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- 1. Consider the following statements about heat waves:
 - 1. The Ministry of Home Affairs has prepared a Climate Hazards and Vulnerability Atlas of India for hazardous meteorological events including Heat Waves.
 - 2. The National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) has started Heat Action Plans (HAPs) to forewarn about the heat waves.
 - 3. Like the Air Quality Index, the impact of heat waves expected over a region is mentioned in six color codes.

- A. 2 only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 2. Regarding the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Act allows for declaring any association "unlawful" if they engage in activities or expressions supporting the secession of Indian territory.
 - 2. Bail cannot be granted if the court reasonably believes the charges are "prima facie" true.
 - 3. It is applicable to the offenders only if the crime is committed within India.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 3. Which of the following best describes a Managed Care Organization (MCO)?
 - A. An organization that provides free healthcare services to uninsured individuals.
 - B. A non-profit organization that conducts medical research and development.
 - C. A government agency responsible for regulating pharmaceutical companies.
 - D. A type of healthcare focused on helping to reduce costs, while keeping quality of care high.
- 4. Which of the following statements is NOT correct about Ahilyabai Holkar?
 - A. She was the Holkar Queen of the Malwa kingdom.
 - B. She established a textile industry in Maheshwar (Madhya Pradesh) which today is famous for its Maheshwari sarees.
 - C. JL Nehru gave her the title of "The Philosopher Queen".
 - D. She renovated and repaired the famous Kashi Vishwanath temple of Varanasi.
- 5. What is the primary purpose of the Marginal Standing Facility (MSF) introduced by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)?
 - A. To provide long-term loans to commercial banks at a lower interest rate.
 - B. To allow banks to borrow overnight funds from the RBI in case of severe liquidity shortages.

- C. To offer a platform for trading government securities.
- D. To regulate the foreign exchange market by controlling currency exchange rates.
- 6. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Carbon neutrality is the balance between emitting carbon and absorbing carbon from carbon sinks.
 - 2. Carbon Negative occurs when a company removes more CO2 from the atmosphere than it even emits.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 7. Which of the following best characterizes the fourth industrial revolution?
 - A. The fusion of technologies blurring the lines between physical, digital and biological spheres.
 - B. The mass production of goods through assembly lines.
 - C. The introduction of computers and the global supply chain.
 - D. The widespread use of steam power and mechanized manufacturing.
- 8. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. The Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Protocol categorizes GHG emissions into three "scopes".
 - 2. Scope 3 emissions include emissions for which a company is indirectly responsible due to its upstream and downstream activities.
 - 3. Scope 3 emissions are the hardest to reduce.

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
- 9. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Urban Heat islands (UHI) are formed when vegetation is replaced by asphalt and concrete for roads, buildings, and other structures.

Statement-II: Asphalt and concrete surfaces absorb the sun's heat, causing surface temperatures and overall ambient temperatures to rise.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

- 10. Consider the following statements about 'Agnibaan':
 - It is the world's first rocket with a single piece 3D printed engine launched by Space start-up Agnikul Cosmos
 - 2. It was launched from India's first private launch pad called 'Dhanush' established by Agnikul.
 - 3. Agnibaan is also India's first semi-cryogenic engine-powered rocket.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 11. What does the value-added method of measuring national income focus on?
 - A. The total consumption of goods and services.
 - B. Additional value to the raw material at each stage of production.
 - C. The sum of all income earned by individuals.
 - D. The total expenditure on goods and services.
- 12. A higher incremental capital output ratio (ICOR) indicates which of the following?
 - A. Higher efficiency in capital utilization
 - B. Reduced need for capital investment
 - C. Increased overall output
 - D. Lower efficiency in capital utilization
- 13. Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) refers to an investment through equity instruments by a resident outside India in:
 - 1. An unlisted Indian company
 - 2. 10% or more of the post issue paid-up equity capital in a listed Indian company.

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
- 14. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Tax elasticity refers to the responsiveness of tax revenue growth to changes in GDP.
 - 2. Tax buoyancy refers to changes in tax revenue in response to changes in tax rate.

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. The term "kharvas, sarangs and malams" is often seen in the news in the context of
 - A. Military technique
 - B. Maritime trade
 - C. Archaeological sites
 - D. Asteroids

- 16. Regarding National Statistical Office (NSO), consider the following statements:
 - National Sample Survey Office NSSO merged with the Central Statistical Office (CSO) to form the National Statistical Office (NSO).
 - NSO is an office under the Ministry of Labour & Employment.
 - 3. NSO compiles and releases the Index of Industrial Production (IIP).

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. Regarding the formation of state, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Article 3 of the Indian Constitution deals with the formation of a new State.
 - A Bill for the purpose of creating a new State in India can be passed by a simple majority in the Parliament only.
 - 3. Prior sanction of the President is required before a bill for formation of a new State is introduced in the Parliament.

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
- 18. Which of the following are included in the domestic territory of India?
 - 1. Territory lying within the geographical boundaries including airspace and territorial waters of a country.
 - 2. Ships and aircrafts operated by residents of India across different parts of the world.
 - 3. Oil and Natural Gas and floating platforms from a resident country operating in foreign waters.
 - 4. Diplomatic missions like embassies and consulates and military establishments of a country located abroad.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 4 only
- B. 2, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 19. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Arrival of Mahatma Gandhi in South Africa
 - 2. Formation of the Natal Indian Congress
 - 3. Anglo-Boer War.

What is the correct chronological sequence of the above events?

- A. 1 2 3
- B. 2-1-3
- C. 3-2-1
- D. 3-1-2

- 20. Which of the following protected areas are located in Arunachal Pradesh?
 - 1. Kamlang Tiger Reserve
 - 2. Mouling National Park
 - 3. Pakke (Pakhui) Tiger Reserve
 - 4. Ntangki National Park

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1, 3 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 21. With reference to the Vivekananda Rock Memorial, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a tiny rocky islet located at Kanyakumari's Vayathurai beach.
 - After wandering for years across India, Swami Vivekananda finally formulated his philosophy at Kanyakumari.
 - 3. It was formally inaugurated by Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru.

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
- 22. Clean Energy Transitions Programme (CETP) is an initiative of which of the following?
 - A. International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)
 - B. International Solar Alliance (ISA)
 - C. European Union (EU)
 - D. International Energy Agency (IEA)
- 23. What is a base year in the context of economics?
 - A. The year with the lowest inflation rate
 - B. A benchmark year used for comparison in economic indices
 - C. The year with the highest GDP growth rate
 - D. The year in which CPI and WPI is same
- 24. Consider the following statements about the Conference on Disarmament:
 - 1. It is formally independent from the United Nations.
 - 2. Its secretary is appointed by the UN Secretary-General.

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
- 25. Which of the following protected areas are located in Sikkim?
 - 1. Barsey Rhododendron Sanctuary
 - 2. Pangolakha Wildlife Sanctuary
 - 3. Maenam Wildlife Sanctuary
 - 4. Nongkhyllem Wildlife Sanctuary

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1, 3 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 26. Consider the following statements about the Right to Property:
 - 1. The Right to Property was initially recognized as a fundamental right under Article 19 and Article 31 of the Constitution of India.
 - 2. The 42nd Constitution Amendment Act, 1976 made the right to property a constitutional right rather than a fundamental right.

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. Regarding the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals & Healthcare Providers (NABH), consider the following statements:
 - 1. NABH functions under the Quality Council of India.
 - 2. NABH has issued a portal called Healthcare Organizations' Platform for Entry-Level-Certification (HOPE).

