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- Consider the following statements about the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA):
  - APEDA was established under the APEDA Act, 1985, with the mandate to promote and develop exports of agricultural and processed food products.
  - 2. APEDA is responsible for setting minimum support prices for agricultural commodities.
  - 3. APEDA's scope includes the promotion of products such as alcoholic beverages, meat, and floriculture.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1 only
- 2. Consider the following statements regarding the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY):
  - 1. It aims to connect habitations with populations of over 500 in plains, over 250 in Northeast.
  - 2. The scheme is a centrally sponsored scheme.
  - The Rural Roads constructed under the PMGSY are in accordance with the provision of the Ministry of Rural Development.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3 only
- 3. Consider the following statements:
  - The National Nursing and Midwifery Commission (NNMC) is a statutory body that regulates nursing and midwifery practices in India.
  - 2. The NNMC consists of 29 members, including a Chairperson.
  - 3. NNMC functions include framing policies and standards for nursing and midwifery employment.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3 only
- 4. Consider the following statements related to International Civil Aviation Organization,
  - 1. It was founded in 1944 as a specialized agency of the United Nations.
  - 2. It was established by the Geneva Convention.
  - It coordinates international air navigation and fosters the planning and development of international air transport to ensure safe and orderly growth.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 5. Fort Lockhart and Fort Gulistan, recently in the news, are related to which of the following?
  - (a) Battle of Plassey
  - (b) Battle of Saragarhi
  - (c) First Anglo-Afghan War
  - (d) Siege of Cawnpore
- 6. Consider the following statements about Dodo bird:
  - 1. The Dodo was a flightless bird native to the island of Madagascar.
  - 2. Human activities such as habitat destruction and introduction of non-native species led to the extinction of the Dodo.
  - 3. The Dodo became extinct in the 17th century.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 7. Consider the following statements about Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharai?
  - 1. He was born at Shivneri Fort in district Pune in the present-day Maharashtra.
  - 2. The Battle of Surat, 1664 was fought between Shivaji Maharaj and Inayat Khan.
  - 3. The Battle of Sangamner, 1679 was the first battle fought by Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 8. Consider the following statements about Operation "Sadbhay":
  - 1. It is launched by India to provide aid and urgent supplies to Vietnam, Laos, and Myanmar due to destruction by Typhoon Yagi.
  - Operation Sadbhav is part of India's broader effort to contribute to Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) within the ASEAN region, in line with its longstanding 'Act East Policy'.

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

- 9. Mpemba Effect, recently in news, is closely related to which of the following?
  - (a) It is a phenomenon where sound travels faster in hot air than in cold air.
  - (b) It refers to the process where boiling water evaporates more quickly than room temperature water.
  - (c) It describes how a hot metal cools faster than a cold metal when exposed to air.
  - (d) It is a counterintuitive phenomenon where a hot liquid cools or freezes faster than a cooler liquid.
- 10. Consider the following statements related to President's Rule under Article 356:
  - 1. The maximum period prescribed for its operation is 3 years.
  - Every resolution by Parliament approving its proclamation or extension can only be passed by a special majority.
  - 3. It has no effect on Fundamental Rights of the citizens. How many of the above statements is/are correct?
  - (a) Only one
  - (b) Only two
  - (c) All three
  - (d) None
- 11. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Bharatiya Sakshya (Second) Bill, 2023 allows electronic testimony from witnesses, accused individuals, and victims as evidence.
  - 2. The Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha (Second) Sanhita, 2023 requires forensic investigations for crimes punishable by two or more years.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 12. Consider the following pairs:

Match-1 Match-2

1. Mariner 10 NASA

2. BepiColombo European Space Agency

3. NOZOMI (PLANET-B) China National Space

Administration

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 13. Match the following Sikh Gurus with their key contributions:

Guru Key Contribution

- 1. Guru Teg Bahadur A. Founded Anandpur Sahib
- 2. Guru Ram Das B. Composed Adi Granth

- 3. Guru Arjun Dev
- C. Founded Amritsar and initiated construction of Golden Temple
- 4. Guru Hargobind
- Established Akal Takht and transformed Sikhs into a military community

Select the correct answer using the code below:

- (a) 1-C, 2-A, 3-B, 4-D
- (b) 1-B, 2-C, 3-D, 4-A
- (c) 1-A, 2-C, 3-B, 4-D
- (d) 1-D, 2-A, 3-C, 4-B
- 14. Consider the following statements about the Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF):
  - The ANRF was established to seed, grow, and foster a culture of research and innovation throughout the country.
  - It is a public-private partnership initiative aimed at enhancing collaboration between academia and industry.

