in Kazakhstan, Mongolia, the Russian Federation, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.
3. Its typical habitat consists of flat open areas covered with low-growing vegetation, allowing animals to run quickly.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

7. With reference to Goldfish, consider the following statements :

1. Goldfish was one of the earliest fish to be domesticated and a relatively small member of the Carp family.
2. It can eat almost anything and everything, including algae, aquatic plants, eggs, and invertebrates.
3. They can tolerate a wide range of water temperatures, reach sexual maturity quickly, and reproduce several times in one season.

How many of the statements given above is/are not correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

8. With reference to the International Maritime Organisation (IMO), consider the following statements:

1. It is an independent organisation that is responsible for regulating shipping and preventing marine pollution from ships.
2. India is one of the founding members of IMO.
3. IMO is governed by the Assembly of members which is also the highest governing body of the organisation.

How many of the statements above are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

9 Regarding the Financial Stability Board (FSB), consider the following statements:

1. FSB was established in 2005 under the aegis of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).
2. India is an active Member of the FSB.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 Only (b) 2 Only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

10. With reference to "Leadership Group for Industry Transition (LeadIT)", consider the following statements:

1. LeadIT is a global initiative that aims to accelerate the transition of challenging sectors such as steel, cement, chemicals, aviation, and shipping.
2. It was launched by the governments of Sweden and India at the United Nations Climate Action Summit in 2019 and is supported by the World Economic Forum.
3. It has 38 members, encompassing countries and companies where India is an active participant.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

11. Consider the following statements regarding AMRIT Technology:

1. It is developed by the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) - Madras for the removal of Arsenic and metal ions from water, addressing water quality issues.
2. It utilizes nano-scale gallium arsenide, which selectively removes Arsenic when water passes through it.

Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?

- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

12. Consider the following statements regarding Archaeological Survey of India (ASI):

1. The ASI was established under the Ministry of Culture for the protection of the cultural heritage of the nation by the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, 1904.
2. The ASI allows worship and rituals only at monuments where these traditions were already established at the time the ASI assumed custody.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

13. Regarding the Election Commission, consider the following statements:

1. In case of a difference of opinion between the Chief Election Commissioner and/or two other election commissioners, the matter is decided by the Chief Election Commissioner.
2. The Constitution has prescribed the legal, educational, administrative, and judicial qualifications of the members of the Election Commission.
3. The Constitution prohibits retiring election commissioners from any further appointment by the government.

Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?

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

14. Regarding the Operation Storm Makers II, consider the following statements:

1. It is a joint operation between the Indian and Myanmar Army against the militants.
2. This operation is part of the BIMSTEC Anti-Terrorism Framework.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 Only (b) 2 Only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

15. With reference to the global initiatives related to road safety, consider the following statements:

1. The UN General Assembly adopted resolution "Improving global road safety" with the target of preventing at least 50% of road traffic deaths and injuries by 2050.
2. The Brasilia Declaration on Road Safety was signed at the second Global High-Level Conference on Road Safety, and India has also signed it.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

16. With reference to the Alternative Investment Fund (AIF), consider the following statements:

1. AIF refers to a fund established or formed in India, serving as a privately pooled investment mechanism.
2. These investment vehicles adhere to the SEBI (Alternative Investment Funds) Regulations, 2012.
3. Category III AIFs are those that invest in startups, early-stage ventures, social initiatives, Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs), infrastructure, etc.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

17. With reference to Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs), consider the following statements:

1. NTDs are communicable diseases in tropical regions, thriving in conditions of poverty and poor healthcare access.
2. They are caused by a variety of pathogens such as viruses, bacteria, protozoa and parasitic worms.
3. Examples of NTDs include snakebite envenomation, scabies, yaws, trachoma, Leishmaniasis among others.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

18. With reference to Ketamine Drugs, consider the following statements:

1. Ketamine drug is used to induce general anesthesia that does not require muscle relaxation.
2. It works by blocking the N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptor in the brain.
3. The drug is administered through intravenous (IV) mode only for mental illness treatment.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

