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1. Which of the following discontinuities lies between the Mantle and Crust of the earth?
 - (a) Repetti discontinuity
 - (b) Guttenberg discontinuity
 - (c) Moho discontinuity
 - (d) Lehmen discontinuity
2. With reference to the Adi community, consider the following statements:
 1. They are found in the state of Arunachal Pradesh.
 2. Siang Unying, Solung and Aran are some of the major festivals that are celebrated among this community.
 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. What is the Institute for Energy Economics and Financial Analysis (IEEFA)?
 - (a) A non-profit research organization that provides analysis and commentary on energy markets, policies, and investments.
 - (b) A government agency responsible for regulating the energy sector in the United States.
 - (c) A private company that specializes in energy trading and investments.
 - (d) An advocacy group that promotes the use of renewable energy sources.
4. Which of the following is correct about Internet shutoffs in India?
 1. Both Central and state governments are empowered to order internet shutdown under Indian telegraph act.
 2. An indefinite suspension of internet services would be illegal under Indian law.
 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
5. With reference to QR-Code Based Coin Vending Machine (QCVM), consider the following statements:
 1. It is a cashless coin dispensation machine which would dispense coins using a credit card.
 2. It would eliminate the need for physical tendering of banknotes and their authentication.
 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. The Windsor Framework, recently in the news, is related to which of the following issues?
 - (a) Territorial dispute between Spain and the UK over Gibraltar
 - (b) Trade issues among Northern Ireland, rest of the UK and the European Union.
 - (c) Dispute between Greece and Turkey over Aegean Sea
 - (d) Energy security between Russia and Germany
7. With reference to the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), consider the following statements:
 1. It was established under the Societies Registration Act, 1860.
 2. It is an autonomous organisation under the Department of Agricultural Research and Education (DARE).
 3. It is headquartered in New Delhi.
 Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
8. Regarding the Punchhi Commission, consider the following statements:
 1. The Commission was appointed by the Government of India in 2007.
 2. It recommended the formation of a National Integration Council.
 3. It recommended a committee to select the governor which comprises the Prime Minister, the Home Minister, and the Lok Sabha's speaker only.
 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
9. With reference to Proton Beam Therapy, consider the following statements:
 1. It is a type of cancer treatment that uses a beam of high-energy protons to destroy cancer cells.
 2. Unlike traditional radiation therapy, proton therapy does not damage healthy tissues surrounding the tumor.
 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. Consider the following statements about Indian Pharma Sector:
 1. Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 regulates the import, manufacturing and distribution of drugs in India.
 2. Ministry of Health is responsible for floating E-pharmacy rules.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2

11. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA), 1976?

1. An NGO seeking to receive foreign donations under FCRA must open a bank account in a public sector bank.
2. FCRA registration for NGOs is valid for 7 years and must be renewed within 3 months of the date of expiration.

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

12. Consider the following statements:

1. The Election Commission of India is a six-member body.
2. Election Commission resolves the disputes relating to splits/mergers of recognised political parties.
3. The CEC can be removed from office only through a process of removal similar to that of a SC judge by Parliament.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

13. Consider the following statements about Dengue:

1. Dengue is a mosquito-borne tropical disease caused by a virus.
2. It is transmitted principally by Aedes aegypti mosquito.
3. Same mosquito can also transmit Chikungunya and Zika virus.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

14. With reference to the World Wildlife Day, consider the following statements:

1. It is celebrated on 3rd of March every year.
2. The theme of this year is 'Partnerships for Wildlife Conservation'.
3. This day coincides with the day of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES).

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

15. With respect to Helium, consider the following statements:

1. Helium is a noble gas and has an open-shell electronic configuration, making it unstable and unreactive.
2. It has the lowest boiling and melting points of any element and exists only as a gas, except under extreme conditions.

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. Consider the following statements about teak:

1. It is also known as Indian oak and teca.
2. Its production covers 10% of global annual timber demand.
3. This wood species is listed in the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species as endangered.

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

17. With reference to the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA), consider the following statements:

1. It aims to build and expand understanding and mutually beneficial cooperation through consensus-based, evolutionary, and non-intrusive means.
2. As of 2023, it has 23 member states.
3. Its secretariat is based in Mauritius.

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

18. Which of the following are the indicators used to compute the Academic Freedom Index Report?

1. Freedom to research and teach
2. Freedom of academic exchange and dissemination,
3. Institutional autonomy of universities
4. Campus integrity

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

19. Women, Business and the Law 2023 Report is released by which of the following?

- (a) World Bank (b) UNDP
(c) BRICS (d) WEF

20. Recently, India has collaborated with Asia Energy Transition Initiative (AETI). Which of the following country has taken this initiative?