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
- 28. Which ministry in India oversees the implementation of the POSHAN Tracker?
 - A. Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare
 - B. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
 - C. Ministry of Rural Development
 - D. Ministry of Women and Child Development
- 29. Consider the following statements regarding the ECO Niwas Samhita:
 - It is a Residential Energy Conservation Building Code (ECBC) developed by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE).
 - 2. It sets standards to limit heat gain and loss and ensure adequate natural ventilation and daylighting potential.
 - 3. The Eco-Niwas Samhita (ENS) introduced the Residential Envelope Transmittance Value (RETV).

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

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- 1. Amber
- a. Market-distorting and production-limiting
- 2. Blue
- b. Trade distorting
- 3. Green
- c. Non trade distorting

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

- A. 3 only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 31. In a liquidity trap, which of the following economic tools becomes ineffective?
 - A. Fiscal policy
 - B. Monetary policy
 - C. Trade policy
 - D. Taxation policy
- 32. With reference to Indian Accounting Standards (Ind As), consider the following statements:
 - 1. In India, Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) formulate & issue accounting standards.
 - 2. Ind AS are notified under the Companies Act 2013.
 - 3. Ind AS are governed as per the provisions of Indian Copyright Act, 1957.

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
- 33. Which of the following are the features of Indian democracy?
 - 1. Popular Sovereignty
 - 2. Universal Adult Suffrage
 - 3. Two Party System
 - 4. Committed Judiciary

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1, 3 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 34. Consider the following statements about Prime Minister of India:
 - 1. He is appointed by the President of India.
 - 2. Under Article 75 of the Indian Constitution, the Council of Ministers shall be appointed by the Prime Minister.
 - 3. He holds the position of Prime Minister at the pleasure of the President.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

- 35. Regarding the exit polls, consider the following statements:
 - 1. An exit poll is a survey conducted immediately after voters cast their ballots.
 - 2. It is conducted by the Election Commission of India.
 - 3. It is prohibited to publish exit poll results during the voting process.

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
- 36. Which of the following statements best describes disguised unemployment?
 - A. A situation where workers are engaged in jobs that do not utilize their skills and qualifications.
 - B. A situation where the marginal productivity of labor is zero.
 - C. A condition where workers are unemployed due to economic downturns and recessions.
 - D. A scenario where workers are employed in seasonal jobs and are unemployed during off-seasons.
- 37. Which of the following is NOT a feature of the coalition government?
 - A. Accommodation of a variety of interests
 - B. Strengthening federalism
 - C. Better representation
 - D. Despotic control
- 38. Which of the following statements accurately describes the relationship between bond yields and bond prices?
 - A. Bond yields and bond prices move independently of each other.
 - When bond yields increase, bond prices increase as well.
 - C. Bond yields and bond prices have an inverse relationship.
 - D. Bond yields are always higher for bonds with longer maturities, regardless of bond prices.
- 39. Regarding the Election Commission of India (ECI), consider the following statements:
 - ECI has the power of superintendence, direction and control of elections to Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha only.
 - 2. ECI is not concerned with conducting elections to Panchayats and Municipalities in the States.
 - 3. The Chief Election Commissioner can be removed in the same manner and on the same grounds as a judge of the Supreme Court.

Select the correct statements using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

- 40. The Mandal Commission, established in India in 1979, primarily aimed to:
 - A. Assess the economic policies of the Indian government.
 - B. Develop a framework for environmental protection and sustainable development.
 - C. Study the impact of globalization on Indian agriculture.
 - D. Examine the condition of socially and educationally backward classes and recommend measures for their advancement.
- 41. Which of the following are the federal features of the Indian constitution?
 - 1. Division of power
 - 2. Supremacy of Constitution
 - 3. Bicameral legislature
 - 4. Appointment of Governor

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1, 3 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 42. What is "MQ-1B Predator", sometimes seen in the news?
 - A. An Israeli anti-missile system
 - B. India's indigenous anti-drone programme
 - C. An American Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV),
 - D. Nuclear submarine developed by South Korea
- 43. Consider the following statements about African continent:
 - 1. It is the second-largest continent in the world both in size and population.
 - 2. Both the prime meridian and the equator cut across it
 - 3. The shoreline of Lake Victoria is shared by Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania and Rwanda.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 44. Regarding the Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs), consider the following statements:
 - 1. An Electronic Voting Machine consists of a Control Unit and a Balloting Unit.
 - 2. In areas with no electricity connections, EVMs cannot be used.
 - 3. Electronics Corporation of India Ltd (ECIL), Hyderabad developed a prototype of EVM for the first time.

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

- 45. Regarding the Yoga School of Indian Philosophy, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It was founded by the Sage Patanjali and is one of the heterodox schools in Indian philosophy.
 - In Yoga philosophy, the values to be observed are called Niyamas while those to be avoided are called Yamas.
 - 3. References to Yoga philosophy are made in Brihadaranyaka Upanishad only.

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
- 46. The "Available Realized Equity (ARE)", recently in the news, is related to the affairs of
 - A. Reserve Bank of India
 - B. Securities and Exchange Board of India
 - C. Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
 - D. Exim Bank of India
- 47. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It was launched by IRDAI for providing financial support to farmers suffering crop loss/damage arising out of unforeseen events.
 - 2. There is a uniform premium of only 2% to be paid by farmers for all Kharif crops and 1.5% for all Rabi crops.
 - 3. Loss and damage due to identified localized risks like hailstorm, landslide and Inundation affecting isolated farms are also covered.

- A. 2 and 3 only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 48. What does the term "Tick Size" refer to in the context of financial markets?
 - A. The smallest amount of a security that can be traded on an exchange.
 - B. The maximum allowable price movement of a trading instrument.
 - C. The average price movement of a trading instrument over a trading day.
 - D. The minimum allowable price movement of a trading instrument.

- 49. Built-in inflation refers to the type of inflation that arises from which of the following factors?
 - A. Demand-pull effects due to increased consumer spending.
 - B. Supply shocks that increase the cost of raw materials.
 - C. The adaptive expectations of workers and firms leading to a wage-price spiral.
 - D. Monetary policy actions taken by central banks.
- 50. Consider the following statements about Sutlej-Yamuna link dispute:

Statement-I: When Haryana was carved out of Punjab post-independence, the terms on sharing waters of Ravi and Beas were left undecided.

Statement-II: Citing principle of Riparian Water Rights, Punjab opposed the sharing of water of Ravi and Beas with Haryana.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 51. Consider the following statements about the Special Marriage Act, 1954:
 - 1. It governs a civil marriage where the state sanctions the marriage rather than the religion.
 - 2. It enables marriage between interfaith couples without them giving up their religious identity or resorting to conversion.
 - 3. The applicability of the Act extends to the people of Hindus, Sikhs, Jains and Buddhists only.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 52. With reference to the Indian Public Health Standards (IPHS), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It envisages to improve the quality of health care delivery in the country under the National Rural Health Mission.
 - 2. IPHS is applicable to both Primary Health Centres (PHCs) and Community Health Centres (CHCs).
 - 3. It is used as the reference point for public health care infrastructure planning and up-gradation in the States and UTs.

