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1. Consider the following statements regarding West Nile Virus:

1. West Nile Virus is a mosquito-borne, double-stranded DNA virus.
2. Vaccine is available for West Nile Virus.

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

2. Consider the following statements regarding "National Tiger Conservation Authority"?

1. The "Action Plan for Introduction of Cheetah in India" was released by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC).
2. It has decided to bring 50 African Cheetah from Namibia within the next 5 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

3. With reference to Astra Mk-1, consider the following statements:

1. Astra Mk-1 is a Beyond Visual Range, Surface-to-Air Missile.
2. The range for Astra Mk-1 is around 110 km.
3. Astra Mk-1 is developed and designed by Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

4. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The Goa Liberation Day commemorates the annexation of British-ruled Goa by Indian military forces.
2. The official language of Goa is Konkani which is not listed in the schedule-8 of the constitution.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

5. With reference to the Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Pilot (SCIAP) Project, consider the following statements:

1. The Urban Sustainability Assessment Framework (USAF) developed under the Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Pilot (SCIAP) project,
2. It is being funded through Global Environment Facility (GEF-6).

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. Consider the following statements regarding 'E-transmission Moratorium':

1. WTO members do not impose custom duties on member nations on e-transmission.
2. At the 12<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference (MC12) of the WTO, India is in favour of the continuation of a moratorium on Customs Duties on e-transmission.

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

7. Consider the following statements regarding Liquid Nano Urea?

1. It is an indigenously developed Urea, introduced by the Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited (IFFCO).
2. The efficiency of liquid nano urea is lower than the conventional urea.
3. India's first Liquid Nano Urea (LNU) plant is located at Vijaypur, Madhya Pradesh.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

8. Consider the following statements regarding the Free Trade Agreement (FTA)?

1. It aims to reduce, but not eliminate, customs tariff barriers on substantial trade between two countries.
2. Besides goods and services, FTAs also cover intellectual property rights (IPRs).

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

9. Recently the Abraham Accords term was in the news. It is related to which of the following?

- (a) A ceasefire agreement between Uzbekistan and Russia
- (b) The Monetary policy measures taken by the IMF
- (c) Normalisation of relations between Israel and four Islamic countries
- (d) The Trade deal signed by the Taliban government with central Asian countries

10. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to River Avulsions:

1. It is a typical feature associated with the rivers of temperate regions.
2. It occurs less frequently, only once a decade or century.

Choose the correct answer using the code given below:

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

11. With reference to LeadIt Initiative, consider the following statements:

1. It was launched by India in collaboration with the USA.
2. It meant to promote transfer of defence manufacturing technology between the two countries.
3. It also gathers countries and companies that are committed to action to achieve the Paris Agreement.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