19. With reference to Goa and its Liberation Day, consider the following statements:

1. Goa Liberation Day is celebrated every year to commemorate the state's liberation from Portuguese rule in 1961.
2. In 1961, the Indian Government launched Operation Vijay and annexed Daman and Diu along with Goa.
3. Goa continued to be a Union Territory till 1987 and then was given statehood by becoming the 25th state of India.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

20. Regarding the Wisent, consider the following statements:

1. It is the largest and heaviest terrestrial mammal in Africa.
2. The wisent plays a crucial part in restoring grassland habitats.
3. Their IUCN Red List status is Near Threatened.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

21. With reference to Bonnet Macaque (*Macaca radiata*), consider the following statements:

1. The bonnet macaque gets its name from the whorls of hair on the crown of its head that resemble a cap or bonnet.
2. They are found only in peninsular India and live in close proximity with humans.
3. Its IUCN status is Critically Endangered as it is on the verge of going extinct.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

22. With reference to Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) consider the following statements :

1. Established in 1975 through the Lagos Treaty, the ECOWAS is a regional intergovernmental organisation among West African nations.
2. It aims to achieve economic integration, free movement of people and goods, and regional cooperation across sectors.
3. Its headquarters is located in Nairobi, Kenya.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

23. With reference to Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, consider the following statements :

1. The Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace has been conferred every year since 1986 by Indira Gandhi Memorial Trust.
2. The award recognizes individuals or organizations for their exceptional contributions to disarmament, and development across the world.
3. It consists of a monetary award of 25 lakh rupees along with a citation.

How many of the statements given above are not correct ?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

24. With reference to Raising and Accelerating MSME Performance (RAMP) scheme, consider the following statements :

1. It is a World Economic Forum (WEF) assisted Centrally Sponsored Scheme.
2. It supports various CoronaVirus Disease 2019 Resilience and Recovery Interventions of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MoMSME).
3. Important component of RAMP is preparation of Strategic Investment Plans (SIPs), in which all states/ UTs are invited.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

25. With reference to 'Insurance For All by 2047', consider the following statements:

1. The Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) of India in alignment with the 'Insurance For All by 2047' initiative, is introducing tailored products for rural areas.
2. The focus is on extending insurance coverage to maximum rural masses, aligning with the vision of making India a developed nation by 2047.
3. LIC acknowledges the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) proposed 'Bima Vistar,' for realising the Vision of 2047.

How many of the statements given above are not correct ?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

26. Consider the following statements:

1. World Mental Health Day is observed on 10th October every year.
2. The Mental Health Care Act, 2017 guarantees every affected person access to mental healthcare and treatment from services run or funded by the government.
3. Kiran Helpline was launched by the Ministry of Women and Child Development to provide support to people facing mental health issues.

How many of the statements above are correct?

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

27. Regarding Common Reporting Standards (CRS), consider the following statements:

1. It calls on jurisdictions to obtain information from their financial institutions and automatically exchange that information with other jurisdictions on an annual basis.
2. World Bank's Automatic Exchange of Information (AEOI) is also a part of the CRS framework.

Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?

- (a) 1 Only                      (b) 2 Only  
(c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) Neither 1 nor 2

28. Regarding E-Cigarettes, consider the following statements:

1. E-cigarettes are battery-powered devices that work by heating solid into an aerosol.
2. The possession of e-cigarettes is a violation of the law in India.
3. The Nicotine content as a direct substance in e-cigarettes is less than regular cigarettes.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

29. Consider the following statements:

1. The Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) mechanism shifts the financial burden of waste management from the producer to government.
2. The 'polluter pays' principle asserts that those who produce pollution should bear the costs of managing it.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) Neither 1 nor 2

30. Regarding Advocates Amendment Bill, 2023, consider the following statements:

1. It primarily aims to formally include 'touts' into the legal system.
2. Tout refers to a person who procures the employment of a legal practitioner in a legal business in return of payment.
3. Any person who acts as a tout while his name is included in the list of touts will be punished with imprisonment up to three months.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

31. Regarding the Arab League, consider the following statements:

1. It is an intergovernmental pan-Arab organization of all Arab states confined to the Middle East.
2. It was formed following the adoption of the Alexandria Protocol.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 Only                      (b) 2 Only  
(c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) Neither 1 nor 2

32. Recently 5th edition of the "Logistics Ease Across Different State (LEADS) 2023" report, was released by which of the following?