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

- 53. The term "Dall-E, Midjourney and Sora" are sometimes seen in the news in the context of
 - A. Al based image generators
 - B. Saturn's moon
 - C. Newly discovered asteroids
 - D. 3D Modeling Software
- 54. Consider the following statements regarding the Amaravati School of Art:
 - 1. The "narrative art" is a prominent feature of the Amaravati school.
 - 2. The material used in Amaravati art is grey sandstone.
 - 3. Prominent places where this style developed are Nagarjunikonda, Goli, Ghantasala and Vengi.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 2 and 3 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 55. The Global Future Council on the Future of Trade and Investment is associated with which of the following?
 - A. World Trade Organization (WTO)
 - B. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
 - C. International Labour Organization (ILO)
 - D. World Economic Forum (WEF)
- 56. Consider the following countries:
 - 1. Japan
 - 2. Indonesia
 - 3. South Korea
 - 4. Philippines
 - 5. Vietnam

How many of the above-mentioned countries have policies of paid menstrual leave at workplaces?

- A. Only two
- B. Only three
- C. Only four
- D. All five
- 57. Consider the following:
 - 1. Corporation tax
 - 2. Personal income tax
 - 3. Central GST
 - 4. Centre's share of the Integrated Goods and Services Tax (IGST)

Which of the above taxes constitute part of the divisible pool between the Centre and the States under Article 270 of the Indian Constitution?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1, 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

- 58. Consider the following statements regarding Yucatan Peninsula:
 - 1. It is a peninsula in Central America, separating the Gulf of Mexico and Gulf of California.
 - 2. It consists of parts of Mexico only.
 - 3. The Maya civilization flourished in the Yucatán Peninsula.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 59. The term "Waste Wise Cities Tool (WaCT)" is sometimes seen in the news in the context of
 - A. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
 - B. United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)
 - C. World Health Organization (WHO)
 - D. UN Tourism
- 60. Regarding the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC), consider the following statements:
 - RBI Act, 1934, amended in 2016, provides for a sixmember MPC to be constituted by the Reserve Bank of India.
 - 2. The MPC determines the policy repo rate required to achieve the inflation target.
 - 3. Only the chairperson of MPC writes a statement specifying the reasons for voting in favor of, or against the proposed resolution.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 61. Regarding the Women's Reservation Act, 2023, consider the following statements:
 - It aims to reserve 50% seats for women in Lok Sabha, state legislative assemblies and Delhi Legislative Assembly.
 - 2. The reservation for women will be rotated after every delimitation exercise.
 - 3. The reservation will be for a period of 15 years from the date of commencement of the Act.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 62. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme is expected to have a cascading effect on the country's MSME ecosystem.

Statement-II: The anchor units that will be built in every sector are likely to set a new supplier/vendor base in the entire value chain.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 63. Which of the following are the initiatives of the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)?
 - 1. Energy Conservation Building Code (ECBC)
 - 2. Standards and Labeling (S&L)
 - 3. Perform, Achieve and Trade (PAT)

Which of the options given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 64. With reference to the colonial history of India, Aguad Port & Jail Complex is associated with
 - A. English
 - B. French
 - C. Portuguese
 - D. Dutch
- 65. Which of the following statements best describes the Liquidity Adjustment Facility (LAF) Corridor?
 - A. It is a framework used by commercial banks to determine their interest rates for loans and deposits.
 - B. It refers to the range between the repo rate and the reverse repo rate set by a central bank to manage short-term liquidity in the banking system.
 - C. It is a corridor used by financial institutions to transfer large sums of money internationally.
 - D. It is a set of regulations that commercial banks must follow to maintain their liquidity ratios above a certain threshold.
- 66. The term "Casualty Investigation Code" is sometimes seen in the news in the context of
 - A. A guideline by the International Court of Justice to investigate Israeli action in Gaza.
 - B. Plan of action outlined by NATO countries to combat Russia in Ukraine.
 - C. Safety investigation into a marine incident
 - D. Extinction of living organisms on the Earth due to climate change

- 67. Consider the following statements about WTO's dispute settlement mechanism:
 - The Ministerial Conference convenes as the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) to deal with disputes between WTO members.
 - WTO's dispute settlement mechanism is a two-tiered process comprising a panel and an Appellate Body (AB).

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 68. Which of the following countries are common to both SAARC and BIMSTEC?
 - 1. Sri Lanka
 - 2. Bhutan
 - 3. Bangladesh
 - 4. Myanmar

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 69. Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana Urban (PMAY-U) Scheme is being implemented through which of the following verticals?
 - 1. Beneficiary Led Construction/ Enhancement (BLC)
 - 2. Affordable Housing in Partnership (AHP)
 - 3. In-situ Slum Redevelopment (ISSR)
 - 4. Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 70. Which of the following is not a feature of constitutionalism?
 - A. Written Constitution
 - B. State control of all resources
 - C. Rule of Law
 - D. Judicial Review
- 71. Which of the following statements best describes repressed inflation?
 - A. It is a situation where the inflation rate is negative, leading to a decrease in the general price level of goods and services.
 - B. It occurs when inflation is not openly acknowledged and addressed through monetary policy measures only.

- C. It refers to a condition where inflation is hidden due to government controls on prices and wages, preventing them from rising naturally.
- D. It is a type of inflation that happens when the demand for goods and services decreases significantly.
- 72. Consider the following statements regarding the Reserve Bank of India (RBI):
 - 1. It formulates, implements and monitors the monetary policy.
 - 2. It introduces and upgrades safe and efficient modes of payment systems in the country to meet the requirements of the public at large.
 - 3. It performs merchant banking functions for the central and the state governments.

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
- 73. Consider the following statements regarding Initiative on Critical and Emerging Technologies (iCET):
 - It is a framework agreed upon by India and the EU for cooperation in areas including artificial intelligence and quantum computing.
 - 2. It seeks to build supply chains and support the coproduction and co-development of items.
 - 3. It aims to develop a new defense industrial cooperation roadmap to accelerate technological cooperation.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 74. Which of the following are the members of the Commission of Small Island States on Climate Change and International Law (COSIS)?
 - 1. Antigua & Barbuda
 - 2. Tuvalu
 - 3. Vanuatu
 - 4. Bahamas

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
- 75. The term "Short Take-Off but Arrested Recovery (STOBAR)" method is sometimes seen in the news in the context of
 - A. Aircraft carrier
 - B. Reusable Launch Vehicles (RLVs)
 - C. Multiple Independently-targetable Reentry Vehicles (MIRVs)
 - D. Satellite re-entry into Earth's atmosphere

- 76. With reference to Sarkaria Commission recommendations, which one of the following statements is NOT correct?
 - A. A Governor must be appointed after consultation with the Chief Minister of the concerned state.
 - B. The Governor should not risk determining the issue of majority support, on his own, outside the Assembly.
 - C. It accepted the demand of turning India into a completely federal State with a weak center.
 - D. The President should delegate some of the Union executive function in concurrence with the states.
- 77. Consider the following statements about Council of Ministers (CoM):
 - 1. Ministers of State can either be given independent charge of ministries/ departments or can be attached to cabinet ministers.
 - 2. Deputy Ministers are not given independent charge of the ministries/departments.

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 78. What does the term "Day Zero" refer to in the context of water crises?
 - A. The day when a region achieves complete water self-sufficiency
 - B. The day when water reservoirs are full and water restrictions are lifted
 - C. The day when all houses in a region gets tap water connection
 - D. The day when municipal water supplies are expected to run out
- 79. Consider the following:
 - 1. Agricultural products
 - 2. Banking
 - 3. Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs)
 - 4. Investment

Which of the above can be covered under Free Trade Agreements (FTAs)?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1, 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 80. What is the primary purpose of the Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR)?
 - A. To enhance a bank's profitability
 - B. To ensure a bank has an adequate level of highquality liquid assets to withstand a 30-day stressed funding scenario
 - C. To increase a bank's investment portfolio
 - D. To reduce a bank's capital requirements

- 81. Consider the following statements regarding the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961:
 - 1. The President is responsible for the administration and coordination of the rules under the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules, 1961
 - 2. Its primary purpose is to outline the duties and responsibilities of each ministry and department.
 - 3. It was issued under Article 74 of the Indian Constitution.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 82. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. NGO Pratham releases All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE).
 - 2. AISHE covers all higher educational institutions located in Indian Territory and imparting higher education in the country.
 - 3. For the first time, in AISHE 2018-19, Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) have filled data using an entirely online data collection platform.

