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1. Consider the following statements regarding Press Council of India (PCI):

1. Its foundation day is celebrated as National Press Day.
2. It is an executive body to maintaining and improving the standards of newspapers and the news agencies 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

2. With reference to the Vostro account, consider the following statements:

1. It is an account that a domestic bank holds for a foreign bank in the domestic bank's currency.
2. The Indian government has allowed the opening of special Vostro accounts in two Indian Banks UCO Bank and IndusInd Bank.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. India has promised to cut its emissions to net zero by 2070.
2. India aspires to maximize the use of electric vehicles, ethanol blending to reach 20% by 2025.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

4. Consider the following statements:

1. Bonds are units of corporate debt issued by companies and securitized as tradeable assets.
2. Bond prices are positively correlated with interest rates.
3. National governments generally use the proceeds from bonds to finance infrastructural improvements

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

5. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to LeadIT Initiative?

1. It was launched by India at the UN Climate Action Summit 2019.
2. It leads Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) to work together to cope with climate change.

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

6. Consider the following statements regarding Friendshoring.

1. It is a strategy where a country procures goods and promote trade only if the other country shares common values of the procuring country.
2. It could further enable the globalisation process.

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

7. With the reference to United Nations Population Fund, consider the following statements:

1. It works as a sexual and reproductive health agency.
2. It is not supported by the UN budget.

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

8. Consider the following statements regarding "Artemis I Mission", recently seen in the news:

1. It is an uncrewed mission of ROSCOSMOS Space Agency of Russia.
2. It will test its agency's Space Launch System rocket and Orion crew capsule.
3. It is only a lunar Orbiter mission.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

9. 'Patan Patola,' a double ikat woven fabric scarf usually made from silk, was recently in the news. Which of the following region does this Geographical Indication (GI) tag belong to?

- (a) Gujarat (b) Maharashtra
(c) Madhya Pradesh (d) Andhra Pradesh

10. Regarding G-20 summit, consider the following statements:

1. It was established in 1991 after the Gulf War.
2. It aims to promote a new world order led by western countries.
3. G-20 countries count for 80% of the world's population.
4. Iran, Bangladesh, and Nepal are part of G-20 countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 4 only
(c) 1, 2 and 3 only (d) None of the above

11. Consider the following statements regarding Global Offshore Wind Alliance (GOWA):

1. It was set up by the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) and Global Wind Energy Council.
2. India, UK, and US are among its members.

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. Which of the countries given below share land border with Norway?

1. Sweden
2. Russia
3. Finland
4. Denmark

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

13. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to National Investment and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF)?
1. It is an entity set up by the government to provide long-term financing for infrastructure projects in the country.
 2. The Foreign investors have a 100% stake in the fund.
- 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
14. Consider the following statements regarding Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR):
1. The misuse of antimicrobials in medicine and inappropriate use in agriculture is the major cause of the spread of AMR.
 2. According to the World Health Organisation, AMR is one of the top ten threats to global health.
- 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 statements regarding Red Crowned Roofed Turtle:
1. It is native to India, Bangladesh and Nepal.
 2. It is a saltwater turtle species.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
16. With reference to 'Old Pension Scheme', consider the following statements:
1. Under this scheme, employees get a pension under a pre-determined formula which is equivalent to 50% of the last drawn salary.
 2. All citizens of India (including NRIs) aged between 18 - 70 years were allowed to join the 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
17. Which one of the following is the theme for World Toilet Day 2022?
- (a) Recover Together, Recover Stronger
(b) Making the invisible visible
(c) Clean and safe surroundings
(d) Invisible Women, Invisible Problem
18. Consider the following statements:
1. The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) was established following the provisions of the Aadhaar Act 2016.
 2. The UIDAI functions under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- 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 Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB):
1. It is a statutory organisation established under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.
 2. It was entrusted to promote the cleanliness of streams and wells in different areas of 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
20. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to No Money for Terror Conference?
1. It is an initiative of the French government focused on limiting terrorist funding by cooperating between countries.
 2. India never hosted this conference.
- 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
21. Considering the following statements, regarding Photonic Crystal:
1. These optical nanostructures occur in nature in the form of structural coloration and animal reflectors.
 2. Its refractive index changes periodically.
- 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
22. PARAM Brahma recently in news, is related to which of the following?
- (a) Ballistic Missile (b) Nuclear Submarine
(c) Supercomputer (d) Artificial Satellite
23. Consider the following statements regarding Fisheries Sector:
1. India is the second largest fish producing country in the world.
 2. The United Nations General Assembly declared 5th November as the International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing.
- 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. Who among the following freedom fighters is the author of 'Glimpses of World History'?
- (a) Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose
(b) Jawahar Lal Nehru
(c) Mahatma Gandhi
(d) Dr. B.R Ambedkar