- (a) China (b) USA
(c) Germany (d) Japan

21. Consider the following statements:

1. Neutrinos are the most abundant particles in the Universe.
2. Just like positron is an anti-particle of electron, neutrinos are the anti-particles of photons.
3. Neutrinos do not have an electric charge.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

22. Which of the following statements accurately describes the scope of Article 14 of the Indian Constitution?
- Article 14 only prohibits discrimination based on race, caste, religion, gender, or place of birth.
 - Article 14 guarantees equal protection of the law to all persons within the territory of India, regardless of their status or affiliation.
 - Article 14 applies only to Indian citizens and not to foreign nationals residing in India.
 - Article 14 ensures that every person has the right to equal pay for equal work.
23. Which of the following best describes the Raman Effect?
- The scattering of light by a medium, resulting in a shift in the frequency of the scattered light.
 - The absorption of light by a medium, resulting in a shift in the frequency of the absorbed light.
 - The reflection of light by a medium, resulting in a shift in the frequency of the reflected light.
 - The diffraction of light by a medium, resulting in a shift in the frequency of the diffracted light.
24. With reference to Khondalite Stones, consider the following question:
- It is a type of metamorphic rock that is found in the Western Ghats region of India.
 - They are commonly used as a decorative stone in construction.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
25. With reference to Administrative Powers of Chief Justice of India, consider the following statements:
- CJI decides the number of judges that will hear a case in Supreme Court.
 - The Chief Justice exercises the prerogative of allocating cases to particular benches.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
26. Regarding the protection against self-incrimination, which of the following statements is/are correct?
- The protection against self-incrimination applies to both oral and documentary evidence.
 - The protection against self-incrimination does not extend to the compulsory production of material objects.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
27. Consider the following statements about GeM:
- It was established in 2016 to facilitate procurement of goods and services by government agencies.
 - It is a completely paperless, cashless, and system-driven e-marketplace.
 - It functions under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
28. What is the purpose of the Social Stock Exchange (SSE)?
- To provide a platform for social enterprises to raise funds from the public and increase transparency about fund mobilisation and utilisation.
 - Corporate foundations can get listed on a stock exchange.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
29. What of the following best describes the Tycho, a supernova explosion which was visible to people on Earth in 1572?
- It is a Type II, caused by the collapse of a massive star's core.
 - It is a Type Ia, caused by a white dwarf star shredding its companion star.
 - It is a Type Ib, caused by the core collapse of a stripped envelope massive star.
 - It is a Type Ic, caused by the core collapse of a massive star that has lost its hydrogen and helium envelope.
30. With reference to Chandrayaan-3 Mission, consider the following statements:
- It's aimed to land on the lunar South Pole.
 - It will have two major modules- the Propulsion module and the Lander module only.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
31. Regarding the Seahorse, consider the following statements:
- They are classified as fish, in the genus Hippocampus.
 - In India, they are primarily found in Andaman and Nicobar Islands.
 - They have a unique reproductive habit, where the male gives birth to child.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3 only

32. With Jal Jeevan Mission, consider the following statements:

1. It envisages supply of 55 litres of water per person per day to every rural household through Functional Household Tap Connections (FHTC) by 2024.
2. It comes under the Ministry of Jal Shakti.
3. It focuses on integrated demand and supply-side management of water at the local level.

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

33. Consider the following statements:

1. Indian Road Congress (IRC) is the Apex Body of Highway Engineers in India.
2. IRC was set up on the recommendations of the Jayakar Committee.
3. The world's first bamboo crash barrier has been installed in Maharashtra.

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

34. Consider the following statements about Forest Certification:

1. It is a mechanism for forest monitoring, tracing and labelling timber, wood and pulp products and non-timber forest products.
2. In India, forests in only Uttar Pradesh are certified.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

35. Consider the following statements about Erythritol:

1. It is a type of sugar alcohol commonly used as a sugar substitute in foods and beverages.
2. It has no calories and does not raise blood sugar levels.
3. It is also believed to have a lower Glycemic Index (GI) than other sweeteners.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

36. Consider the following statements about Migration with reference to Migration in India Report 2020-21:

1. The report is released by the Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation.
2. According to report most of the female migration was caused in search of employment.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

37. Consider the following statements regarding SWAMIH (Special Window for Affordable and Mid-Income Housing) Investment Fund:

1. It has been set up as a Category-II Alternate Investment Fund (AIF) debt fund registered with the Reserve Bank of India.
2. The only eligibility criteria for the real estate projects to obtain loan from SWAMIH Fund is that they must be registered under RERA.