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
- 83. With reference to Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a statutory body under the Ministry of Communications.
 - 2. Films can be publicly exhibited in India only after they have been certified by CBFC.
 - 3. It consists of non-official members and a Chairman and functions with headquarters at New Delhi.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 84. Regarding the Line of Control (LoC), consider the following statements:
 - It is a geographical line lying between India and Pakistan's controlled parts of Jammu and Kashmir.
 - 2. It is a legally recognized international boundary between India and Pakistan.
 - 3. After the Simla Agreement of 1972, this line was officially renamed as "Line of Control" from "the Cease-fire Line".

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

- 85. The Resistance Front (TRF), sometimes seen in the news, is
 - A. Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) body
 - B. An environmental advocacy group
 - C. New military wing raised by Ukraine
 - D. A militant group in India
- 86. An increase in Total Factor Productivity (TFP) indicates which of the following?
 - A. An increase in the amount of inputs used
 - B. An increase in output without a corresponding increase in inputs
 - C. A decrease in production efficiency
 - D. A decrease in output despite increased inputs
- 87. Which of the following nations are NOT members of Group of Seven (G7) countries?
 - 1. India
- 2. United States
- 3. Japan
- 4. Mexico

Select the correct answer from the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 4 only
- D. 3 and 4 only
- 88. Consider the following statements regarding Very Short-Range Air Defence System (VSHORADS) missile system:
 - 1. It is a Man Portable Air Defence System (MANPAD).
 - 2. It incorporates many novel technologies like miniaturized Reaction Control System (RCS).
 - 3. It is a surface-to-air missile propelled by a dual thrust solid motor.

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
- 89. Consider the following statements about Dr. KB Hedgewar:
 - 1. He founded Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) at Nashik in 1925.
 - 2. He was a former member of Anushilan Samiti.
 - 3. He was deeply influenced by VD Savarkar's book titled Hindutva.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 90. The Indian state of Manipur does not share border with
 - A. Nagaland
- B. Mizoram
- C. Assam
- D. Tripura

- 91. Regarding the European Parliament, consider the following statements:
 - It is an indirectly-elected European Union (EU) body with legislative, supervisory, and budgetary responsibilities.
 - 2. Members of the European Parliament (MEPs) are grouped by nationality in the European Parliament.
 - 3. The number of MEPs for each country is roughly proportional to its population.

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
- 92. With reference to Metabolic Dysfunction-Associated Steatohepatitis (MASH), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is inflammation of the liver caused by excess fat cells in it.
 - 2. It is predominantly associated with excessive alcohol intake.

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
- 93. Consider the following pairs:

Articles

Subject Matter

- 1. Article 352
- a. Effect of Proclamation of Emergency
- 2. Article 358
- b. Suspension of provisions of Article 19 during Emergencies
- 3. Article 360
- c. Provisions as to Financial Emergency

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

- A. 1 only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 94. Which of the following statements is not correct about the Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims (LLMC)?
 - A. The LLMC Convention establishes a framework that allows shipowners to limit their liability for maritime claims based on the tonnage of the ship.
 - B. It replaced the international convention relating to the Limitation of the Liability of Owners of Seagoing Ships, 1957.
 - C. Under LLMC, liability for claims covered is raised considerably.
 - D. Shipowners and salvors may limit their liability in all the circumstances.

- 95. Which of the following best describes a round tripping transaction?
 - A. An illegitimate exchange of goods between two companies in different countries to avoid tariffs.
 - B. Funds are moved from one company to another and then back to the original company to inflate revenues or manipulate financial statements.
 - C. Process where a company outsources its manufacturing operations to reduce costs.
 - D. Investment strategy involving the rapid buying and selling of securities to take advantage of small price differences.
- 96. Consider the following statements regarding patents:
 - A patent is an exclusive right granted for an invention that may be a product or a process and provides a new way of doing something.
 - 2. The patent owner has the exclusive right to prevent or stop others from commercially exploiting the patented invention.
 - Patent rights are applicable globally irrespective of the country or region in which a patent has been filed and granted.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 97. Consider the following statements about Santhal tribe:
 - 1. Santhals are the largest scheduled tribe community in India.
 - 2. They pay obeisance at sacred groves called Jaher.
 - 3. River Damodar holds a special place in the religious life cycle of a Santhal.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 98. Which one of the following best describes Tevaram and Tiruvacakam?
 - A. Compilations of songs
 - B. Ports in ancient India
 - C. Jain sects
 - D. Cave paintings
- 99. With reference to Kuwait, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is situated on the Arabian Peninsula sharing land borders with Iran, Iraq and Saudi Arabia.
 - 2. Qeshm, the largest island in the Persian Gulf, belongs to Kuwait.

3. Kuwait is a member of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) and League of Arab States.

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
- 100. Which of the following best describes a primary feature of the Kafala system?
 - A. Migrant workers can freely change employers without any restrictions.
 - B. Migrant workers' legal status is tied to their employer or sponsor.
 - C. Migrant workers are provided with guaranteed minimum wages and labor rights.
 - D. Employers are required to provide permanent residency to migrant workers after a fixed term.
- 101. Regarding Indian Institute of Arbitration & Mediation (IIAM), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It provides only international commercial arbitration, mediation and negotiation services.
 - 2. IIAM is a non-profit organization registered in India.
 - 3. IIAM is the first institution in India approved by the International Mediation Institute (IMI) for qualifying mediators for IMI certification.

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
- 102. Regarding Thanjavur Thalayatti Bommai, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a form of rod puppetry from South India.
 - 2. It generates a dance-like continuous movement with slow oscillations.
 - 3. It is often displayed during the festival of Navratri.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 2 and 3 only
- 103. Consider the following statements about Credit Default Swap (CDS):
 - 1. It is a type of credit derivative that provides the buyer with protection against default and other risks.
 - 2. The buyer of a CDS makes periodic payments to the seller until the credit maturity date.

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

- 104. Devised by the World Trade Organization (WTO), Rules of Origin is used:
 - 1. To implement anti-dumping duties and safeguard measures
 - 2. To determine Most Favored Nation (MFN) treatment to imported products
 - 3. For labeling and marking requirements

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 105. Consider the following statements regarding Inter-State Council:
 - 1. It was established under Article 263 of the Constitution, which states that the Parliament may constitute such a body if a need is felt for it.
 - 2. It was constituted to support Centre-State and Inter-State coordination and cooperation in India.
 - 3. The Punchhi Commission suggested the Council should exist as a permanent body.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 106. With regard to investment, which of the following best describes the PN3 Proposals in the Indian context?
 - A. It requires a thorough evaluation of environmental sustainability for all proposed investments.
 - B. It mandates that all investment proposals include a risk assessment and mitigation strategy before approval.
 - C. PN3 requires that all investment proposals achieve a minimum projected return on investment (ROI) before approval.
 - D. It requires prior Government approval as per the FDI Policy.
- 107. Consider the following statements regarding the National Testing Agency (NTA)?
 - 1. It was established as a Society registered under the Indian Societies Registration Act, 1860.
 - 2. Its main purpose is to conduct entrance examinations for admissions and recruitment in higher educational institutions.

