

WEEKLY QUIZ

DATE : 1st July- 6th July

- 1) The **WAVEX Startup Challenge 2025**, recently launched by the **Ministry of Information & Broadcasting**, focuses on:
 - a) **Designing advanced blockchain technology** for content authentication
 - b) **Creating AI-powered cybersecurity tools** for media organizations
 - c) **Developing augmented reality solutions** for tourism promotion
 - d) **Developing AI-powered multilingual translation solutions** across Indian languages
- 2) Consider the following statements about the **Cell Broadcast system**:
 1. The Cell Broadcast system sends **alerts much faster** than SMS-based systems.
 2. Cell Broadcast alerts are particularly suitable for **sudden disasters like tsunamis and earthquakes**.Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?
 - a) **Only 1**
 - b) **Only 2**
 - c) **Both 1 and 2**
 - d) **Neither 1 nor 2**
- 3) With reference to **global public debt**, consider the following statements:
 1. In recent years, **developing countries** have experienced **debt growth at a slower rate** compared to developed economies.
 2. **Public debt** serves as a tool for **economic development and crisis management** by providing funds for **public goods and countercyclical spending**.Which of the above statement(s) 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. The **Digital India Mission** has transformed India into a **digitally empowered society** and **knowledge economy**.
 2. **Direct Benefit Transfer**, enabled by **Aadhaar**, has led to the **elimination of fake beneficiaries** and saved **substantial public funds**.Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
 - a) **1 only**
 - b) **2 only**
 - c) **Both 1 and 2**
 - d) **Neither 1 nor 2**
- 5) Consider the following **Geographical Features**:
 1. Location within **Seismic Zone V**
 2. Being part of the **Coral Triangle**
3. Formation by **subduction of the Indian Plate beneath the Eurasian Plate**
Which of the above are associated with characteristics of the **Andaman Sea**?
 - a) **1 and 3 only**
 - b) **3 only**
 - c) **1 only**
 - d) **1, 2 and 3 only**
- 6) With reference to the **Carbon Credit Trading Scheme (CCTS)** in India, consider the following statements:
 1. The **Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC)** serves as the **regulator** for carbon trading.
 2. The **Environment Protection Act, 1986** provides **legal backing** for the scheme.
 3. It promotes **carbon pricing** by imposing a **cost on greenhouse gas emissions**.Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
 - a) **1 and 3 only**
 - b) **2 and 3 only**
 - c) **2 only**
 - d) **1, 2 and 3**
- 7) In the context of **India's progress on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** as reflected in the **National Indicator Framework** report, consider the following areas:
 1. **Renewable energy generation capacity**
 2. **Waste processing**
 3. **Forest cover expansion**
 4. **Reduction in emission intensity of GDP**In which of the above areas has shown improvement?
 - a) **1 and 2 only**
 - b) **1 and 4 only**
 - c) **1, 2, 3 and 4**
 - d) **1 only**
- 8) Recently in news, '**QUAD at Sea Ship Observer Mission**' was launched under the **Wilmington Declaration**. In this context, consider the following statements:
 1. It aims to strengthen **maritime cooperation and security** in the **Indo-Pacific** region.
 2. It supports **India's maritime vision of SAGAR (Security and Growth for All in the Region)**.Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
 - a) **1 only**
 - b) **2 only**
 - c) **Both 1 and 2**
 - d) **Neither 1 nor 2**
- 9) With reference to the **Mahabodhi Temple Complex**, consider the following statements:
 1. The first temple at the site was built by **Emperor Ashoka** in the **3rd century B.C.**