25. Which of the following countries share borders with Baltic Sea:

1. Finland
2. Russia
3. Ukraine
4. Norway

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

26. Consider the following statements regarding 'Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna (Urban):

1. It is implemented by the Ministry of Home Affairs.
2. Only the economically weaker section of society is included in the 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

27. Which of the following freedom fighters is known as "Pride of Sonakhan in Chhattisgarh":

- (a) Birsa Munda
- (b) Shri Alluri Seetha Ram Raju
- (c) Shaheed Veer Narayan Singh
- (d) Rani Gaidinliu

28. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to Digital Shakti?

1. It educates women about the importance of digital literacy and helps them to protect themselves against online inappropriate conduct.
2. It is an initiative of the Ministry of Women & Child Development.

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

29. Consider the following statement regarding Amazon Rainforests.

1. They receive rainfall less than 200 cm rainfall per year.
2. Their temperature lies between 30°C and 40°C.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

30. Consider the following statements regarding "Baliyatra":

1. It is one of India's largest open-air fairs.
2. It is organized annually on the banks of Narmada River.
3. It showcases age-old links between ancient Kalinga and Southeast Asia.

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

31. Consider the following statements regarding 'Kashi Tamil Sangamam':

1. This programme is part of the Swadesh Darshan Scheme.
2. IIT Madras and Banaras Hindu University (BHU) are the two implementing agencies for this programme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

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

1. According to the Doctrine of lapse, the adopted son of the Indian King could not be declared as successor to the throne.
2. Satara is the state that has been annexed by the British using the doctrine of lapse.

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

33. Consider the following statements regarding Geographical Indication (GI) tag:

1. It is an indication used to identify goods having special characteristics
2. It is governed and directed by the laws made up by Indian parliament.
3. The validity period of GI tag is for 5 years only and can't be renewed.
4. It helps in promoting the exports of the product.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

34. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to Chisti Order?

1. They emphasized the doctrine of the unity of being with God.
2. They used to accept maintenance grants from the Sultans.

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

35. With reference to National Clean Energy Fund, consider the following statements:

1. It is funded through a carbon tax on the use of coal by industries.
2. It is governed by an Inter-Ministerial Group with the Home Secretary as the Chairman.

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

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

1. India's ranking in the Network Readiness Index (NRI) 2022 has dropped.
2. "AI talent concentration" is one of the indicators assessed under the Network Readiness Index (NRI) 2022.

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

37. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB)?
1. It is a statutory organisation that functions under the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.
 2. It functions as a repository of information on crime and criminals.
- 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
38. With reference to the Great Knot, consider the following statements:
1. It is a migratory bird with a straight dark-brown bill and yellowish-brown legs.
 2. Its IUCN Status is Endangered.
- 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
39. Consider the following statements regarding Olive Ridley Turtles:
1. These are the smallest and most abundant of all sea turtles globally.
 2. They are known for best their unique mass nesting called Arribada.
 3. They are categorized as Least Concern in IUCN Red List.
- Which of the following 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
40. Consider the following statements regarding Coal in India:
1. Gondwana coal makes up to 98% of the total reserves of Coal in India.
 2. Assam, Meghalaya, Nagaland are major tertiary coal fields.
- 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 regarding 'Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures':
1. This is a quarantine and biosecurity measures which are applied to protect human, animal or plant life from risks arising from additives or toxins.
 2. This measure is governed by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).
- 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. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
1. India's ranking in the Climate Change Performance Index, 2023 has dropped.
 2. This index measures four categories of parameters, one of which is renewable energy.
- 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
43. Regarding the Green Voyage 2050 Project, consider the following statements:
1. It is a partnership project between the Greenland and International Maritime Organisation (IMO) to promote the shipping industry.
 2. It aims to utilize potential shipping lanes and increase connectivity in the arctic region.
- 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. Consider the following statements related to the Battle of Saraighat (1671):
1. It was fought on the banks of the Brahmaputra in Guwahati.
 2. It resulted in the victory of Mughals over Ahoms.
- 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 statements regarding the Election Commission (EC):
1. National voters' day is celebrated to commemorate the establishment of the Election Commission.
 2. The Constitution has debarred the retiring election commissioners from any further appointment by the government.
- 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
46. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
1. Genesis of Inter-State Council lies in recommendations of Sarkaria Commission.
 2. The Inter-State Council was established to serve as a robust institutional framework for promoting cooperative federalism.
- 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
47. Consider the following statements with respect to 'MAARG Portal':
1. It is the National Mentorship Platform by Start-up India to help and guide new start-ups grow and flourish.
 2. This portal is being operationalized by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT).
- 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. Garuda Shakti is a military exercise between India and?
- (a) Indonesia (b) United States
(c) Maldives (d) Sri Lanka