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
- 108. Regarding the Stand-Up India scheme, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It provides bank loans between 1 lakh and 10 lakhs to at least one SC/ST borrower and at least one woman borrower per bank branch.

- 2. Loans under the scheme are available for only green field projects.
- 3. The loan is given for setting up a new enterprise in the manufacturing sector only.

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
- 109. The term "Extraordinary Revenue Acceleration" (ERA) loans is sometimes seen in the news in the context of
 - A. ASEAN
- B. BRICS
- C. G20
- D. G7
- 110. With reference to the Washington Consensus, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It was unveiled by British economist John Williamson.
 - 2. It revolves around 10 policies popularly known as Decalogue.
 - 3. It had the backing of the World Bank and IMF.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 111. Which of the following is not a member of the Western Mediterranean (WestMED) initiative?
 - A. United Kingdom
- B. France
- C. Italy
- D. Malta
- 112. Consider the following statements about the National Anthem:
 - 1. It was composed originally in Sanskrit by Rabindranath Tagore.
 - 2. It was adopted in its Hindi version by the Constituent Assembly as the National Anthem of India on January 24, 1950.

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
- 113. Consider the following:
 - 1. Curb economic and violent crimes
 - 2. Help fight cyber and high technology crime
 - 3. Protect the environment, arts, antiques and heritage.

Which of the above mentioned are included in the visions of the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

- 114. Consider the following statements about the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967:
 - 1. It was enacted on the recommendation of the Inter-State Council.
 - 2. It gives powers to the government to probe and prosecute people for acts of terrorism.
 - 3. In its original form, the Act had no explicit mention of terrorism.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 115. The Global Gender Gap report is released by which of the following?
 - A. Working Women's Forum
 - B. UN Women
 - C. World Economic Forum (WEF)
 - D. UN Economic and Social Council
- 116. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Hindu Marriage Act, 1955, requires either spouse to convert to the religion of the other before marriage.
 - 2. The Special Marriage Act, 1954 enables marriage between interfaith couples without resorting to conversion.

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
- 117. Which of the following is not correct regarding the Kafala System?
 - A. It gives the host government almost total control over migrant workers' employment and immigration status.
 - B. It arose from growing demand in Gulf economies for cheap labor, and the desperation of many migrants in search of work.
 - C. A worker who leaves their job without permission risks becoming an illegal migrant.
 - D. The word kafala traces back to Islamic jurisprudence on legal guardianship and other matters.
- 118. Italy is surrounded by which of the following water bodies?
 - 1. Adriatic Sea
 - 2. Tyrrhenian Sea
 - 3. Mediterranean Sea
 - 4. Gulf of Bothnia

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1, 2 and 3 only
- C. 1, 3 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 119. Which of the following is a key characteristic of the gig economy?
 - A. Workforce is engaged in short-term, flexible jobs, often facilitated through digital platforms.
 - B. Workers are employed on long-term, full-time contracts with extensive benefits.
 - C. Workers in the gig economy are typically unionized and receive standardized wages.
 - D. Workers tend to enjoy less flexibility compared to traditional employees.
- 120. Consider the following statements regarding Teesta river:
 - 1. It flows through Nepal, Sikkim and West Bengal before entering Bangladesh.
 - 2. It is a right bank tributary of the Brahmaputra.
 - 3. India and Bangladesh have been engaged in a dispute over water-sharing of Teesta river.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 121. Consider the following:
 - 1. Question Hour
 - 2. Zero Hour
 - 3. Adjournment motions
 - 4. No-confidence motions

Which of the above mentioned are tools of Parliamentary control over the Executive?

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 2, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 122. Consider the following statements regarding the "Summit on Peace in Ukraine":
 - 1. It was organized in Burgenstock, Switzerland to develop a common understanding for a just and lasting peace in Ukraine.
 - 2. It focussed on all the points of Ukraine's 10-point peace proposal.
 - 3. None of the BRICS members signed the joint communique.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

- 123. Which of the following is a primary objective of the Madrid Protocol on Environmental Protection to the Antarctic Treaty 1991?
 - A. To establish IAEA backed nuclear bases for research purposes
 - B. To promote commercial mining activities in Antarctica
 - C. To designate Antarctica as a natural reserve, devoted to peace and science
 - D. To encourage tourism and recreational activities in protected areas
- 124. Regarding National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is an autonomous organization functioning under the Ministry of Culture.
 - 2. It advises the Central and State Governments on policies and programmes for qualitative improvement in school education.
 - 3. It is an implementation agency for bilateral cultural exchange programmes with other countries in the field of school education.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 125. Which of the following statements about the Mediterranean climate is NOT correct?
 - A. It is entirely confined to the western portion of continental masses
 - B. The basic cause of this type of climate is the shifting of the wind belts.
 - C. The Mediterranean Sea has the greatest extent of this type of climate.
 - D. The best developed form of this climatic type is found in Italy.
- 126. Regarding the Gini coefficient, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a measure of income inequality only.
 - 2. A value of 0 indicates perfect inequality whereas a value of 1 indicates perfect equality.
 - 3. A Lorenz curve is a graphical representation of the distribution of income or wealth within a population.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

- 127. India has signed Regional Trade Agreements (RTAs)/Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) with which of the following?
 - 1. Singapore
 - 2. Mauritius
 - 3. Australia
 - 4. Japan

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1, 3 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 128. The Gadgil Formula developed for allocating central assistance funds to states was introduced in:
 - A. Fourth five year plan
 - B. Sixth five year plan
 - C. Eighth five year plan
 - D. Second five year plan
- 129. Consider the following statements regarding G7 countries:
 - It was formed as G6 after inflation and recession sparked by the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) oil embargo.
 - 2. Russia joined the grouping a year later after its formation.
 - 3. There is no formal criteria for membership.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 130. Which of the following was the only member from northeast India to be elected to the Drafting Committee of Indian Constitution?
 - A. B L Mitter
 - B. Dr B R Ambedkar
 - C. KM Munshi
 - D. Muhammad Saadulla
- 131. Which of the following best describes the concept of decoupling in international trade?
 - A. It refers to the simultaneous economic growth and trade interdependence between countries.
 - B. It is the process by which countries reduce their economic and trade dependencies on each other.
 - C. It indicates the strengthening of trade ties and economic integration among global markets.
 - D. It involves the elimination of trade barriers to promote free trade between nations.

- 132. Regarding delimitation, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It means the process of fixing limits or boundaries of territorial constituencies in a country or a province having a legislative body.
 - 2. The orders of the Delimitation Commission in India have the force of law and cannot be called in question before any court.
 - 3. In India, such Delimitation Commissions have been constituted six times till date.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 133. What is the primary objective of "Mission Raftaar"?
 - A. To fasten immunization under Aspirational Blocks Programme.
 - B. To increase the speed of freight and passenger trains.
 - C. To enhance patent registration in India.
 - D. To expand the railway network to Himalayan areas.
- 134. Consider the following statements about Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant (ZNPP):
 - 1. It is Europe's largest nuclear power station and supplied 50% of Ukraine's electricity prior to Russia's invasion in February 2022.
 - It is the first operational nuclear power plant ever to be seized and militarily occupied during an armed conflict.

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
- 135. Which of the following contribute to trapping of heat in the lower atmosphere?
 - 1. Increased congestion
 - 2. Paved surfaces
 - 3. Depletion of water bodies
 - 4. High-density settlements

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

- 136. Consider the following statements about the Chip Chap river:
 - 1. It is a tributary of the Shyok river that flows through the Aksai Chin region.
 - 2. It originates at the eastern edge of the Depsang Plains.