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. Consider the following characteristics:
  - 1. It is situated on the banks of the Falgu River.
  - 2. It is made from large Munger Black stone.
  - 3. It was constructed in 1787 under the direction of Queen Ahilyabai Holkar.

Which temple is being described by the above features?

- (a) Vishnupad Temple
- (b) Somnath Temple
- (c) Brihadeeswarar Temple
- (d) Mahakaleshwar Temple
- 16. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. A unicorn is any privately owned firm with a market capitalization of more than USD 10 billion.
  - 2. Cheetahs are companies with a market capitalization between USD 200 million and USD 500 million.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 17. The Budapest Convention, sometimes seen in news, is related to which of the following?
  - (a) Aviation sector
  - (b) Cybercrime
  - (c) Prevention of marine pollution
  - (d) International trade of hazardous and other wastes

- 18. Consider the following statements about "Swabhav Swachhata Sanskaar Swachhata (4S) 2024 campaign",:
  - 1. The campaign aims at the transformation of highly challenging and unsanitary locations through targeted efforts.
  - 2. It involves the introduction of Cleanliness Target Units (CTUs) for the identification and mapping of dirty spots.
  - 3. The campaign focuses solely on the welfare of sanitation workers.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 19. Consider the following statements related to Tea Production
  - 1. India is the largest producer of tea globally.
  - 2. Majority of the tea exported out of India is black tea.
  - 3. Assam, West Bengal, Tamil Nadu, and Kerala account for the majority of India's total tea production.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 20. Consider the following characteristics:
  - 1. It is celebrated to commemorate the homecoming of the Asura king Mahabali.
  - 2. It begins on Atham and culminates on Thiruvonam.
  - 3. Pookkalam, Vallam Kali, Pulikali, and Kummattikali are key features of the celebration.

Which of the following festivals is being described above?

- (a) Bihu
- (b) Onam
- (c) Makar Sankranti
- (d) Pongal
- 21. Consider the following statements regarding steel:
  - 1. Stainless steel is an alloy of iron containing chromium, n ickel and carbon.
  - 2. Steel can be made corrosion-resistant by the addition of chromium.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) None of the Above
- 22. Consider the following statements regarding Alzheimer's Disease:
  - 1. It is a neurological disorder caused by a buildup of abnormal proteins in the brain causing brain cells to die.

2. It is fully curable with antibody drugs like Lecanemab and Donanemab.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) None of the Above
- 23. Consider the following statements related to Helium:
  - 1. It has a very low boiling point making it useful for cryogenics.
  - 2. It plays a crucial role in industrial welding processes.
  - 3. It can not be inhaled on its own, as it replaces the oxygen necessary for breathing.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 24. Seraikala, Khera, Deosa are mutually recognised as?
  - (a) Neolithic Rice-Cultivation Sites
  - (b) Historic Trading Posts
  - (c) Megalithic Sites
  - (d) Prehistoric Settlement Sites
- 25. Consider the following statements regarding India's space initiatives:
  - 1. The Venus Orbiter Mission (VOM) will be India's first interplanetary mission, scheduled for launch in 2028.
  - 2. Bhartiya Antriksh Station (BAS) will be India's own space station for scientific research.
  - 3. The Next Generation Launch Vehicle (NGLV) is designed to carry up to 30 tonnes to Low Earth Orbit (LEO).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 26. Regarding the Green Climate Fund (GCF), consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is the first fund for climate finance that was established outside the framework of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.
  - 2. It was established in 2010, and headquartered in the Republic of Korea.
  - 3. It supports projects, programs, and policies in developing country Parties through designated thematic funding windows aimed at addressing specific priority areas.

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

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

- 27. Regarding the Bio-RIDE scheme, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It aims to foster research, innovation, and entrepreneurship in biotechnology, positioning India as a global leader in this field.
  - 2. It supports a circular bioeconomy in line with the Lifestyle for the Environment (LiFE)' initiative to develop eco-friendly solutions to tackle climate change.