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. Consider the following:

1. Argentina 2. Mexico
3. South Africa 4. Iran
5. Malaysia

Which of the following are the members of the G-20 Groups:

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

39. With reference to the Mugger or Marsh Crocodiles, consider the following statements:

1. It is found in India and Pakistan only.
2. It is considered as the Earth's largest living crocodile species.
3. It is listed as vulnerable in the IUCN red list.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

40. Regarding the Bio-Computers, consider the following statements:

1. It is a combination of brain organoids with modern computing methods using machine learning.
2. They can record the neurons firing patterns and mimic sensory stimuli.
3. While Bio brains are slower than human brains at simple arithmetic, they outshine human brain at processing complex information.

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 only

41. With reference to Great Indian Bustard, consider the following statements:

1. It's International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) status is Critically Endangered.
2. In India, its population is confined mostly to Gujarat and Rajasthan.

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

42. Consider the following statements:

1. There are four types of seasonal influenza viruses, types A, B, C and D.
2. Influenza A and B viruses circulate and cause seasonal epidemics of disease.

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

43. With reference to the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), consider the following statements:

1. It is an autonomous body under the University Grants Commission (UGC).
2. It is responsible for assessing the quality of higher educational institutions in 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

44. Which of the following is correct about Megha-Tropiques-1 Satellite:

1. It is an Indo-Canada Earth Observation Satellite.
2. It was launched for carrying out tropical weather and climate studies.
3. It was recently in news as the ISRO has successfully carried out the controlled Re-Entry experiment for the decommissioned Megha-Tropiques-1 (MT-1) Satellite.

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

45. Consider the following statements:

1. India slipped to 135th place in Global Gender Gap Report 2022.
2. Women represent 14.44% of the total members of the Lok Sabha.

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

46. With reference to the High seas, consider the following statements:

1. It is an area within a country's territorial waters.
2. It is an area where a country has jurisdiction over living and non-living resources.
3. It accounts for more than 60% of the world's ocean area.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

47. Which of the following statements regarding the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC) in India is/are correct?

1. The CrPC provides for both the appointment and the removal of public prosecutors by the state government.
2. The jurisdiction of a criminal court can be determined by the place where the offense was committed, the place where the accused person resides, or the place where the victim resides.

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. The word 'Scrub typhus' is sometimes mentioned in the news. Which of the following correctly defines it?

- (a) It is a life-threatening bacterial infection.
(b) It is a cough syrup cause children's death in Ghana.
(c) It is a viral zoonotic disease host in a wild pig.
(d) None of the Above

49. Which of the following can be a potential use of Gene Editing Technology?

1. Designer babies
2. Disease resistant crops
3. De-extinction of Species

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

50. Which of the following is correct about time zone of a lunar mission?

- (a) Lunar mission runs on time zone of the country operating the spacecraft.
(b) Lunar mission runs on time zone of the International Space Station.
(c) American time zone is widely accepted by all the countries for lunar missions.
(d) Moon's own time zone is used for lunar missions, which was established for Apollo11 mission.

51. With reference to Virtual Digital Assets and Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) 2002, consider the following statements:

1. VDA service providers must adhere to the same reporting requirements and KYC requirements as other regulated companies, such as banks.
2. The PMLA controls the transfer of virtual digital assets.

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

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

52. Which one of the following best describes Antibiotics?

1. Antibiotics are the drugs that can kill biological organisms in the body while causing no harm to the body.
2. Antibiotics can cure any disease.

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

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

53. With reference to the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), consider the following statements:

1. It is one of the seven Central Armed Police Forces in India.
2. It consists of an air wing, a marine wing, an artillery regiment, and commando units.

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

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

54. Which of the following countries borders Persian Gulf?

1. Iraq 2. Kuwait
3. Jordan 4. Bahrain
5. Qatar

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

55. Consider the following statements regarding 'IBSA Grouping':

1. It is a developmental initiative between India, Bangladesh and South Africa to promote South-South cooperation and exchange.
2. The grouping was formalised and named the IBSA Dialogue Forum after the Brasilia Declaration.

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

56. With reference to Hallmarking, consider the following statements:

1. It is the accurate determination and official recording of the proportionate content of precious metal.
2. In India, it consisted of 3 marks, the BIS logo, purity of the article and six-digit alphanumeric HUID only.

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:

1. Unhealthy lifestyles are a major contributor to coronary heart disease.
2. Coronary heart disease can be treated by regrowing damaged heart tissue.
3. Coronary heart disease is a condition in which the arteries become narrow due to the buildup of fatty deposits inside the blood vessels.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

58. Which of the following statements is true about firnification?

- (a) Firn is a type of sedimentary rock formed from compacted snow.
(b) Firn is a transitional stage between snow and glacier ice.
(c) Firnification occurs when ice melts and freezes repeatedly, forming layers of ice.
(d) Firnification is a process that occurs exclusively in polar regions.