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
- 137. Regarding monsoon, consider the following statements:
 - Monsoon winds beyond Kerala progress in the form of two branches viz. the Arabian Sea branch and the Bay of Bengal branch.
 - 2. Both the branches reach Delhi more or less at the same time.
 - 3. The advance of the monsoon is much faster in the Arabian Sea than in the Bay of Bengal.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 138. Consider the following statements regarding the principle of non-refoulement under the UN Refugee Convention, 1951:
 - 1. It prohibits the return of a refugee to a territory where his or her life or freedom is threatened.
 - 2. It is considered a rule of customary international law
 - 3. It is binding on all States, regardless of whether they have acceded to the 1951 Convention or 1967 Protocol.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 139. Which of the following statements is true about the 1967 Protocol relating to the UN Refugee Convention, 1951?
 - A. It removed the temporal and geographic limitations of the 1951 Refugee Convention.
 - B. It introduced the definition of a refugee for the first time
 - C. It is only applicable to refugees in Europe.
 - D. It eliminated the need for any state to adhere to the 1951 Refugee Convention.

- 140. With reference to Global Gender Gap index, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It takes into account educational attainment and political empowerment only for preparation of the index.
 - 2. The index lies between 0 and 1, with 1 denoting complete parity.
 - 3. The focus is on the position of women relative to men (gender equality), rather than to their absolute position.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 3 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 141. What does Gross Fixed Capital Formation (GFCF) measure in economic terms?
 - A. The total value of goods and services produced in a country during a given period.
 - B. The net increase in physical assets within an economy over a given period, excluding inventory changes.
 - C. The total value of financial assets held by households and businesses in an economy.
 - D. The total expenditure on consumer goods and services by households in an economy.
- 142. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The primary feature of KAVACH is controlling the speed of the train if the driver fails to apply brakes on time.

Statement-II:The KAVACH system mainly works with the help of RFID tags placed on the tracks and station yards, which can locate trains and their directions.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 143. What is the primary difference between a 'hard' landing and a 'soft' landing in economic terms?
 - A. A 'hard' landing refers to a rapid increase in economic growth, while a 'soft' landing refers to a gradual decrease in inflation.
 - B. A 'hard' landing involves a sudden and severe economic downturn, whereas a 'soft' landing involves a slow and controlled deceleration of economic growth.

- C. A 'hard' landing is characterized by sustained high inflation, while a 'soft' landing is characterized by deflation.
- D. A 'hard' landing indicates a sudden spike in unemployment, while a 'soft' landing refers to a significant increase in foreign investment.
- 144. Which one of the following best describes "'agitprop", recently seen in the news?
 - A. A form of government propaganda aimed at agitating and mobilizing the public for a specific cause.
 - B. A method of promoting agricultural and technological advancements in rural areas.
 - C. A system of economic policies designed to stimulate rapid industrial growth.
 - D. A strategy used to integrate agriculture and e-commerce for better market access.
- 145. The term "Strategic Alliance Agreement (SAA)" is often seen in the news, in the context of
 - A. United States-Saudi Arabia
 - B. Russia-China
 - C. Russia-North Korea
 - D. Pakistan-Turkey
- 146. GST Council make recommendations to the Union and the States on which of the following?
 - 1. Goods and services that may be subjected or exempted from GST.
 - 2. Model GST Laws
 - 3. GST rates including the floor rates with bands
 - 4. Special provisions for certain States

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
- 147. Consider the following statements regarding Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of Hybrid and Electric Vehicles (FAME) Scheme Phase II:
 - 1. It was launched under the National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC).
 - 2. It encourages electric and hybrid vehicle purchase by providing financial support.
 - 3. It also finances charging infrastructures.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

- consider the following statements:
 - 1. It was set up under the chairmanship of the Chairman of Chiefs of Staff Committee (COSC).
 - 2. Chief of the Army Staff, Chief of the Air Staff and Chief of the Naval Staff are among its members.
 - 3. It has been tasked to prepare the National Security Strategy.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 149. The term "Sonora 64 and Lerma Rojo 64A" is often seen in the news, is a variety of
 - A. Wheat
- B. Rice
- C. Cotton
- D. Oil seeds
- 150. Which of the following is the main purpose of the Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI)?
 - A. To measure the stock market performance
 - B. To evaluate the inflation rate
 - C. To assess the economic health of the manufacturing and service sectors
 - D. To determine the unemployment rate
- 151. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Presbyopia is the gradual loss of eyes' ability to focus on distant objects.

Statement-II: Presbyopia is caused by a hardening of the lenses of the eye, which occurs with aging.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 152. What does Engel's Law primarily state about household spending?
 - A. As income increases, the proportion of income spent on food increases.
 - B. As income increases, the proportion of income spent on food decreases.
 - C. As income increases, the proportion of income spent on luxury goods decreases.
 - D. As income increases, the proportion of income spent on housing decreases.

- 148. Regarding the Defence Planning Committee (DPC), | 153. Consider the following statements with respect to 'EWS quota for reservation':
 - 1. The 10% EWS quota was introduced through the 103rd Constitution (Amendment) Act, 2019 by amending Articles 15 and 16.
 - 2. It provides reservation in jobs and admissions in educational institutes for Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) on the basis of societal and educational conditions.
 - 3. It was enacted to promote the welfare of the poor not covered by the 50% reservation policy.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- A. Only one
- B. Only two
- C. All three
- D. None
- 154. With reference to the appointment of judges to high court, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Chief Justice and Judges of the High Courts are to be appointed by the President under Article 217 of the Constitution.
 - 2. The proposal for appointment of a Judge of a High Court shall be initiated by the Chief Justice of India.

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
- 155. With reference to the National Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It measures simultaneous deprivations across three equally weighted dimensions of Health, Education, and Standard of Living.
 - 2. This methodology is based on the robust Alkire and Foster (AF) method that identifies people as poor based on universally acknowledged metrics.
 - 3. The National MPI covers 12 indicators while global MPI covers 10 indicators.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- A. Only one
- B. Only two
- C. All three
- D. None
- 156. Consider the following statements with respect to 'State of Global Air (SoGA) Report':
 - 1. It is released by the Health Effects Institute (HEI), an independent U.S.-based nonprofit research organization, in partnership with UNICEF.
 - 2. Air pollution has become the second-leading global risk factor for death, surpassing tobacco and diabetes and trailing only hypertension.
 - 3. Six out of ten deaths worldwide attributed to air pollution are caused by the PM10 particle.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- A. Only one
- B. Only two
- C. All three
- D. None

above statements?

157. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: India reported 1,332,207 cancer cases between 2012 and 2019.

Approximately 3.2% and 4.6% of these cases were in the age groups 0-14 years and 0-19 years, respectively.

Statement-II: Leukaemias constitute a substantial burden, comprising nearly half of all cancers in the 0-4 and 5-9 age groups (42.1% and 42.5%, respectively). Which one of the following is correct in respect of the

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- C. Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect.
- D. Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct.
- 158. With reference to the Inflation, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Inflation, as defined by the International Monetary Fund, is the rate of increase in prices over a given period.
 - Headline inflation is a measure of the total inflation within an economy, including commodities such as food and energy prices, which are more volatile.
 - The headline inflation figure is reported through the Consumer Price Index (CPI), which calculates the cost to purchase a fixed basket of goods

How many of the above statements are correct?