- (a) 1 Only
- (b) 2 Only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 28. Consider the following statements about Lebanon:
  - 1. It is a country in the Levant region of West Asia, with Beirut as its capital.
  - 2. It is bordered by Syria to the north and east, by Israel to the south, and by the Mediterranean Sea to the west.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 29. Consider the following statements about Financial Action Task Force (FATF):
  - 1. It is the global money laundering and terrorist financing watchdog set up in 1989.
  - 2. India joined with 'observer' status in 2006 and became a full member of FATF in 2010.
  - 3. It meets tri-annually in February, June and October, to take stock of "Mutual Evaluation Reports" (MERs) of the countries it reviews.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 30. Consider the following statements regarding Ammonium Nitrate (AN):
  - 1. Ammonium Nitrate is widely used in agriculture due to its high nitrogen content.
  - 2. It is a key component in the production of Ammonium Nitrate Fuel Oil (ANFO), which is used in mining and demolition.
  - 3. Ammonium Nitrate is found in instant cold packs and safety matches.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 31. Consider the following statements regarding the Sports Authority of India (SAI).
  - 1. It is an autonomous body established in 1984 under the Societies Registration Act, 1860.
  - 2. It was set up to carry forward the legacy of the IXth Asian Games held in New Delhi in 1982.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) None of the Above
- 32. Consider the following statements regarding the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) 4.0.
  - It is launched to skill youths in new age courses for Industry 4.0 like coding, AI, robotics, mechatronics, IOT, 3D printing, drones etc.
  - Training is provided at PMKVY Training Centres in line with the National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF).
  - 3. There is no stipend for candidates under training under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) All of the Above
- 33. Consider the following statements regarding the Supersonic Missile-Assisted Release of Torpedo (SMART) system.
  - It is an advanced missile-based delivery system for lightweight torpedoes to enhance warfare capabilities beyond traditional ranges.
  - 2. It will improve the Indian Air Force warfare capabilities.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) None of the Above
- 34. Consider the following statements regarding Explainable Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology.
  - 1. Explainable AI is programmed to describe its purpose, rationale and decision-making process in a way that the average person can understand.
  - 2. Hospitals can use explainable AI for cancer detection and treatment.

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

- 35. Consider the following statements regarding India's Renewable Energy sector.
  - 1. India has set targets for renewable energy and plans to install 500 GW of renewable energy capacity by 2030.
  - 2. In the 2024 Global Energy Transition Index, India improved its ranking to 63rd out of 120 countries, up from its position in 2023.
  - 3. India ranks third globally in installed renewable energy capacity in 2024.

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) None of the Above
- 36. Consider the following statements regarding the Arctic Sea.
  - 1. IPCC reports project the Arctic could experience its first "sea-ice free summer" before 2050 due to global emissions pushing temperatures above 4.5°C.
  - 2. The primary causes of Arctic amplification include icealbedo feedback, lapse rate feedback, water vapor feedback, and ocean heat transport.
  - 3. The Northern Sea Route connecting Europe and Asia-Pacific countries does not pass through the Arctic Sea.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) All of the Above
- 37. Consider the following statements regarding the Hindi language:
  - 1. In 1949, the Constituent Assembly designated Hindi in Devanagari script as the national language of the Union
  - 2. It is one of the 22 languages listed in the eighth schedule of the Constitution of India.
  - 3. It is also recognized as a classical language.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 38. Which of the following pollutants is not included in the Air Quality Index (AQI) in India?
  - (a) Nitrogen dioxide(NO2)
  - (b) Ammonia(NH3)
  - (c) Benzene
  - (d) Lead (Pb)
- 39. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Article 50 of the Indian Constitution mandates free legal aid for the poor and disadvantaged, ensuring justice.

- 2. Each Lok Adalat shall include specified serving or retired judicial officers and other local individuals.
- 3. A Lok Adalat award is final, binding, and equivalent to a civil court decree, and no appeal is allowed against

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2, and 3 only
- 40. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Maritime States Development Council (MSDC) is the top statutory body for the integrated development of major and minor ports.
  - 2. Recently launched Indian Maritime Centre (IMC) aims to resolve multi-modal and international maritime disputes.