59. With reference to Raisina Dialogue, consider the following statements:

1. It is a flagship conference on "geopolitics and geo-strategy" organized by the India Foundation.
2. It is a multi-stakeholder event, which includes cross-sectoral discussions, involving heads of state and cabinet ministers.

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

60. With the reference to the Army Court Martial of India, consider the following statements:

1. A court martial is typically composed of military officers who serve as both judge and jury.
2. The President can use his/her powers to pardon, reprieve, respite or remission of punishment or sentence given by a court martial.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. It is located in the Gulf of Persia.
2. It is the only Iranian port with direct access to the ocean.
3. It is situated in the Khorasan province of Iran.
4. The port offers a gateway to trade opportunities between India, Iran, Afghanistan and central Asian countries.

Which of the following statements about Chabahar port is/are correct?

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

62. Recently, India and Australia signed the Mutual Logistics Support Agreement (MLSA), consider the following statements regarding MLSA:

1. It will increase military interoperability through defence exercises and allow both militaries the reciprocal use of bases.
2. Earlier India has such agreements with only US.

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

63. With the reference to General Data Protection Regulation, consider the following statements:

1. It focuses on a comprehensive data protection law for processing of personal data.
2. This US law seeks to protect an individual's dignity and her right over the data she generates.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. Lightning is caused by a difference in electrical charge between the top and bottom of a cloud.
2. Cloud to ground (CG) lightning is harmful as the 'high electric voltage and electric current' leads to electrocution.

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

65. Consider the following statements about the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO):

1. SCO is a permanent intergovernmental international organization.
2. The SCO's member states include both India and Pakistan.
3. The SCO's main objectives include promoting cooperation between its member states in the areas of security, economy, and culture.

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

66. Consider the following pairs of joint military exercises with other countries:

Military Exercise	Country
1. Maritime Partnership Exercise	France
2. Vajra Prahar	UK
3. Garuda Shakti	Indonesia

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

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

67. Which of the following statements correctly defines Project Netra?

- (a) An early warning system in space to detect debris and other hazards to Indian satellites.
- (b) An early warning system in border surveillance along LoC and LAC.
- (c) An early warning and weather forecasting system of India build for South Asian Nations.
- (d) None of the Above.

68. Consider the following statements regarding Trade Policy Forum (TPF):

1. It is the policy group between India and US to accelerate their economic ties.
2. The US is India's largest exporter and trade partner, while India is the 9th largest trading partner for the US.

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

69. Consider the following statements regarding Japanese Encephalitis (JE):

1. It is a bacterial infection that can cause inflammation in the brain.
2. It is transmitted to humans through bites from infected mosquitoes.
3. Vaccination against JE is not included under Universal Immunisation Programme.

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

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

70. With reference to the Kalakkad – Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve (KMTR), consider the following statements:

1. It was declared as the first tiger reserve in Kerala.
2. It is the part of the Agasthyamala Biosphere Reserve.

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

71. Regarding the Panchayati Raj Institution, consider the following statements:

1. It was constitutionalised through the 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act, of 1992.
2. It added a new Part-X to the Constitution of India.
3. It also added a new 11th Schedule to the Constitution which contains 29 functional items of the panchayats.

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

72. With reference to 'Transmission sector in India', consider the following statements:

1. Transmission sector in India is regulated by Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.
2. India is the third largest producer and consumer of electricity in the world.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

73. Doha Political Declaration is related to which of following?

- (a) To put Least Developed Countries back on track to achieve SDGs
- (b) To restart diplomatic relations with neighbour Saudi Arabia
- (c) To facilitate the withdrawal of US led NATO forces from Afghanistan
- (d) None of the Above

74. Consider the following statements regarding 'Action Plan for Vulture Conservation':

1. The MoEFCC released the Action Plan for Vulture Conservation with the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI).
2. It prevents the poisoning of the principal food of vultures, the cattle carcasses, with veterinary NSAIDs.

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

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

1. Ocean acidification occurs when the pH of seawater decreases as a result of dissolved carbon dioxide.
2. Ocean acidification makes it difficult for many marine organisms to build and maintain their shells and skeletons.

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

76. With reference to World Air Quality Report, consider the following statements:

1. It has been prepared by United Nations Environment Programme.
2. According to it, New Delhi is the most polluted capital city in the world.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

77. Regarding End-to-End Encryption, consider the following statements:

1. It is a secure communication mechanism that allows data to be encrypted on the sender's device.
2. It can easily be decrypted by the intended recipient.
3. Even the service provider can't access the transmitted data.
4. It is used to ensure privacy and security only in messaging platforms.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

78. Bilateral exercise named Bold Kurukshetra is performed between India and which of the following countries?

- (a) Singapore
- (b) Indonesia
- (c) Maldives
- (d) Thailand

Answers

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