- A. Only one
- B. Only two
- C. All three
- D. None
- 159. Consider the following statements regarding 'Speaker and Deputy Speaker of Lok Sabha':
 - 1. Article 93 of the Constitution provides for the election of both the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker.
 - 2. The institutions of Speaker and Deputy Speaker originated under the provisions of the Government of India Act of 1935.

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
- 160. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Coalition government is defined as when several political parties join hands to form a government and exercise political power based on a common agreed programme.

Statement-II: Coalition politics is not a static but a dynamic affair as coalition players and groups dissolve and form new ones.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- C. Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect.
- D. Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct.
- 161. Consider the following statements regarding cropping seasons in India:
 - 1. Kharif crops which are sown in June-July include crops like peas and gram.
 - 2. Rabi crops which are sown in October-December period include crops like wheat, barley, and mustard.
 - 3. Zaid crops are sown between Rabi and Kharif.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 162. Consider the following statements regarding inflation:
 - 1. Maintaining a moderate level of inflation is often seen as desirable for economic stability.
 - 2. Creditors may benefit from inflation while debtors may lose purchasing power.
 - 3. Inflation targeting is one of the mandates of the Ministry of Finance.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 ad 3 only
- D. None 1 only
- 163. Consider the following statements regarding Minimum Support Price(MSP):
 - 1. MSP is the legally guaranteed amount paid to farmers when the government buys their produce.
 - 2. MSP is based on the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices.
 - 3. The government announces minimum support prices for 23 food crops.

- A. 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. None of the above

- 164. Consider the following statements regarding El Nino and La Nina:
 - 1. El Nino is a pattern that describes the unusual cooling of the tropical eastern Pacific.
 - 2. La Nina is the unusual warming of surface waters in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean.
 - 3. El Nino brings rain to South America, while La Nina causes drought in the South American countries of Peru and Ecuador.

- A. 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 165. Consider the following statements regarding the post of the Speaker in Lok Sabha.
 - 1. The House elects its presiding officer by a special majority of members present.
 - 2. The Speaker is the final interpreter of the provisions of the Constitution of India within the house.
 - 3. A speaker can resign from office by giving his resignation to the President.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1, 2 and 3
- D. None of the above
- 166. Consider the following statements regarding the post of the Pro-tem Speaker:
 - 1. Speaker Pro-tem is appointed by the President under Article 94 of the Constitution.
 - 2. Usually, the senior most member of the house is made the pro-tem speaker.
 - 3. The ongoing Speaker administers oath to the Speaker Pro Tem.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1, 2 and 3
- D. None of the above
- 167. Regarding Census, consider the following statements regarding:
 - 1. The decennial Census is conducted by the Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation
 - 2. Census in India has legal/statutory backing.
 - 3. Population census is a concurrent subject of the seventh schedule of the Constitution.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 2 and 3 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 1, 2 and 3
- D. 3 only

- 168. The KAVACH system sometimes seen in the news is related to:
 - A. Night surveillance system for border security
 - B. System for safely landing of flights on foggy days.
 - C. Automatic rail protection system
 - D. Cyber security system for controlling banking frauds
- 169. Consider the following statements regarding Great Nicobar Island Project :
 - The Great Nicobar Island (GNI) project is being implemented at the northern end of the Andaman and Nicobar islands.
 - 2. The Great Nicobar Island located 90 km away from the western tip of the Coco Channel.
 - 3. The mega infrastructure projects will include an International Container Trans-shipment Terminal (ICTT) and a greenfield international airport.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 170. Consider the following statements regarding Great Indian Bustards:
 - 1. Its population is confined mostly to Assam and Nagaland.
 - 2. Conservation breeding facility has been established in Kajiranga National park.
 - 3. It is under IUCN Red List and is listed as Critically Endangered.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 171. Consider the following statements regarding The National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA):
 - The National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) is India's apex statutory body for disaster management.
 - 2. The Home Minister is its chairperson and it has nine other members.
 - 3. The primary responsibility for the management of disaster rests with the Union Government concerned.

- A. 3 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

- 172. Consider the following statements regarding The National Commission for Scheduled Tribes (NCST):
 - 1. It was set up in 1992 by amending Article 338 and by inserting a new article 338A in the Constitution.
 - It consists of a Chairperson, a Vice-Chairperson and
 other Members who are appointed by the President.
 - 3. The Commission provides reports on the operation of those safeguards to the Minister of Tribal Affairs annually and as necessary.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 173. Galathea Bay, sometimes seen in news, is part of which of the following island groups of India?
 - A. Andaman Island
 - B. Nicobar Island
 - C. Minicoy Island
 - D. Kavaratti Island
- 174. Consider the following statements regarding GST Council:
 - 1. It came into force after the 102nd Constitutional amendment act was passed by the Parliament in 2016.
 - It was set up by the President as per Article 279A
 (1).
 - 3. It is chaired by the Union Finance Minister.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 175. Consider the following statements regarding the Heat Wave Election Commission of India:
 - 1. Part XIV of the Indian Constitution deals with elections and establishes a commission for these matters.
 - Originally the commission had only one election commissioner but after the Election Commissioner Amendment Act 1989, it was made a multi-member body.
 - 3. The salary and conditions of service of the CEC and ECs is equivalent to the salary of a Supreme Court Judge.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 3 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 176. Consider the following statements regarding The National Testing Agency (NTA):
 - 1. It is a statutory body established in 2017.
 - 2. It is an attached office of the Ministry of Education to conduct entrance examinations for admission in higher educational institutions.
 - 3. NTA is chaired by the Minister of Education.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 177. Consider the following statements regarding President's Rule:
 - Parliamentary approval with a special majority is necessary for the imposition of President's Rule on any state.
 - 2. It can be revoked at any time by the President and this does not require Parliament's approval.
 - 3. It can be extended for three years with parliamentary approval every six months..

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 178. Consider the following statements in respect of Speaker of the Lok Sabha:
 - 1. As per Article 94 of the Constitution, the Speaker is elected by a simple majority.
 - 2. The Speaker is elected from among the members of the lower house of the Parliament.
 - 3. The Lok Sabha MPs cast their votes in an open ballot.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 179. Consider the following statements regarding National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS):
 - 1. It is the apex agency looking into the political, economic, energy and strategic security concerns of India.
 - 2. It works under National Cyber Security Coordinator (NCSC).

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 180. Which one of the following best describes INS Kohassa?
 - A. A stealth submarine of the Indian Navy
 - B. An aircraft carrier of the Indian Navy
 - C. A naval air station of the Indian Navy
 - D. A missile destroyer of the Indian Navy
- 181. Dodol, often seen in the news for GI tag, is
 - A. A traditional embroidery saree from Gujarat
 - B. A type of Kashmiri traditional dress
 - C. A unique musical instrument from Manipur
 - D. A popular Goan sweet or confection

- 182. With reference to National Family Health Survey 2019-21 (NFHS-5), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It provides information on population, health and nutrition for India.
 - 2. It includes some new topics, such as preschool education, disability, access to a toilet facility, death registration among others.
 - 3. HIV testing has been dropped.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 183. Tsushima Island divides which of the following straits?
 - A. Kamchatka Strait
 - B. Taiwan Strait
 - C. Korea Strait
 - D. Luzon Strait
- 184. Which one of the following best describes the Champerty Agreement?
 - A. An agreement between a landlord and tenant for property lease.
 - B. An agreement in which a party agrees to finance another party's lawsuit in exchange for a share of the proceeds.
 - C. A contract for the sale of stressed bank loans.
 - D. A Joint Venture between two businesses.
- 185. Consider the following statements regarding Tibet:
 - 1. Tibet borders India, Nepal, Myanmar and Bhutan.
 - 2. U-Tsang, Kham and Amdo are three original provinces of Tibet.
 - 3. Tibet Autonomous Region (TAR) is made up of Amdo province only.