2. The temple's architectural design follows the **Nagara style** with a **curvilinear shikhara**.
Which of the above statement(s) 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 the **Santhal Rebellion**:
1. It was led by brothers including **Sidhu and Kanhu Murmu**.
 2. It was organized in the **Damin-i-Koh region** of the **Rajmahal Hills**.
 3. The rebellion is considered to be one of the **inspirations for the 1857 revolt**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
a) **1 only**
b) **2 and 3 only**
c) **2 only**
d) **1, 2 and 3**
- 11) The **MIKE (Monitoring the Illegal Killing of Elephants) Programme**, a key **conservation initiative**, operates under the framework of which **international convention**?
a) **Ramsar Convention**
b) **Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)**
c) **Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)**
d) **United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)**
- 12) With reference to the **Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)**, consider the following statements:
1. It is a **legally binding agreement** that **automatically replaces national laws** of member countries.
 2. It is **administered by the UN Environment Programme (UNEP)** with its **secretariat in Geneva**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
a) **1 only**
b) **2 only**
c) **Both 1 and 2**
d) **Neither 1 nor 2**
- 13) With reference to the **Employment Linked Incentive (ELI) Scheme** announced in the **Union Budget 2024-25**, consider the following statements:
1. It aims to **promote job creation** across various sectors, with a special focus on **manufacturing**.
 2. It is designed to **expand social security coverage** for employees.
 3. It is implemented by the **Ministry of Labour & Employment**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
a) **1, 2 and 3**
b) **2 only**
c) **1 and 3 only**
d) **3 only**
- 14) **Operation MELON** highlights which of the following **emerging challenges** in **law enforcement**?
a) **Wildlife poaching** in protected reserves
b) **Cross-border arms smuggling** through maritime routes
c) **Cryptocurrency-based transactions** and **anonymity in the drug trade**
d) **Terror financing** through international banking channels
- 15) Consider the following statements about the **Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (Quad)**:
1. It is a **formal military alliance** between the member countries.
 2. It has expressed support for **ASEAN centrality** in the **Indo-Pacific region**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
a) **1 only**
b) **2 only**
c) **Both 1 and 2**
d) **Neither 1 nor 2**
- 16) With reference to the **Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)**, consider the following statements:
1. It is a **Maharatna Public Sector Undertaking** under the **Ministry of New and Renewable Energy**.
 2. It was established primarily for implementing the **National Solar Mission**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
a) **1 only**
b) **2 only**
c) **Both 1 and 2**
d) **Neither 1 nor 2**
- 17) The **Kra Isthmus**, which has the potential to serve as an **alternative maritime route** to the **Malacca Straits**, is located in which of the following countries?
a) **Bangladesh**
b) **India**
c) **Thailand**
d) **Indonesia**
- 18) With reference to the **Khelo Bharat Niti, 2025**:
1. It designates **sports as a Union subject** under the **Seventh Schedule**.
 2. It integrates sports with the **National Education Policy 2020**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
a) **1 only**
b) **2 only**
c) **Both 1 and 2**
d) **Neither 1 nor 2**
- 19) **Terbium** was recently in news. In this context, consider the following statements:
1. It belongs to the **actinide series** of the periodic table.
 2. It is used in applications such as **solid-state devices** and **low-energy lightbulbs**.
 3. It can be recovered from minerals like **monazite** and **bastnaesite**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
a) **2 and 3 only**
b) **1 and 2 only**
c) **3 only**
d) **1 only**
- 20) Consider the following statements about **mud volcanoes**:
1. They produce **lava and ashes** similar to traditional igneous volcanoes.
 2. They release **gases, especially methane**, during eruptions.
 3. They can be formed in **subduction zones** where tectonic plates converge.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
a) **1 only**
b) **2 and 3 only**
c) **3 only**
d) **2 only**
- 21) Which of the following best describes "**Operation Sarvekshan**"?
a) **A wildlife conservation program** monitoring tiger populations in protected areas
b) **A government scheme** to survey forest land for infrastructure development
c) **A national initiative** to assess **learning outcomes** in schools across India
d) **An operation by the Narcotics Control Bureau** targeting illegal pharmaceutical drug trade