49. Consider the following statements regarding RBI Integrated Ombudsman Scheme:

1. It had been launched to improve the grievance redressal process of banking services.
2. The Scheme defines 'deficiency in service' as the ground for filing a complaint against the bank.
3. The processing centre for this scheme has been set up in Chandigarh.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

50. Which of the following statement correctly explains the ADDM-Plus?

- (a) It is an Airdome System of Israel which it uses for the interception of missiles.
(b) It is the first indigenous manufactured Unmanned Vehicle in India.
(c) It is an annual meeting of Defence Ministers of ASEAN countries and other partner countries.
(d) None of the Above

51. Consider the following statements regarding 'Ambition on Melting Ice (AMI)':

1. It strives to ensure that the public and political leadership are aware of the effects of stratosphere depletion on Ice Melting.
2. India is one of the founding members of this new high-level group.

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

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

1. Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) has been released by the National Statistical Office (NSO).
2. The labor force participation rate is calculated as the labor force divided by the total working-age population.

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

53. Consider the following pairs:

India's Joint Maritime Exercises	Partner Countries
1. Naseem Al Bahr	Oman
2. VARUNA	France
3. Samudra Shakti	Sri Lanka
4. CORPAT	Thailand

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

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

54. Consider the following statements regarding 'Guru Tegh Bahadur':

1. Shaheedi Divas is commemorated in the memory of 9th Guru of Sikhs, Guru Tegh Bahadur.
2. Guru Tegh Bahadur founded Anandpur Sahib.

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

55. Which of the following pair of countries lie around the Persian Gulf?

1. Bahrain, Iran
2. Kuwait, Jordan
3. Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

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

1. Silver revolution in India is associated with the great increase in milk production.
2. National Gopal Ratna Awards 2022 was conferred as part of the National Milk Day, 2022 celebration.

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

57. Consider the following statements regarding the Constitution Assembly:

1. M N Roy proposed the idea of a Constituent Assembly.
2. Elections for the Constituent Assembly were held under the Cabinet mission plan of 1946.

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

58. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to India Plastics Pact?

1. It was launched by the Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) and the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF).
2. It meant to increase in the production of cheap plastic use items.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

59. Which of the following correct statements is/are correct with reference to International Solar Alliance (ISA)?

1. It is an Indian initiative launched by the Prime Minister of India and the United Kingdom.
2. All member states of the United Nations are eligible to join the ISA.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

60. Consider the following statements regarding Arctic Region:
1. The Arctic region has rich deposits of coal, gypsum and diamonds.
 2. It helps circulate the world's ocean currents.
- 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 related to Leather's Soft-shelled Turtle:
1. It is a saltwater turtle species.
 2. It is under Schedule IV of the Wildlife Protection Act.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
62. The famous law on data protection and privacy General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) is related to which country/region?
- (a) US
 - (b) European union
 - (c) Australia
 - (d) India
63. Consider the following statements regarding the Sufism:
1. Suhrawardi Order was founded by Sheikh Shahabuddin Suhrawardi Maqtul.
 2. Nizamuddin Auliya was the follower of the Chisti order.
- 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
64. Which of the following is/are Quasi-Judicial bodies?
1. Finance Commission
 2. National Green Tribunal
 3. National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 1 and 2 only
 - (c) 1 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
65. Consider the following statements regarding 'Nicobar Island':
1. The Ten Degree Channel is a channel that separates the Andaman Islands and Nicobar Islands from each other.
 2. The International Container Trans-shipment Terminal (ICTT) is proposed to be built in Great Nicobar Island.
- 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. Which of the following is/are Biodiversity Heritage Site?
1. Hajong Tortoise Lake
 2. Borjuli Wild Rice Site
 3. Amarkantak
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
67. Regarding the recent trends in Indian demography, consider the following statements:
1. There has been a continuous rise in India's total fertility rate in the last decade.
 2. There has been a decline in the mortality rate.
 3. Life expectancy had fallen to 65 years from 70 years in the last decade.
 4. The National population policy (2000) aims to achieve a stable population by 2045.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 3 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) 2 and 4 only
 - (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
68. Consider the following statements regarding species under Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES):
1. African elephant populations come under CITES Appendix I.
 2. Appendix III of CITES contains species that are protected in at least one country.
- 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 Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojna:
1. It is being administered by the Ministry of Rural Development.
 2. It aims to provide insurance coverage and financial support to the farmers in the event of the failure of any crops.
 3. It is currently the largest crop insurance scheme in the world in terms of farmer enrolments.
- 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
70. Regarding 'Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)', consider the following statements:
1. Recently, the 19th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP19) to the CITES is being held at Panama City.