- (a) Ministry of Commerce & Industry  
(b) Reserve Bank of India  
(c) Niti Aayog  
(d) Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways

33. Regarding the Wild Yak, consider the following statements:

1. Their current habitat is now limited to Bhutan and Nepal only.
2. The Wild Yak comes under Schedule I of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 2022.
3. Their IUCN Status is critically endangered.

How many of the statements above are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None



34. Regarding Diamond, consider the following statements:

1. Diamond is a naturally occurring mineral made up of impure carbon.
2. South Africa is the world's largest producer of rough diamonds.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

35. With reference to Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) mechanism, consider the following statements:

1. In India, arbitration is governed and regulated by the Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996 which has been amended only once.
2. In mediation, an impartial person called a "mediator" helps the parties try to reach a mutually acceptable resolution of the dispute.
3. Negotiation is the most common method of alternative dispute resolution.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

36. Regarding the Gulf of Aden, consider the following statements:

- (a) It is situated between Yemen on the south coast of the Arabian Peninsula and Somalia in Africa.
- (b) It connects the Red Sea to the Arabian Sea via the Strait of Bab el Mandeb.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 Only (b) 2 Only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

37. Consider the following statements:

1. Operation Prosperity Guardian is a multinational security initiative to ensure security in the Indian Ocean initiated by the United States.
2. SAGAR is an annual bilateral exercise between the Indian and Sri Lankan navies in the Indian Ocean.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 Only (b) 2 Only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

38. Regarding the Telecom Industry in India, consider the following statements:

1. The Telecom Industry of India is the fourth largest in the world.
2. It is also the 4th largest sector in terms of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows.
3. India has an overall teledensity of 100%.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

39. Regarding the Social Stock Exchange, consider the following statements:

1. Social stock exchanges are dividend-paying companies created and designed to address a social problem.
2. It works under the market regulator Security and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).
3. It raises funds through Zero Coupon Zero Principal Bonds (ZCZP).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

40. With reference to the Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI), consider the following statements:

1. CCPI is an independent monitoring tool for tracking countries' climate protection performance
2. It has been published annually since 2005.
3. It is published by Germanwatch, the NewClimate Institute, and Climate Action Network International.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

41. Consider the following pairs:

Dance	State
1. Kolattam	(a) Arunachal Pradesh
2. Ponung	(b) Andhra Pradesh
3. Bagurumba	(c) Assam

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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

42. Regarding the disqualification of a Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA), consider the following statements:

1. If detention takes place under a preventive detention law it will lead to disqualification of the member.
2. Once an MLA is disqualified, the decision can't be reversed even by the courts.
3. The Governor's decision on a member's disqualification is final, but they must seek the Election Commission's opinion before taking action.

Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?

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

43. Regarding the future Space Mission of India, consider the following statements:

1. Chandrayaan-4 Mission aims to send humans to space and return them safely to Earth.
2. The first module of Bharatiya Antariksh Station will be launched by 2028.
3. NISAR is a GEO (Geostationary orbit) observatory being jointly developed by NASA and ISRO.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

44. Regarding Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV), consider the following statements:

1. SPV is often referred to as a bankruptcy-remote entity.
2. Venture capitalists use SPVs to gather funds and invest in a startup.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 Only
- (b) 2 Only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

45. Regarding the Indian Forest & Wood Certification Scheme (IFWCS), consider the following statements:

1. It offers voluntary third-party certification designed to promote sustainable forest management.
2. The scheme will be overseen by the Indian Forest and Wood Certification Council.
3. Trees Outside Forests Standard is not a part of the scheme.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

46. With reference to 'AI Mission', consider the following statements:

1. The mission seeks to enhance services for startups and entrepreneurs while fostering AI applications in critical sectors.
2. It involves building a substantial compute capacity, ranging between 10,000 to 30,000 Graphic Processing Units (GPUs).
3. The India Datasets platform under this mission offer anonymized datasets to startups and researchers.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