- 22) The **Digital Intelligence Platform (DIP)** serves which of the following purposes?
- It **exclusively tracks international financial transactions** for tax compliance
 - It **conducts real-time monitoring** of stock market transactions only
 - It **shares information related to misuse of telecom resources** among stakeholders for **prevention of cyber-crime**
 - It **provides weather forecasting data** to agricultural sectors only
- 23) With reference to **PARAKH (Performance Assessment, Review and Analysis of Knowledge for Holistic Development)**, consider the following statements:
- It is responsible for **setting norms, standards, and guidelines** related to **student assessment**.
 - It functions as an **independent constituent** under the **National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT)**.
 - It operates the **Rashtriya Sarvekshan Dissemination Portal** to provide **open access to student performance data**.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- 1 and 3 only**
 - 1, 2 and 3**
 - 2 only**
 - 2 and 3 only**
- 24) Recently in news, the **Forest Advisory Committee (FAC)** was seen. In this context, consider the following statements:
- It makes **binding decisions** on proposals for **non-forestry use** of forest land.
 - It is a **statutory body** established under the **Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980**.
 - Its jurisdiction includes **examining proposals for mining activities** in forest areas.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- 2 and 3 only**
 - 1 only**
 - 3 only**
 - 1, 2 and 3**
- 25) With reference to the **International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)**, consider the following statements:
- It serves as the **international safeguards inspectorate** for the **Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT)**.
 - It administers **international safeguards** to verify **non-proliferation commitments** of **non-nuclear weapon States**.
 - It facilitates development of **applications of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes** in **non-nuclear weapon states**.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- 1 only**
 - 1, 2 and 3**
 - 1 and 3 only**
 - 2 only**
- 26) With reference to **C-FLOOD**, consider the following statements:
- It is executed under the **National Hydrology Project**.
 - It provides **flood inundation forecasts up to the village level**.
 - It is **jointly developed** by the **Central Water Commission** and **Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC)**.
 - It uses **2-D hydrodynamic modelling** to simulate **flood scenarios**.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- 1, 2 and 4 only**
 - 2 and 3 only**
 - 2, 3 and 4 only**
 - 1 and 4 only**
- 27) With reference to the **Financial Fraud Risk Indicator (FRI)** recently in news, consider the following statements:
- It was launched by the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)**.
 - It enables **real-time responsiveness** through **API-based integration** with bank systems.
 - It classifies **mobile numbers** based on their association with **financial fraud risk**.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- 1 and 3 only**
 - 2 only**
 - 2 and 3 only**
 - 1 only**
- 28) With reference to the **Green Climate Fund (GCF)**, consider the following statements:
- It is mandated to support **developing countries** in realizing their **Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)** ambitions.
 - It was established at the **UNFCCC Conference of Parties** held in **Cancun**.
 - It serves the **Paris Agreement** in accordance with **Article 9**.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- 1, 2 and 3**
 - 1 only**
 - 1 and 3 only**
 - 2 only**
- 29) In the context of **green finance**, consider the following statements about **transition bonds**:
- They are designed to help **hard-to-abate sectors** raise capital for **progressive decarbonization**.
 - They fall under the category of '**green debt security**' as per **SEBI regulations**.
 - They enforce **transparency and third-party validation** to mitigate **greenwashing**.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- 1, 2 and 3**
 - 1 and 2 only**
 - 2 only**
 - 2 and 3 only**
- 30) With reference to the **nutritional intake in India** as per the recent **National Statistics Office (NSO) report**, consider the following statements:
- Cereals** continue to be the **most important source of protein** in the Indian diet.
 - The average **per capita per day calorie intake** is **higher in urban areas** than in rural areas.
- Which of the above is/are correct?
- 1 and 2 only**
 - 1 only**
 - 2 only**
 - None**
- 31) Recently in news, "**surveillance pricing**" refers to:
- A **government policy** to regulate **price monitoring** in critical sectors
 - The practice of using **hidden cameras** to monitor **shoplifting** in retail stores
 - A **pricing strategy** where prices are adjusted based on the **density of security cameras** in a store
 - The practice where **buyers are charged different prices** based on **real-time surveillance of consumer behaviour**
- 32) Which of the following **Indian handicrafts** has **NOT** been granted a **Geographical Indication (GI) tag**?
- Kashmiri Pashmina shawl**
 - Bidriware from Karnataka**
 - Silver filigree work from Odisha**
 - Miniature Ambawari Elephant from West Bengal**