12. The Solomon Islands are situated in which of the following oceans?  
 (a) Atlantic Ocean (b) Pacific Ocean  
 (c) Arctic Ocean (d) Indian Ocean
13. Which of the following Agencies jointly released the 'Tracking SDG 7- Energy Progress Report'?  
 1. International Energy Agency (IEA)  
 2. International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)  
 3. United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD)  
 4. World Bank  
 5. World Health Organization (WHO)  
 Select the correct answer using the codes given below:  
 (a) 1, 2 and 3 (b) 2, 3 and 4  
 (c) 3, 4 and 5 (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
14. Consider the following statements regarding the "Trincomalee Port"?  
 1. It is situated on a peninsula in Trincomalee Bay, on the northeastern coast of Sri Lanka.  
 2. It is the nearest port to Chennai, India.  
 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 Painted Leopard Gecko, consider the following statements:  
 1. It is provided with critically endangered status in the IUCN Red list.  
 2. In India, the Painted Leopard Gecko is common to Andhra Pradesh and Odisha.  
 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. Which of the following best describes 'Meri Saheli' initiative?  
 (a) It was launched by NABARD to provide easy credit to women Self Help Groups (SHGs).  
 (b) The Ministry of Women and Child Development provides free sanitary pads to schoolgirls under this initiative.  
 (c) The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise provides women vendors with a credit amount of Rs.10,000.  
 (d) It is an initiative of Indian Railways for ensuring the security of women.
17. Consider the following statements with reference to Kanger Ghati National Park:  
 1. It is situated in the state of Chhattisgarh.  
 2. Chhattisgarh has become First state in the country to recognise Community Forest Resource (CFR) rights of a village inside the Kanger Ghati National Park.  
 3. It mainly consists of natural vegetation of scrub and thorn trees.  
 Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?  
 (a) 1 and 2 only  
 (b) 2 and 3 only  
 (c) 1 and 3 only  
 (d) All the statements are incorrect.
18. Consider the following Statements with reference to India's Liquid Mirror Telescope (LMT):  
 1. It is the world's first Liquid-Mirror Telescope (LMT) to be commissioned for astronomy.  
 2. A conventional telescope is a stationary telescope whereas an LMT moves along the direction of the object of interest in the sky.  
 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
19. Consider the following statements regarding the "Eco-Sensitive Zones (ESZs)"?  
 1. ESZs are defined as areas within 10 km of national parks and wildlife sanctuaries.  
 2. These are prescribed under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.  
 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
20. Consider the following statements regarding the "SHRESHTA" scheme?  
 1. The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment has launched the scheme 'SHRESHTA.'  
 2. It aims at providing quality education and opportunity to girl students.  
 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
21. Arrange the following regions of India in the correct order from north to south:  
 1. Galwan Valley  
 2. Pangong Tso  
 3. Daulat Beg Oldi  
 4. Hot Spring  
 Select the correct option from the codes given below:  
 (a) 1-3-4-2 (b) 1-2-3-4  
 (c) 3-1-4-2 (d) 2-1-3-4
22. Consider the following statements:  
 1. A unicorn is any privately owned firm with a market capitalization of less than USD 1 million.  
 2. The average annual growth rate of Indian unicorns is more than that of the U.S. and the U.K.  
 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
23. Consider the following statements regarding "United Nations Climate Change Conference (CoP26)"?  
 1. The Glasgow Climate Pact was signed to reduce non-carbon dioxide greenhouse gas emissions, including methane.  
 2. India signed up for the Global Methane Pledge.  
 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

24. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding recommendations in the banking sector?

1. The recommendation of the entry of business houses into the banking sector was made by the Narasimham Committee, 1998.
2. An RBI Working Group recently suggested bringing down the government stake in public banks below 33%.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

25. Consider the following statements regarding "Drone-Based Vaccine Delivery Model, i-drone"?

1. Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has devised a Drone-Based Vaccine Delivery Model, i-drone.
2. The northeastern states have been approved to use this drone technology for delivering vaccines in remote areas.

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

26. With reference to Kosi River, consider the following statements:

1. It is a transboundary river which flows between Bhutan and India.
2. It has the lowest amount of load carrying capacity amongst all the major rivers of India.
3. It is known as the sorrow of Bihar.

Which of the statements given above are correct:

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

27. Consider the following statements regarding the "United Nations Security Council (UNSC)"?

1. It was established by the UN Charter in 1945 with its headquarters in New York.
2. The presidency of the UNSC rotates every month its 15 members.

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. Which of the following methods are used to convert Biomass into energy:

1. Gasification
2. Pyrolysis
3. Combustion
4. Bioventing
5. Biosparging

Choose the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1, 3, 4, and 5 only (b) 2, 3, 4, and 5 only  
(c) 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 (d) 1, 2 and 3 only

29. Consider the following statements regarding 'Gun Control Legislation in India':

1. Unlawful manufacture, sale and transfer are liable for an imprisonment term not less than seven years.

2. In India, the minimum age for acquiring a gun license is 18 years.

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

30. With reference to Malaria, consider the following statements:

1. It is a blood borne disease caused by the Plasmodium Parasite.
2. After entering the human body, parasites initially multiply within the liver cells and then attack the White Blood Cells (WBCs) resulting in their rupture.
3. Africa has the biggest burden of Malaria in the whole world.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

31. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G), consider the following statements:

1. The Ministry of Rural Development implements PMAY-G.
2. It aims to provide a pucca house with basic amenities to all rural families who are homeless or living in kutchra or dilapidated houses.
3. Madhya Pradesh and West Bengal have a completion rate of houses under PMJAY-G above the national average.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

32. Consider the following statements:

1. Stagflation is defined as a condition in which price rise is declining at the same time economic growth slows down.
2. Stagflation is controlled by the Security Exchange Board of India (SEBI) through appropriate change in monetary policy.

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

33. Consider the following statements regarding World Environment Day:

1. World Environment Day is celebrated on 5th June every year to encourage awareness and environmental protection.
2. The United Nations General Assembly established the World Environment Day in 1972, on the first day of the Stockholm Conference on the human environment.
3. World Environment Day 2021 kicked off the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration (2021-2030).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

34. With reference to the LiFE Movement, consider the following statements:

1. The idea of LiFE was introduced by India during the 26<sup>th</sup> United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) in Glasgow in 2021.
2. The Movement aims to replace the prevalent “use and dispose” economy by a circular economy.
3. The Mission plans to create and nurture a global network of individuals, namely ‘Pro-Planet People’ (P3).

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

35. With reference to heavy metals, consider the following statements:

1. Heavy metals are naturally present in the earth's crust.
2. Mining, industrial, and agricultural operations are all anthropogenic sources of heavy metals in the environment
3. Metals like lead, iron, nickel, cadmium, etc. are examples of heavy metals.
4. The effect of heavy metals is not everlasting, and their negative effect goes off within just a few days.

Which of the statements given above are correct:

- (a) 1, 2, and 3 only                      (b) 2, 3, and 4 only  
(c) 2 and 3 only                          (d) 1 and 3 only

36. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to Government-E-Marketplace (GeM) Portal:

1. It is a one-stop National Public Procurement Portal to facilitate online procurement of common use Goods only.
2. The procurement of goods and services by Ministries and the Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) is mandatory for goods and services available on GeM.
3. The Ministry of Agriculture and farmers welfare is the nodal agency of GeM portal

Choose the correct statements using the codes given below:

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

37. With reference to Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF), consider the following statements:

1. The USOF was created under the Department of Telecommunications in 2002.
2. This fund is a lapsable fund.
3. USOF ensures universal non-discriminatory access to quality ICT services at economically efficient prices to people in rural and remote areas.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

38. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Rubber is made up of polymers derived from the organic compound isoprene.
2. Rubber is a coherent elastic solid obtained from the latex of tropical trees.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

39. Consider the following statements:

1. India and Oman signed a Programme of Cooperation (POC) in the fields of Science and Technology
2. India has a Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) with UAE.
3. India has signed a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with Kuwait.
4. Saudi Arabia and India have signed the agreement on Startup bridge.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) 3 only                                  (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

40. With reference to Sugarcane, consider the following statements:

- (a) It can be grown only on highly fertile alluvial soil.
- (b) It mostly requires the use of mechanical labour and very rare manual labour.
- (c) It requires a hot and humid climate.
- (d) India is the second largest producer of sugarcane after Brazil.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1, 2, and 3 only                      (b) 2, 3, and 4 only  
(c) 3 and 4 only                          (d) 1, 3, and 4 only

41. Consider the following statements:

1. Dibang is a tributary of the Brahmaputra River.
2. Dibang flows through the states of Arunachal Pradesh and Assam.
3. The Etalin Hydro Power Project is planned to be constructed on the Dibang River.