47. With reference to 'Self Help Group (SHG) Bank linkage (BL) Project', consider the following statements:

1. The SHG BL Project was launched by NABARD in 1992 and has blossomed into the world's largest microfinance project.
2. Regular training of staff and community cadres under State Rural Livelihoods Missions (SRLMs) is provided under this project.
3. Bank Sakhis are trained members from SHGs who act as intermediaries in aiding SHG members in transactions and application processes.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

48. With reference to Mithila region of Bihar, consider the following statements :

1. Mithila has a rich and ancient history, dating back to the Vedic period of 1500-500 BCE.
2. It is bounded by the Himalayas in the north, the Ganges in the south, the Mahananda River in the west, and the Gandaki River in the east.
3. It is also known as Mahla and mentioned in revenue records of the United Provinces of Bihar, Bengal, and Orissa.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

49. With reference to 'Criticality in Nuclear Power Plants', consider the following statements:

1. A nuclear reactor is said to be critical when the nuclear fuel inside a reactor sustains a fission chain reaction.
2. Each fission reaction releases a sufficient number of neutrons to sustain a series of reactions.
3. Heat is produced in the event of criticality, which is used to generate steam that spins a turbine to create electricity.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

50. With reference to 'mRNA (Messenger Ribonucleic Acid)', consider the following statements:

1. mRNA carries important messages from our DNA (Deoxyribonucleic acid), to the cell's machinery, telling it how to make specific proteins.
2. When a cell needs a specific protein, it directly reads the recipe from DNA and makes a copy called mRNA.
3. mRNA is made up of four building blocks (A, U, C, G), forming words of only three letters.

How many of the statements given above are not correct ?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

51. Consider the following statements:

1. The Svalbard Treaty is the sole treaty that governs scientific research in the Arctic region.
2. India is a signatory to the Svalbard Treaty.
3. Himadri was India's first research base in the Arctic.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only One                      (b) Only Two  
(c) All Three                      (d) None

52. Recently the Global Study on Homicide 2023 report was released by which of the following?

- (a) World Bank  
(b) United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)  
(c) World Health Organisation (WHO)  
(d) International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP)

53. Regarding the Hindustan Republican Association (HRA), consider the following statements:

1. Chandra Sekhar Azad was the founder of this organization.
2. The association envisioned a republic grounded in universal suffrage and socialist principles.
3. HRA transformed into the Hindustan Socialist Republican Association (HSRA) in 1927.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

54. Regarding Malaria, consider the following statements:

1. It is a life-threatening mosquito-borne blood disease caused by Protozoa.
2. Malaria spreads through infected female Anopheles mosquito bites.
3. The R21/Matrix-M vaccine became the first malaria vaccine to achieve WHO prequalification.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

55. Regarding the Post Office Bill (2023), consider the following statements:

1. The Bill specifies procedural safeguards for interception of articles transmitted through India Post.
2. The Bill attempts to make India Post liable for any lapses in postal services
3. The Bill specifies penalties for the unauthorized opening of postal articles by a postal officer.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

56. Consider the following statements regarding the Namdapha Flying Squirrel:

1. It is a rare nocturnal flying squirrel species found in the Namdapha Tiger Reserve in Arunachal Pradesh.
2. Its status on the IUCN Red List is Critically Endangered and is placed under Schedule I of the Wildlife (Protection) Act.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) Neither 1 nor 2

57. Regarding the Integrated Case Management Information System (ICMIS), consider the following statements:

1. ICMIS is a next-generation hybrid database adopted by the Supreme Court.
2. It enables litigants to access and retrieve information online through a user-friendly interface.
3. The implementation of ICMIS took place in 2020.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

58. Consider the following :

1. Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF)
2. Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA)
3. International Solar Alliance (ISA)

How many of the above organizations consist of both India and the USA as members?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

59. Consider the following pairs:

Volcanic Region	Country
1. Mt. Ararat	Turkey
2. Kamchatka Peninsula	Russia
3. Eyjafjallajökull	Iceland