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
- 41. Consider the following statements about PM Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan:
  - 1. It aims to address key gaps in social services like health, education, and livelihoods by combining various schemes and improving outreach.
  - 2. It will be implemented by 17 ministries through funds allocated to them under the Development Action Plan for Scheduled Tribes (DAPST).
  - 3. Tribal villages will be mapped on the PM Gati Shakti Portal, and best-performing districts will be rewarded.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 42. Consider the following statements about Harappan
  - 1. It was the largest of the four ancient urban civilizations alongside Egypt, Mesopotamia, and China.
  - 2. It is classified as a Bronze-age civilization due to the discovery of numerous artefacts made from copperbased alloys.
  - 3. Sir John Marshall, DG of ASI, was responsible for the excavations that led to the discovery of Harappa and Mohenjo-Daro sites.

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

- 43. Consider the following statements about India's Diamond Industry:
  - 1. India is the largest producer and exporter of rough diamonds by volume in the world.
  - 2. The gems and jewellery industry contributes around 7% of India's GDP.
  - 3. Surat is the primary hub for diamond cutting and polishing in India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 44. Consider the following statements about the Chess Olympiad:
  - 1. The Chess Olympiad is a biennial event organized by the World Chess Federation (FIDE) where teams representing different nations compete.
  - 2. The first official Chess Olympiad was held in 1924.

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. Consider the following features:
  - 1. They are known as Kahuaipuina in Manipur.
  - 2. They migrate from Northern China, Eastern Mongolia, and Far East Russia to South Africa.
  - 3. They are primarily insectivorous.

Which of the following species is being described above?

- (a) Siberian Crane
- (b) Amur Falcon
- (c) Black Kite
- (d) Asian Paradise Flycatcher
- 46. Regarding the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA), consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is a multi-country, multi-agency coalition of 96 big cat range countries, and non-range countries aimed at conserving 7 big cats and their habitats.
  - 2. It was officially launched in April 2023 to mark the 50th anniversary of Project Tiger.

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
- 47. Consider the following statements regarding the National Green Tribunal (NGT):
  - 1. The NGT must dispose of applications or appeals within six months of filing.

2. The Chairperson shall hold office for a term of three years or till the age of sixty-five years.

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
- 48. Consider the following statements:
  - Swachh Bharat Mission Urban 2.0 aims to achieve Garbage Free Status for all cities through 100% source segregation.
  - 2. ODF++ status ensures that cities are ODF and that public and community toilets are clean, functional, and hygienic.

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
- 49. Consider the following features:
  - 1. It is also known as Troy of the East.
  - 2. It is renowned for its strategic location atop three hillocks: Rajagiri, Krishnagiri, and Chandragiri.
  - 3. It was originally built by Ananta Kon of the Konar Dynasty.

Which fort is being referenced in the description above?

- (a) Chittorgarh Fort
- (b) Gingee Fort
- (c) Mehrangarh Fort
- (d) Raigad Fort
- 50. Consider the following statements related to Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (QUAD):
  - 1. It is a partnership among Australia, India, UAE, and the US.
  - 2. It originated in response to the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami.
  - 3. It held its first formal summit in 2010.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 51. Consider the following statements about Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967:
  - The National Investigation Agency (NIA) is empowered by the UAPA to investigate and prosecute cases nationwide.
  - 2. The act empowers the government to designate individuals as terrorists.

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

## 52. Consider the following statements:

- Non-Performing Asset (NPA) is a loan or advance for which the principal and/or interest payment remains overdue for a certain period of time.
- 2. In most cases, debt is classified as non-performing, when the loan payments have not been made for a minimum period of 90 days.
- 3. A substandard asset is an asset classified as an Non-Performing Asset (NPA) for a period less than or equal to 12 months.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 53. Consider the following statements about xenobots and anthrobots?
  - 1. Xenobots are formed from skin cells of deceased frog embryos and can navigate using cilia.
  - Anthrobots are multicellular entities made from human lung cells that can self-repair and restore damaged neuron cells.
  - 3. Xenobots replicate their forms through traditional growth methods.

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) All of the above
- 54. Consider the following characteristics:
  - 1. It has a global warming potential of 28.
  - 2. It is the primary component of natural gas.
  - 3. It burns with a blue flame in complete combustion.

Which of the following elements is described above?