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. With reference to the India-Bangladesh Relationship, consider the following statements:

1. Bandhan Express from Kolkata to Khulna is a railway link between India and Bangladesh.
2. IN-BN CORPAT is a defense exercise between the armies of both nations.

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

43. Regarding the State Food safety Index (SFSI), consider the following statements:

1. The index is developed by FSSAI (Food Safety and Standards Authority of India).
2. Tamil Nadu topped the State Food Safety Index (2022).

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



44. Which of the following statements are correct regarding the Information Technology Rules, 2021?

1. Mandates social media to Exercise Greater Diligence
2. Establish a Grievance Officer
3. Made Government the Arbiter to Suppress Speech
4. Obligation on social media to Resolve Complaints

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only                      (b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 1 only                              (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

45. Jan Samarth Portal is an initiative of which of the following Ministries?

- (a) Ministry of Commerce and Industry.  
(b) Ministry of Finance  
(c) Ministry of Skill development and Entrepreneurship  
(d) Ministry of Rural Development

46. Which one of the following statements best describes the AIWASI Initiative?

- (a) It is a Polar exploration mission of India.  
(b) It is an initiative wherein women Self Help Groups (SHGs) will be provided skill development training as per National skill Qualification Framework (NSQF).  
(c) It is a water security arrangement between Australia and India.  
(d) It was launched by Railways to ensure the safety of women passengers.

47. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has announced the Minimum Support Price for which of the following Kharif crops?

1. Paddy
2. Soybean
3. Sunflower,
4. Rapeseed
5. Mansur
6. Sesamum
7. Moong

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2, 3, 5, and 7 only    (b) 2, 4, 5 and 6 only  
(c) 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 only    (d) 1, 2, 3, 6, and 7 only

48. Consider the following statements:

1. A bad bank is a financial entity set up to buy Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) from banks.
2. Debt is classified as non-performing, when the loan payments have not been made for a minimum period of 90 days.

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 statements with reference to 'Unified Geologic Map of the Moon'.

1. It is a joint venture of the NASA and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency.
2. This map will be a blueprint of the Moon's surface geology for future human missions.

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

50. Which of the following statements regarding the Global Sustainable Development Report, 2022 is/are correct?

1. It's published by the World Economic Forum (WEF)
2. India and Cambodia are the two countries that progressed most on the SDGs since 2015.
3. Finland is the best performing country.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

51. With reference to the UN Convention on the International Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), consider the following statements:

1. It divides marine areas into five main zones.
2. It is the only international convention that stipulates a framework for state jurisdiction in maritime spaces.
3. It provides specific guidance for states' rights and responsibilities in the respected zones.

Which of the given statements above is/are correct?

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

52. Which of the following countries border the Aegean Sea?

1. Turkey
2. Ukraine
3. Bulgaria
4. Greece
5. Italy

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 and 4 only                      (b) 1, 2 and 3 only  
(c) 2, 3 and 4 only                      (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

53. With reference to the Slow Fashion Movement, which of the following statements are correct?

1. It is concerned with the tardy process of adopting new fashion streams.
2. It is an approach to producing clothing which takes into consideration all aspects of the supply chain.

Choose the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

54. Regarding the Sirumalai Hills, consider the following statements:

1. They are located in Kerala.
2. It's considered as a part of western ghat.
3. Sirumalai hills shares boundary with Arabian sea.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only                      (b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 1, 2 and 3 only                      (d) None of the above

55. Regarding the NewSpace India Limited, consider the following statements:

1. It's located in Hyderabad.
2. It's under the administrative control of the PMO (Prime Minister Office).
3. The mission of NSIL is to undertake innovative research of new possibilities of life forms in space.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) 1 and 3 only                      (d) None

56. Consider the following statements:

1. Marijuana is a psychoactive drug from the Cannabis plant family.
2. Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) is the primary psychoactive component of Marijuana.
3. Thailand has become the first Asian country to legalise the cultivating, possessing and recreational use of Marijuana.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