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair                      (b) Only two pairs  
(c) All three pairs                      (d) None of the pairs

60. Regarding the Rare Earth Metals, consider the following statements:

1. Rare Earth Metals are a set of seventeen metallic elements including the fifteen lanthanides.
2. India is the second largest exporter of Rare earth metals after China.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) Neither 1 nor 2



61. India Skills Report 2024 is released/submitted by which of the following?
- All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) and Wheebox
  - Pratham
  - Niti Aayog
  - Ministry of Education

62. Which of the following statements about Nematocysts is not correct?
- They are produced by cells called cnidocytes.
  - They are present in all members of the phylum Cnidaria.
  - They have different types, such as isorhizas, euryteles, and birhopaloids.
  - They are used for locomotion and digestion by cnidarians.

63. Regarding the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs), consider the following statements:
- The Dhebar Commission, 1973 established Primitive Tribal Groups (PTGs) as a distinct category, comprising tribal communities that exhibit comparatively lower levels of development.
  - Among the 75 listed PVTGs the highest number are found in Nagaland.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 Only
- 2 Only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

64. Consider the following statements:
- Tribunals were not part of the original constitution.
  - Under Article 323 B, both- the Parliament and the state legislatures are authorized to provide for the establishment of tribunals.
  - A hierarchy of tribunals can be created under article 323A.

How many of the above statements is/are not correct?

- Only one
- Only two
- All three
- None

65. Consider the following statements regarding Scheme for Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP):
- RoDTEP covers taxes, duties, and levies at the central, state, and local levels, which are not refunded through any other existing mechanisms.
  - The RoDTEP Committee operates within the Department of Revenue.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 Only
- 2 Only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

66. Regarding the Valmiki Tiger Reserve, consider the following statements:

- It is the only tiger reserve in Bihar.
- The vegetation of this Tiger Reserve is a combination of the Bhabar and Terai regions.
- River Kosi flows through it.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- Only One
- Only Two
- Only Three
- None

67. Regarding the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 consider the following statements:

- This Act replaced the Child Marriage Restraint Act, 1929 which was enacted during the British era.
- The Act provides for the appointment of a Child Marriage Prohibition Officer to prevent child marriages.

Which of the above statements is/are correct:

- 1 Only
- 2 Only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

68. Chavittunatakam, a drama form, was recently seen in the news. It is associated with which of the following states?

- Andhra Pradesh
- Kerala
- Karnataka
- Manipur

69. Consider the following statements about the Vernacular Press Act, 1878:

- Vernacular Press Act, 1878 was the first British intervention to regulate the press.
- Melcalfe repealed the Vernacular Press Act, 1878 and came to be known as the "Liberator of the Indian Press."

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 Only
- 2 Only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

70. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Our Sun is not expected to be a neutron star which is a dense and compact stellar object that forms from the remnants of a massive star's core after a supernova explosion.

Statement-II: It has only about one-tenth of the mass needed to eventually become a neutron star.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

71. 'Pantoea Tagorei' which was recently seen in the news is:
- A newly discovered frog species in the Western Ghats.
  - A newly discovered butterfly species in the Himalayas.
  - A new species of bacteria that could transform agricultural practices.
  - An ancient rock painting recently discovered in Madhya Pradesh.

72. Regarding Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS), consider the following statements:

- It is one of the largest work guarantee programmes in the world launched in 2005 by the Ministry of Rural development.
- It assures 120 days of work yearly at minimum wage for willing adults in rural households.
- MGNREGA assures work within 15 days or offers an "unemployment allowance" if delayed.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- Only one
- Only Two
- Only Three
- None

73. Consider the following statements:

- The Shahi Idgah is a three-domed mosque in Mathura that stands adjacent to the Krishna Janmabhoomi temple.
- The Places of Worship Act, 1991, prohibits changing the character of any place of worship as it existed on August 15, 1947.
- The Act does not apply to ancient and historical monuments.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- Only one
- Only two
- All three
- None

74. Which of the following statements is/are true about the different causes of inflation?

- Demand-pull inflation occurs when there is an increase in aggregate demand.
- Cost-push inflation occurs when there is an increase in the cost of production.
- Structural inflation occurs when there is a mismatch between demand and supply.
- Built-In inflation is often described as a feedback loop between wages and prices.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3 only
- 1, 2, 3 and 4