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

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 186. Consider the following pairs:

Geological Sites

Location

1. Dhala crater

- a. Andhra Pradesh
- 2. Lonar crater
- b. Maharashtra
- 3. Varkala cliff
- c. Gujarat

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

- A. 2 only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

- 187. As per the Constitution of India, what conditions are needed to be fulfilled in order to recognise a person as Leader of the Opposition (LoP)?
 - 1. The party should be numerically the biggest one in opposition to the government.
 - 2. That party should be recognised by the Speaker as the Opposition party.

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
- 188. With reference to proclamation of a National Emergency, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It must be approved by both Houses of Parliament within one month from the date of its issue.
 - 2. If approved by both Houses of Parliament, the National Emergency continues for six months.
 - 3. It can be extended for a maximum period of 3 years with the approval of Parliament every six months.

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
- 189. Which schedule of the Indian Constitution contains provisions regarding defections?
 - A. Fifth Schedule
- B. Seventh Schedule
- C. Ninth Schedule
- D. Tenth Schedule
- 190. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Indian-made foreign liquor (IMFL) does not meet the traditional standards for being classified as whisky, brandy, or other types of liquor.

Statement-II: Foreign liquors made in India are made from molasses, a byproduct of making sugar from sugarcane, instead of grains.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 191. What is the primary principle of a residual dividend policy?
 - A. Paying dividends only after meeting all capital expenditure needs
 - B. Paying a fixed dividend irrespective of earnings
 - C. Paying dividends equal to a set percentage of net income
 - D. Paying dividends only during profitable years

- 192. Which government agency is responsible for implementing the Digital MSME Scheme?
 - A. Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
 - B. National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC)
 - C. Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)
 - D. Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)
- 193. Under the Simla Agreement, 1972, the Government of India and Pakistan have agreed to which of the following?
 - 1. Principles of the Charter of the United Nations shall govern the relations between the two countries
 - Both nations shall take all steps within their power to prevent hostile propaganda directed against each other.
 - 3. Indian and Pakistani forces shall be withdrawn to their side of the international border.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 194. Which one of the following best describes the bottom trawling?
 - A. A method of fishing where nets are dragged along the seafloor to catch bottom-dwelling species.
 - B. A method of fishing where fish are caught using baited hooks suspended in the water column.
 - C. A method of fishing where large cages are placed on the seafloor to trap fish.
 - D. A method of fishing where fish are attracted to the surface using lights and then netted.
- 195. Consider the following statements regarding the President's Address under Article 87 of the Constitution:
 - 1. The President addresses both the houses at the beginning of the first session of each year only.
 - 2. It essentially highlights the government's policy priorities and plans for the upcoming year.

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
- 196. What does the "Bandung Spirit" refer to?
 - A. A cultural movement in Southeast Asia promoting traditional arts.
 - B. A trade agreement between Southeast Asian countries and China to boost economic cooperation.

- C. An environmental initiative to preserve rainforests in equatorial countries.
- D. A principle promoting unity among Asian and African nations against colonialism and imperialism.
- 197. With reference to Fiscal Policy Strategy Statement, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is presented to Parliament under the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act, 2003.
 - 2. It explains how the current fiscal policies are in conformity with sound fiscal management principles.

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
- 198. Consider the following statements regarding the Speaker of Lok Sabha:
 - 1. The Lok Sabha Speaker is the constitutional and ceremonial head of the House.
 - 2. The Lok Sabha must choose one of its members as Speaker "as soon as may be" after the House begins functioning.
 - 3. As per the Constitution, election of Speaker is held by a simple majority of members present and voting in the House.

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

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 199. Rational Choice Theory is often used to explain which of the following phenomena?
 - A. Cultural traditions and rituals.
 - B. Market behavior and consumer choices.
 - C. Random events and natural disasters.
 - D. The spread of diseases and public health outcomes.
- 200. What distinguishes disinflation from deflation?
 - A. Disinflation refers to a temporary decrease in inflation rates, whereas deflation refers to a sustained decrease in the general price level.
 - B. Disinflation refers to an increase in inflation rates, whereas deflation refers to a decrease.
 - C. Disinflation and deflation are terms used interchangeably to describe periods of economic recession.
 - D. Disinflation refers to a rapid increase in inflation rates, whereas deflation refers to a gradual decrease.

Answers

1. (a)	2. (b)	3. (d)	4. (c)	5. (b)	6. (c)	7. (a)	8. (d)	9. (a)	10. (c)
11. (b)	12. (d)	13. (c)	14. (d)	15. (b)	16. (c)	17. (d)	18. (d)	19. (a)	20. (a)
21. (a)	22. (d)	23. (b)	24. (c)	25. (a)	26. (a)	27. (c)	28. (d)	29. (c)	30. (a)
31. (b)	32. (c)	33. (a)	34. (b)	35. (c)	36. (b)	37. (d)	38. (c)	39. (b)	40. (d)
41. (a)	42. (c)	43. (b)	44. (c)	45. (b)	46. (a)	47. (a)	48. (d)	49. (c)	50. (a)
51. (b)	52. (d)	53. (a)	54. (c)	55. (d)	56. (d)	57. (d)	58. (a)	59. (b)	60. (c)
61. (b)	62. (a)	63. (d)	64. (c)	65. (b)	66. (c)	67. (b)	68. (a)	69. (d)	70. (b)
71. (c)	72. (d)	73. (b)	74. (d)	75. (a)	76. (c)	77. (c)	78. (d)	79. (d)	80. (b)
81. (a)	82. (b)	83. (a)	84. (c)	85. (d)	86. (b)	87. (c)	88. (d)	89. (b)	90. (d)
91. (c)	92. (a)	93. (c)	94. (d)	95. (b)	96. (a)	97. (b)	98. (a)	99. (c)	100. (b)
101. (c)	102. (d)	103. (c)	104. (d)	105. (a)	106. (d)	107. (c)	108. (b)	109. (d)	110. (c)
111. (a)	112. (b)	113. (d)	114. (b)	115. (c)	116. (c)	117. (a)	118 (b)	119. (a)	120. (b)
121. (d)	122. (b)	123. (c)	124. (b)	125. (d)	126. (c)	127. (d)	128. (a)	129. (b)	130. (d)
131. (b)	132. (a)	133. (b)	134. (b)	135. (d)	136. (c)	137. (b)	138. (d)	139. (a)	140. (c)
141. (b)	142. (a)	143. (b)	144. (a)	145. (a)	146. (d)	147. (b)	148. (c)	149. (a)	150. (c)
151. (d)	152. (b)	153. (a)	154. (b)	155. (c)	156. (b)	157. (b)	158. (c)	159. (a)	160. (b)
161. (b)	162. (d)	163. (d)	164. (c)	165. (a)	166. (a)	167. (b)	168. (c)	169. (a)	170. (c)
171. (c)	172. (a)	173. (b)	174. (b)	175. (c)	176. (d)	177. (b)	178. (c)	179. (a)	180. (c)
181. (d)	182. (d)	183. (c)	184. (b)	185. (b)	186. (a)	187. (d)	188. (a)	189. (d)	190. (a)
191. (a)	192. (b)	193. (d)	194. (a)	195. (b)	196. (d)	197. (c)	198. (b)	199. (b)	200. (a)