- 33) Which of the following statements best describes the objective of the **Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006**?
- To enable **privatization of forest lands** for tribal development
 - To **commercialize forest produce** through market-based forest governance
 - To **recognize and vest forest rights** and **correct historical injustices** to forest-dwelling communities
 - To bring all forest areas under **joint forest management** with NGOs
- 34) With reference to the **Defence Acquisition Council (DAC)**, consider the following statements:
- It grants '**in principle**' approval to capital acquisitions in the **Long Term Perspective Plan**.
 - It **monitors the progress** of major defence projects.
 - It is chaired by the **Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
- 1 and 2 only**
 - 1 only**
 - 1, 2 and 3**
 - 1 and 3 only**
- 35) Consider the following **rights**:
- Rights of self-cultivation**
 - Right to intellectual property and traditional knowledge**
 - Right to protect traditional customary rights**
 - Access to water bodies in forests**
- Which of the above rights are covered under the **Forest Rights Act, 2006**?
- 1, 2, 3 and 4**
 - 1 only**
 - 3 only**
 - 2 and 3 only**
- 36) **Kariyachalli Island**, recently seen in the news due to its **ecological vulnerability** and ongoing **restoration efforts**, is located in:
- Lakshadweep Archipelago**
 - Andaman and Nicobar Islands**
 - Sundarbans Biosphere Reserve**
 - Gulf of Mannar Marine National Park**
- 37) Under the **Forest Rights Act (FRA)**, the governance of **Community Forest Resource Rights (CFRR)** is primarily vested in:
- State Forest Departments**
 - Ministry of Tribal Affairs**
 - District Collector**
 - Gram Sabha**
- 38) With reference to the **Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC)**, consider the following statements:
- India is a signatory** to the Convention.
 - It is the world's first **multilateral disarmament agreement** to provide for the **elimination of an entire category of weapons of mass destruction**.
 - The **Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW)** is responsible for **implementing the convention**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
- 2 only**
 - 2 and 3 only**
 - 3 only**
 - 1, 2 and 3**
- 39) With reference to the **Indian Chemical Council (ICC)**, consider the following statements:
- It is a **government body** under the **Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers**.
 - It is India's **oldest chemical industry association**.
 - In 2024, it became the **first chemical industry body globally** to receive the **OPCW-The Hague Award**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
- 3 only**
 - 1, 2 and 3**
 - 1 and 3 only**
 - 2 and 3 only**
- 40) With reference to the **Kashmiri Pashmina shawl**, consider the following statements:
- It is woven from the **fine undercoat** of the **Changthangi goat**.
 - It has been granted a **Geographical Indication (GI) tag**.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
- 1 only**
 - 2 only**
 - Both 1 and 2**
 - Neither 1 nor 2**
- 41) **Alluri Sitaram Raju** is primarily known for leading which of the following **movements against British colonial rule**?
- Rampa Rebellion**
 - Champaran Satyagraha**
 - Bardoli Satyagraha**
 - Kheda Satyagraha**
- 42) Which of the following best describes the **Variable Rate Reverse Repo (VRRR)**?
- A method used by **RBI to inject liquidity** into the banking system with a **variable interest rate**
 - A method used by **RBI to absorb excess money** from banks for a short period with **interest rates determined by the market**
 - A **long-term debt instrument** issued by the government with **variable interest rates**
 - A **fixed-rate instrument** used by banks to **borrow from the RBI** for short-term liquidity needs
- 43) With reference to the **Girmitiya community**, consider the following statements:
- OCI card holders** can own all types of property in India, including **agricultural lands**.
 - They were **Indian indentured laborers** who migrated to **British colonies** primarily to work on **plantations**.
 - Overseas Citizens of India (OCI)** card holders enjoy **visa-free travel to India**.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 2 only**
 - 1, 2 and 3**
 - 2 and 3 only**
 - 1 and 3 only**
- 44) With reference to **India-Africa relations**, consider the following statements:
- India advocated for the inclusion of the **African Union as a permanent member of the G20** during its presidency.
 - India supports Africa's development framework outlined in **Agenda 2063**.
 - The **Asia-Africa Growth Corridor** is a joint partnership between **India and China** for sustainable development in Africa.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only**
 - 2 only**
 - 1 and 2 only**
 - 3 only**
- 45) With reference to the **RECLAIM framework** recently launched by the **Coal Ministry**, consider the following statements:
- It was developed in partnership with the **Heartfulness Institute**.
 - It focuses **exclusively on environmental restoration** without addressing **community engagement**.
 - It serves as a **structured guide for inclusive community engagement** throughout **mine closure phases**.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

46) In the context of **India–Africa relations**, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. India's joint partnership with **Japan** focuses on **sustainable development in Africa**.
2. India supports **greater African representation in the UN Security Council** in line with the **Ezulwini Consensus**.
3. India's engagement with Africa is guided by **Vision MAHASAGAR**, which replaced **Vision SAGAR**.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

47) In the context of the **UMEED Portal**, recently launched by the **Ministry of Minority Affairs**, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It provides a platform for **online grievance redressal** related to **Waqf properties**.
2. It aims to create a **digital inventory** with **geo-tagging** of all Waqf properties.
3. It allows **public access to verified records and reports** of Waqf properties.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

48) **Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB)** was recently in news. In this context, consider the following statements:

1. It regulates the **production of crude oil and natural gas**.
2. **Appeals** against the decisions of PNGRB go before the **Appellate Tribunals for Electricity**.
3. It is a **statutory body** formed under the **Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board Act, 2006**.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

49) Consider the following statements:

1. The **Sevilla Commitment** is the first **international financing framework** since the **Addis Ababa Action Agenda**.
2. The Sevilla Commitment addresses the **financing gap for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** in **developing countries**.

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

50) Consider the following statements about the **Chenab River**:

1. It originates from **Bara Lacha Pass** in the form of two streams named **Chandra and Bhaga**.
2. During the **Vedic period**, it was known as **Chandrabhaga**.
3. The **Chenab valley** is a **structural trough** formed by the **Great Himalayan and Pir Panjal ranges**.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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