75. Regarding Field Pansy, consider the following statements:

- It belongs to the group of plants called Gymnosperms.
- The field Pansy relies solely on insects for pollination.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- 1 Only
- 2 Only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

76. Which of the following is correct about General Artificial Intelligence (AI):

- It refers to AI designed for specific tasks like playing chess, recognizing faces etc.
- It refers to AI with the ability to perform any intellectual task that a human can, including reasoning, learning planning etc.
- It refers to AI with an ability that surpasses human intelligence, excelling in tasks with cognitive abilities.
- It refers to AI with the ability to generate creative outputs such as pictures, videos and text.

77. Consider the following statements regarding Indian Meteorological Department:

- It works as an agency of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change of the Government of India.
- Headquartered in New Delhi, it is also one of the six Regional Specialized Meteorological Centres of the World Meteorological Organization.

Which of the statement/s given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

78. Consider the following statements regarding Breakthrough Prizes:

- Often dubbed as the "Oscars of Science," these awards were founded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.
- These prizes aim to honor outstanding individuals who have made transformative contributions in fundamental sciences.

Which of the statement/s given by is/are not correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

79. Consider the following statements related to Pesticide?

- Pesticides are regulated under the Insecticides Act, 1968.
- The Indian government has banned Dicofol, Dinocap and Methomyl.

Which of the statement/s given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

80. Consider the following statements related to Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries(OPEC):

1. It is an intergovernmental organization created at the Astana Conference.
2. Its headquarter is in Baghdad.
3. Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Venezuela are its founding members.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only Two  
(c) Only Three (d) None

81. Consider the following statements regarding Prasar Bharati:

1. Prasar Bharati is a statutory autonomous body established under the Prasar Bharati Act 1997.
2. Prasar Bharati is the largest public broadcasting agency in the country and it includes Doordarshan Television Network and All India Radio.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 Only (b) 2 Only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

82. Consider the following statements regarding Mudiattu:

1. It is a traditional ritual theatre and folk dance drama from Kerala that enacts the mythological tale of a battle between the goddess Kali and the demon Darika.
2. The ritual is a part of the bhagavathi or bhadrakali cult and is performed between February and May after the harvesting season.
3. Mudiattu is part of UNESCO's Representative List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

83. Consider the following statements about Antarctic Circumpolar Current (ACC):

1. ACC links the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian Oceans and is the primary means of inter-basin exchange of heat.
2. The current flows from west to east around Antarctica.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 Only (b) 2 Only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

84. Consider the following statements:

1. The electronic soil (eSoil) is a novel conductive cultivation substrate designed specifically for hydroponic systems.
2. Hydroponics is a method of growing plants in a water-based, nutrient-rich solution without the use of soil.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

85. Consider the following statements:

1. According to the report from the Wildlife Protection Society of India (WPSI), Madhya Pradesh has recorded the highest number of tiger fatalities in India.
2. Karnataka is home to the second-highest tiger population in India.
3. As per the latest report by International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN), tigers have gone extinct in Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

86. With reference to "Saiga Antelope", consider the following statements :

1. The saiga antelope is a large, nomadic, migratory herbivore that lives across the Eurasian Steppe.
2. It is found in Kazakhstan, Mongolia, the Russian Federation, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.
3. Its typical habitat consists of flat open areas covered with low-growing vegetation, allowing animals to run quickly.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

87. With reference to Goldfish, consider the following statements :

1. Goldfish was one of the earliest fish to be domesticated and a relatively small member of the Carp family.
2. It can eat almost anything and everything, including algae, aquatic plants, eggs, and invertebrates.
3. They can tolerate a wide range of water temperatures, reach sexual maturity quickly, and reproduce several times in one season.

How many of the statements given above is/are not correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

88. With reference to the International Maritime Organisation (IMO), consider the following statements:

1. It is an independent organisation that is responsible for regulating shipping and preventing marine pollution from ships.
2. India is one of the founding members of IMO.
3. IMO is governed by the Assembly of members which is also the highest governing body of the organisation.