- (a) Propane
- (b) Methane
- (c) Butane
- (d) Ethane
- 55. Consider the following pairs:

Telescope Location
Large Binocular Telescope Hawaii
Subaru Telescope Arizona
International Liquid Mirror Telescope Uttarakhand

How many of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

## 56. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Algae are simple, autotrophic organisms found in aquatic environments.
- Fungi are multicellular organisms with cellulosic cell walls

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. Consider the following statements regarding earthquakes:
  - 1. The point where the energy is released during the earthquake is called the epicenter.
  - 2. P-waves, like sound waves, travel through gases, liquids, and solids.
  - 3. The Richter scale measures intensity, reflecting the energy released during earthquakes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 58. Consider the following statements about Nuclear Weapons:
  - The Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) aims to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons and promote peaceful uses of nuclear energy.
  - 2. India is a signatory to the NPT.
  - 3. The Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) prohibits all nuclear explosions, for both civilian and military purposes, in all environments.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 59. Consider the following pairs:

IUCN Red List Species

Critically Endangered Great Indian Bustard, Jerdon's

Courser

Endangered Asiatic Lion, Nicobar Megapode

River Dolphin

Asian Wild Buffalo, Gangetic

How many of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

(a) Only one

Vulnerable

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

60. Consider the following statements

**Statement I:** The Supreme Court's intervention led to the implementation of measures for cleansing and preserving the Taj Mahal.

**Statement II:** Article 142 of the Indian Constitution provides discretionary power to the Supreme Court.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II explains Statement-I
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, but Statement-II does not explain Statement-I
- (c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct
- 61. Consider the following statements regarding Ocean Acidification.
  - 1. Ocean acidification is reducing the ocean's capacity to absorb anthropogenic CO2.
  - 2. Ocean acidification harms marine life by dissolving their shells and skeletons.
  - 3. It is occurring faster in the Arctic than in the global ocean.

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

- (a) Only One
- (b) Only Two
- (c) All Three
- (d) None
- 62. Consider the following statements regarding Deep Fake.
  - Deep Fakes are fabricated videos, images or audio generated through artificial intelligence tools.
  - 2. Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) are used for creating deep fakes.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) None
- 63. Consider the following statements about Tuvalu:
  - 1. It is a country in the west-central Pacific, halfway between Hawaii and Australia.
  - 2. Its capital is Funafuti and consists of 3 main islands Nanumanga, Niutao, and Niulakita.

Which of the above statements is/are not correct?

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 64. Consider the following statements related to Armed Forces Special Powers Act,1958:
  - 1. The British government introduced it in the form of ordinance to suppress the Quit India movement.
  - 2. It was passed by the parliament in 1958 in response to escalating violence in the North-eastern States.

3. Only Union governments can issue notifications declaring certain areas as disturbed under the act.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 65. Consider the following characteristics:
  - 1. It is the largest port in India by volume of cargo handled.
  - 2. It is situated on the West Coast of India.
  - 3. It is also known as Kandla port.

Which of the following ports is described by the above characteristics?

- (a) Jawaharlal Nehru Port
- (b) Deendayal Port
- (c) Mormugao Port
- (d) Kochi Port
- 66. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Sugarcane (Control) Order, 1966, empowers authorities to set the Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP).
  - 2. The Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP), under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, takes a final decision on MSPs for 23 commodities.

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
- 67. Consider the following pairs relation Intellectual property rights (IPR) conventions/treaty:

Match-1 Match-2

1. Paris : Protection of Industrial Property

Convention

2. Berne : Books for people with blindness or

Convention visual impairments

3. Marrakesh : Protection of Literary and Artistic

Treaty Works

How many of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 68. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat programme is an initiative of the Ministry of Tourism.
  - 2. PRASAD scheme was launched by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Development for the holistic development of pilgrimage destinations.

- (a) 1 Only
- (b) 2 Only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 69. Special and Differential Treatment sometimes seen in news is related to which of the following?
  - (a) International Monetary Fund (IMF)
  - (b) World Bank
  - (c) World Trade Organisation
  - (d) World Health Organisation
- 70. Consider the following statements
  - 1. The Sun's corona is the outermost part of the Sun's atmosphere.
  - 2. The Solar cycle refers to the cycle of change in the Sun's magnetic field.
  - 3. Auroras are caused by the change in the sunspots on the sun's surface.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 71. Consider the following statements regarding Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI).
  - FSSAI is an autonomous statutory body responsible for protecting and promoting public health by regulating and supervising food safety and quality in India.
  - 2. It has the power to directly enforce state-specific food laws.