57. Consider the following statements:

1. Species which have been classified as vermin are placed in schedule V of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.
2. The Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 defines the word vermin.
3. Common crows, fruit bats, rats and mice are vermin.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

58. Consider the following statements:

1. China is only the third country to have put both astronauts into space and to build a space station, after Russia and the US.
2. Tiangong space station is a Chinese space station being built in medium Earth orbit.
3. Tianhe is the first module to launch the Tiangong space station.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

59. With respect to the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY), consider the following statements:

1. It is a centrally sponsored scheme.
2. All Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers (PW&LM) are eligible for this scheme.
3. Implementation of the scheme is monitored by both the Central and State governments.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

60. Consider the following statements regarding the Fishing Cat:

1. The world's first population estimation of the fishing cat conducted outside the protected area network has been done in Kolleru lake.
2. They spend most of their lives in areas of dense vegetation close to water bodies.

Which of the following statements given above are correct?

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

61. With reference to the Electric Vertical Take-off and Landing (eVTOL) aircraft, consider the following statements:

1. The project Electric Vertical Take Off and Landing aircraft was launched by the Ministry of Defense (eVTOL).
2. It is based on distributed electric propulsion technology.

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

62. Consider the following pairs:

**Military exercises with India Countries**

- |                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| 1. Garuda Shakti | Indonesia  |
| 2. Ex SAMPRITI-X | Bangladesh |
| 3. Hand-in-Hand  | China      |
| 4. Kurukshetra   | Singapore  |

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

- (a) 1 and 2 only                      (b) 1, 2 and 3 only  
(c) 2, 3 and 4 only                      (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

63. Consider the following statements with reference to 'GeM Portal':

1. GeM is a one-stop National Public Procurement Portal for online procurement of commonly used Goods and Services by the people.
2. The Ministry of Commerce and Industries is the nodal agency for the GeM portal 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

64. Which of the following countries share borders with Israel?

1. Lebanon
2. Egypt
3. Jordan
4. Syria
5. Cyprus

Select the correct answer by using the codes given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3                              (b) 1, 2, 3 and 4  
(c) 1, 2, 3 and 4                              (d) 2, 3, 4 and 5

65. Consider the following statements regarding the Single Nodal Agency (SNA) Dashboard of PFMS ((Public Financial Management System):

1. It is a major reform initiated in 2021 regarding the way funds for Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) are released, disbursed and monitored.
2. It will control the finances of all the states.

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

66. Regarding the "Environment Performance Index (EPI)" consider the following statements:

1. It's a biennial index published by the World Economic Forum.
2. Denmark has topped the 2022 rankings for EPI 2022.
3. India has witnessed a decline in its environmental performance index as compared to its performance in EPI 2020.

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

67. With reference to the Commission for Air Quality Management, consider the following statements:

1. It cannot overrule the directives issued by the state government in any circumstances.
2. The chairperson holds the office for five years or until he/she attains the age of 65 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

68. With reference to the Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings 2022, consider the following statements:

1. It is an annual publication of university rankings which comprises the global overall and subject rankings.
2. The University of Cambridge of the United Kingdom is the top university in QS World University rankings.
3. There is no Indian Institute in the top 100.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

69. Consider the following statements with reference to Brahmos Missile:

1. It is a two-stage Surface to surface missile with a flight range of around 300 km.
2. It is a Ballistic Missile.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

70. With respect to the Ramsay Hunt Syndrome, consider the following statements:

1. This syndrome is also known as Herpes Zoster Oticus.
2. It is a type of bacterial syndrome.
3. It leads to temporary facial paralysis.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

71. Which of the following martial arts is associated with Kashmir?

- (a) Paikha Akhadha (b) Musti Yuddha  
(c) Sqay (d) Thang Ta

72. Consider the following pairs:

#### Martial Art Forms

#### States

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| 1. Kalaripayattu | Andhra Pradesh |
| 2. Kathi Samu    | Kerala         |
| 3. Silambam      | Tamil Nadu     |
| 4. Mallakhamb    | Madhya Pradesh |