How many of the statements above are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

89. Regarding the Financial Stability Board (FSB), consider the following statements:

1. FSB was established in 2005 under the aegis of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).
2. India is an active Member of the FSB.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 Only (b) 2 Only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

90. With reference to "Leadership Group for Industry Transition (LeadIT)", consider the following statements:

1. LeadIT is a global initiative that aims to accelerate the transition of challenging sectors such as steel, cement, chemicals, aviation, and shipping.
2. It was launched by the governments of Sweden and India at the United Nations Climate Action Summit in 2019 and is supported by the World Economic Forum.
3. It has 38 members, encompassing countries and companies where India is an active participant.

How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

91. Consider the following statements regarding AMRIT Technology:

1. It is developed by the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) - Madras for the removal of Arsenic and metal ions from water, addressing water quality issues.
2. It utilizes nano-scale gallium arsenide, which selectively removes Arsenic when water passes through it.

Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

92. Consider the following statements regarding Archaeological Survey of India (ASI):

1. The ASI was established under the Ministry of Culture for the protection of the cultural heritage of the nation by the Ancient Monuments Preservation Act, 1904.
2. The ASI allows worship and rituals only at monuments where these traditions were already established at the time the ASI assumed custody.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

93. Regarding the Election Commission, consider the following statements:

1. In case of a difference of opinion between the Chief Election Commissioner and/or two other election commissioners, the matter is decided by the Chief Election Commissioner.
2. The Constitution has prescribed the legal, educational, administrative, and judicial qualifications of the members of the Election Commission.
3. The Constitution prohibits retiring election commissioners from any further appointment by the government.

Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?

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

94. Regarding the Operation Storm Makers II, consider the following statements:

1. It is a joint operation between the Indian and Myanmar Army against the militants.
2. This operation is part of the BIMSTEC Anti-Terrorism Framework.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 Only (b) 2 Only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

95. With reference to the global initiatives related to road safety, consider the following statements:

1. The UN General Assembly adopted resolution "Improving global road safety" with the target of preventing at least 50% of road traffic deaths and injuries by 2050.
2. The Brasilia Declaration on Road Safety was signed at the second Global High-Level Conference on Road Safety, and India has also signed it.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

## Answers

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| 1. (c)  | 2. (d)  | 3. (d)  | 4. (a)  | 5. (b)  | 6. (c)  | 7. (d)  | 8. (b)  | 9. (b)  | 10. (c) |
| 11. (b) | 12. (b) | 13. (d) | 14. (d) | 15. (b) | 16. (b) | 17. (d) | 18. (b) | 19. (c) | 20. (b) |
| 21. (b) | 22. (b) | 23. (d) | 24. (b) | 25. (d) | 26. (a) | 27. (b) | 28. (a) | 29. (b) | 30. (b) |
| 31. (b) | 32. (a) | 33. (a) | 34. (d) | 35. (a) | 36. (c) | 37. (a) | 38. (a) | 39. (c) | 40. (c) |
| 41. (c) | 42. (a) | 43. (a) | 44. (c) | 45. (b) | 46. (c) | 47. (c) | 48. (b) | 49. (d) | 50. (a) |
| 51. (a) | 52. (a) | 53. (a) | 54. (b) | 55. (d) | 56. (c) | 57. (b) | 58. (b) | 59. (c) | 60. (a) |
| 61. (a) | 62. (d) | 63. (a) | 64. (a) | 65. (c) | 66. (b) | 67. (c) | 68. (b) | 69. (d) | 70. (a) |
| 71. (c) | 72. (b) | 73. (c) | 74. (d) | 75. (d) | 76. (b) | 77. (b) | 78. (a) | 79. (c) | 80. (a) |
| 81. (c) | 82. (c) | 83. (c) | 84. (c) | 85. (b) | 86. (c) | 87. (d) | 88. (b) | 89. (b) | 90. (c) |
| 91. (b) | 92. (b) | 93. (d) | 94. (d) | 95. (b) |         |         |         |         |         |