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

- (a) 1 Only
- (b) 2 Only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 72. Consider the following statements regarding the Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO):
  - The CDSCO is the Central Drug Authority for discharging functions assigned to the Central Government under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act 1940.
  - 2. It is responsible for approving drugs, overseeing clinical trials, establishing drug standards and monitoring the quality of imported drugs.
  - 3. The SUGAM portal, launched by CDSCO, is an online platform that promotes transparency and accountability in licensing procedures.

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

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

- 73. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The "G" in 2G, 3G, and so on represents a generation of evolution in mobile network technology.
  - 2. 5G has higher latency and speed than 4G.

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
- 74. Consider the following statements regarding Africa:
  - 1. The Congo River basin is the second largest river basin in the world, after the Amazon.
  - 2. Masai Mara national reserve is located in Nigeria.

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
- 75. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. PM Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan is a centrally sponsored scheme for the welfare of tribal families in tribal-majority villages and aspirational districts.
  - 2. To boost tourism in tribal areas and provide alternative livelihoods, the Ministry of Tourism will promote 1,000 homestays under the Swadesh Darshan scheme.

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
- 76. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. China is the world's top milk producer followed by India.
  - 2. As per the Basic Animal Husbandry Statistics (BAHS) 2023, the top milk-producing state in India is Madhya Pradesh.
  - 3. More than half of India's total milk production comes from indigenous buffaloes.

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

- (a) Only One
- (b) Only Two
- (c) All Three
- (d) None
- 77. Consider the following statements regarding Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012:
  - 1. It protects children under 18 from sexual abuse, harassment, and pornography.
  - 2. The POCSO offenses are conditionally bailable.
  - 3. The POCSO Act applies to both boys and girls.

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

- 78. Consider the following statements regarding Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989:
  - The Central Government makes rules for this act, while State Governments and Union Territories administer it with central support.
  - The Act provides for relief and rehabilitation of victims, including financial compensation, legal aid, and support services.
  - 3. The Act does not cover offenses between SCs and STs. How many of the statements given above is/are correct?
  - (a) Only One
  - (b) Only Two
  - (c) All Three
  - (d) None
- 79. Consider the following statements regarding Rhinos:
  - 1. Arunachal Pradesh has the highest number of rhinos in India.
  - 2. The Indian rhinoceros has a single horn, which is found in both males and females.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) None of the Above
- 80. Consider the following statements regarding FAME India Scheme:
  - 1. It aims to encourage faster adoption of electric and hybrid vehicles in India.
  - 2. It offers financial incentives for the purchase of electric two-wheelers, three-wheelers, and government-owned buses.
  - 3. The Ministry of Finance is the monitoring authority for the FAME India Scheme.

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

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) None of the Above
- 81. Consider the following statements about Kumki Elephants:
  - 1. These are trained captive Asian elephants.
  - 2. They can capture, rescue, treat injured wild elephants, and drive them away from human settlements.
  - 3. Tamil Nadu has transferred 62 kumki elephants recently to other states.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 82. Consider the following statements regarding various international groupings advocating for United Nations Security Council (UNSC) reforms:
  - 1. The L69 Group advocates for a rotational permanent membership system for developing nations.
  - 2. The C-10 Group, based on the Ezulwini Consensus, demands that Africa be given two permanent UNSC seats with veto power.
  - 3. The G4 countries aim to secure permanent UNSC membership for themselves but do not support veto power reforms.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 83. Consider the following statements about GlobE Network:
  - 1. The GlobE Network was established under a G-20 initiative during the UN General Assembly Special Session against Corruption in 2021.
  - 2. The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) acts as the secretariat for the GlobE Network.
  - 3. The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) is the central authority in India for coordinating the GlobE Network.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 84. Consider the following statements related to Central Bureau of Investigation :
  - 1. It is a constitutional body.
  - 2. Its establishment was recommended by the Vohra Committee.
  - 3. If the general consent is revoked, the CBI must obtain specific consent from the concerned state government for each investigation.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 85. Consider the following characteristics:
  - 1. He founded the Naujawan Bharat Sabha.
  - 2. He was involved in the assassination of police officer J.P. Saunders.
  - 3. He authored the book "Why I Am an Atheist."

Which of the following personalities is being described by the characteristics above?

- (a) Lala Lajpat Rai
- (b) Rajguru
- (c) Bhagat Singh
- (d) Subhas Chandra Bose

## **Answers**

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