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

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only  
(c) 3 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

73. With respect to the zonal councils, consider the following statements:

1. India is divided into five zonal councils as per State Reorganisation Act, 1956.
2. The Chief Ministers of states and union territories of each zone act as the vice chairman of the Zonal Council for that zone by rotation, for a period of one year at a time.
3. It is mandatory to have at least one meeting of each zonal council every year.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

74. Which of the following statements is correct regarding Representation of People's Act, 1951?

- (a) One candidate can contest from a maximum of three constituencies.  
(b) If a candidate sacrifices one of the Constituencies, a by-election is automatically triggered after the general election.  
(c) If a candidate contested from two constituencies and won both, then he or she represents both the constituencies.  
(d) The Chief Election Commissioner has the power to limit the seats from which a candidate can contest elections.

75. Which of the following bilateral exercise is performed between India and Indonesia?

- (a) GARUDA (b) Dharma Guardian  
(c) Samudra Shakti (d) INDRA

76. Consider the following statements:

1. Being a signatory to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) does not directly create legal obligations for countries.
2. India does not have any contribution to the drafting of the UDHR.

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

77. Consider the following statements regarding Biomass Co-Firing:

1. The Union Ministry of Power has mandated 5-10% co-firing at every thermal power plant in the country.
2. India has sufficient agricultural residue and pellet manufacturing capacity for its Biomass Co-Firing need.
3. Only pellets with up to 14% of moisture can be used for combustion along with coal.



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

78. With reference to the Regulations Review Authority, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The Ministry of Finance has set up a Regulations Review Authority (RRA 2.0).
2. RRA 2.0 seeks to streamline the regulatory instructions, reducing the compliance burden of the entities under regulations.
3. Regulated entities include commercial banks, urban co-operative banks, Non-Banking Financial Companies.
4. RRA examines and suggests the changes required in the dissemination process of RBI (Reserve Bank of India) circulars/ instructions.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only  
(c) 2 only (d) 1, 2 and 3

79. Recently the term Nixtamalisation Technique was in the news. It refers to which of the following?

- (a) It is used by paddy farmers for stubble wastage management.
- (b) It was used by the ancient peoples of Mesoamerica like the Maya to soak and cook their maize in an alkaline solution and make it more palatable, nutritious and non-toxic.
- (c) It is a technique for the faster pace growth of forests.
- (d) It is the method for limited application of fertilizers to crops.

80. Consider the following statements:

1. A neobank is a kind of digital bank without any physical branches.
2. In India, neobanks don't have a bank licence of their own.
3. Neobanks generally offer more services than traditional banks.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

81. With respect to the Agnipath scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It allows youths to serve in the Armed Forces for a period of two years.
2. Under this scheme, aspirants between the ages of 17.5 years and 21 years will be eligible to apply.

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. With reference to Pardoning power, consider the following statements:

1. Both the President and Governor have the power to grant pardon against both union and state laws.
2. While the President is constitutionally bestowed with the power of pardoning, the Constitution of India doesn't mention the same for Governor.
3. The President can pardon a sentence imposed by a court-martial, but the Governor cannot.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

83. In which one of the following groups, are all the four countries the members of Shanghai Corporation Organisation (SCO)?

- (a) Kazakhstan, China, India and Russia
- (b) Russia, Armenia, Turkey and China
- (c) Japan, China, South Korea and Thailand
- (d) Kazakhstan, Afghanistan, China and Uzbekistan

84. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Vaya Vandana Yojana, consider the following statements:

1. PMVVY is an insurance policy-cum-pension scheme that provides security to senior citizens.
2. This scheme is exempted from GST.
3. The scheme can be purchased offline as well as online through Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) of India.
4. This scheme is open for Indian as well as foreign citizens.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 4 only  
(c) 3 and 4 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 only

## Answers

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