2. India's Shisham is included in Appendix II of the Convention.
3. The provisions of CITES are legally binding.
- 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 only
71. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
1. The National Population Register is a database that contains information on all Indian citizens.
 2. The National Register of Citizens (NRC) is a database that contains a list of all the country's usual residents.
- 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
72. Regarding the Sangeet Natak Akademi, consider the following statements:
1. It is India's national academy for music only.
 2. It is an autonomous body of the Ministry of Culture.
 3. Sangeet Natak Akademi established and looks after the Jawaharlal Nehru Manipur Dance Academy in Imphal.
- 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 only
73. Vinaya Pitaka, Sutta Pitaka, Abhidhamma Pitaka are related to which of the following?
- (a) Buddhism (b) Jainism
(c) Judaism (d) Vaishnavism
74. Which of the following best describes the term 'Bluebugging'?
- (a) Blooming of blue-green algae in seas
(b) Hacking via Bluetooth connections
(c) Usage of antimicrobial resistant superbugs as biological weapons
(d) None of the above
75. Regarding the Rare Earth Minerals, consider the following statements:
1. They consist of a set of seventeen radioactive elements.
 2. India has about 6% of the world's rare earth reserves.
- 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 regarding Hard Corals:
1. They extract calcium carbonate from seawater.
 2. They are also known as hermatypic corals.
- 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
77. Consider the following statements regarding 'Nai Chetna-Pahal Badlav Ki Campaign':
1. The theme of this campaign is 'Elimination of Gender-Based Violence'.
 2. "Naari Chetna Kendras" established under this program will work with One Stop Centers (OSCs) of the Ministry of Women and Child Development.
- 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
78. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
1. The National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) is a programme being administered by the Ministry of Rural Development.
 2. This program is a significant step to fulfill the Directive Principles of State Policy.
- 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
79. With reference to Himalayan Yak, consider the following statements:
1. They are endemic to the Tibetan Plateau and adjacent high-altitude regions.
 2. Their International Union Conservation for Nature (IUCN) status is endangered.
 3. Recently, their population declined by 25%.
- 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 only
80. Consider the following pairs
- | Country | Mars Mission |
|-----------|----------------------|
| 1. USA | Hope Mars Mission |
| 2. India | Mars Orbiter Mission |
| 3. Europe | ExoMars Rover |
- Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
81. With reference to the 'Carbon capture, utilization and storage (CCUS) Technology, consider the following statements:
1. CCUS involves the development of sorbents that can effectively bind to the CO₂ present in flue gas or in atmosphere.
 2. This can provide a wide variety of opportunities to convert the captured CO₂ to different value-added products.
- 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. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Shakti policy is the policy of the Ministry of Jal Shakti to produce electricity from river water.
2. This scheme is intended to reduce the dependence on imported electricity and promote domestic industry.

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

83. Regarding the Ayushman Bharat, consider the following statements:

1. It offers a sum insured of 5 lakh per family for secondary and tertiary care.
2. The beneficiaries of Ayushman Bharat are identified by the latest Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC) data.
3. Eligible people can walk into only government hospitals.

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 only

84. SOAT Technology recently in the news is related to which of the following sporting events?

- (a) ICC T20 World Cup
- (b) FIFA World Cup
- (c) LaLiga
- (d) Winter Olympics

85. Fujiwhara Effect recently in the news is related to which of the following?

- (a) Tropical Storms
- (b) Earthquake
- (c) Heatwaves
- (d) Draught

Answers

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