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1. Consider the following statements regarding Alzheimer's Disease:

1. It is a curable neurological disorder which causes brain cells to degenerate and die.
2. It causes the loss of intellectual and social skills among older adults.

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

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

2. Consider the following statements regarding 'Swachh Bharat Mission-Grameen (SBM-G) Phase-II':

1. It will emphasize on providing adequate facilities for Solid/Liquid & plastic Waste Management (SLWM) in rural India.
2. Under SBM-G Phase-II, Lighthouse Initiative (LHI) will develop 75 model ODF Plus blocks.

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

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

3. Recently, the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) discovered Buddhist caves and stupas at which of the following Tiger Reserves?

- (a) Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve
(b) Pilibhit Tiger Reserve
(c) Sariska Tiger Reserve
(d) Ranipur Tiger Reserve

4. Consider the following statements regarding the Competition Act, 2002:

1. Competition Commission of India (CCI) and the Competition Appellate Tribunal (COMPAT) were established in accordance with the amendment act of 2007.
2. National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) replaced the COMPAT in 2017.

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

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

5. Consider the following statements regarding Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC):

1. It is a Navaratna Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) of the Government of India.
2. It was set up under the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.

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

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

6. Consider the following statements regarding 'Juvenile Justice Act, 2015':

1. The Act offered provisions to allow trials of juveniles in the age group of 14-18 years.
2. The Act replaced the Hindu Adoptions and Maintenance Act (1956).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

7. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Medical Termination of Pregnancy Amendment Act, 2021':

1. This act solely applies to married women only.
2. A pregnancy may be terminated up to 20 weeks in case of a married woman.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

8. With reference to Mahatma Gandhi, consider the following statements:

1. Gandhi ji withdrew from the Civil Disobedience Movement after the Chauri-Chaura incident.
2. Poona Pact was negotiated between Mahatma Gandhi and Pt Madan Mohan Malaviya.

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

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

1. Retail inflation in India is measured by the Wholesale Price Index.
2. The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) uses CPI (Consumer Price Index) data to control inflation.

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

10. Consider the following statements about 'International Monetary Fund (IMF)':

1. Appointment of executive directors to the Executive Board is made by the Development Committee of the IMF.
2. The currency value of the SDR is determined by summing the values in U.S. dollars, based on market exchange rates, of a SDR basket of currencies.

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

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

1. The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) is the nodal ministry of the Swachh Survekshan, 2023.
2. Swachh Survekshan was launched as part of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan to make India free of open defecation.

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

12. Consider the following statements with respect to the Waste to Wealth Mission:

1. Waste to Wealth is one of the nine missions of the Prime Minister's Science, Technology & Innovation Advisory Council (PM-STIAC).
2. Waste to Wealth mission will assist and augment the Swachh Bharat Mission.

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

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

1. The Charter of the United Nations was signed at the United Nations Conference on International Organization.
2. The UN Charter is a legal instrument, and all UN Member States are bound by it.

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. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct regarding the Jal Jeevan Mission?

- (a) Paani Samitis created under this mission are mandated to have at least 50% women members.
- (b) An underlying issue of this mission is that it has no provision for reuse of greywater.
- (c) The Central Government bears 90% of the funds for this mission for Himalayan and Northeastern states.
- (d) Under this mission, Telangana and Haryana have achieved 100% tap connectivity to all households in the State.

15. Which of the following is/are correct regarding the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (Amendment) Act, 2021?

1. It mandates that the opinion of two doctors is required for terminating pregnancies between 20 and 24 weeks.
2. It allows women to terminate their pregnancy between 20-24 weeks in the case of change in their marital status during the ongoing pregnancy.

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

16. In the last one year, the Indian Rupee has depreciated by over 10%. It crossed the psychological marker of Rs. 80 to a dollar, and India's foreign exchange reserves are down by more than USD 100 billion.

Which of the following is/are the causes of the recent depreciation in the Indian Rupee?

1. India's current account deficit is widening.
2. Capital outflows driven by rate hikes by the U.S. Federal Reserve.

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

17. Consider the following statements:

1. Although the process of devaluation is different from depreciation, there is no difference in terms of the impacts created by the two.
2. Both India and China follow the floating rate of exchange system in determining their currency's value.

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

18. Consider the following statements:

1. India's both birth rate and death rate have witnessed significant decline in the past four decades (1971-2018).
2. Bihar has the highest birth rate in India while Delhi has the highest death rate.

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

19. Which of the following countries attends the G20 summits as a permanent, non-member invitee?

- (a) Sweden (b) Italy
(c) Norway (d) Spain

20. Consider the following statements:

1. A genome refers to all of the genetic material in an organism.
2. In higher organisms, genetic code is contained in Deoxyribose Nucleic Acid (DNA).
3. Entire human contains more than 3 billion DNA base pairs.

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

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

21. Consider the following statements regarding National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET):

1. It is the entrance examination for entry to all undergraduate but not postgraduate medical and dental courses in the country.
2. It is conducted by the National Testing Agency (NTA).

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

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

22. Consider the following statements:

1. Governor enjoys absolute veto, suspensive veto (except on money bills) but not the pocket veto.
2. The President of India can withhold his assent to state bills reserved for his consideration only in the first instance but not in the second instance.

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

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

23. Consider the following statements regarding Election Commission of India:

1. It derives its power and functions from Article 323 of the Constitution.
2. The model code of conduct issued by the ECI is a set of guidelines meant for political parties, candidates, and governments to adhere to during an election.

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

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

24. Consider the following statements regarding Agnipath Scheme:

1. It allows patriotic and motivated youth to serve in the Armed Forces for a period of four years.
2. It is only for personnel who do not join the forces as commissioned officers.

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

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

25. Consider the following statements regarding Department Related Standing Committees (DRSCs):

1. Out of the 24 standing committees, 8 work under the Rajya Sabha and 16 under the Lok Sabha.
2. A minister is eligible to be nominated as a member of any of the standing committees.
3. The term of office of each standing committee is one year from the date of its constitution.

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

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

26. Consider the following statements regarding Malaria:

1. It is a life-threatening mosquito borne blood disease caused by plasmodium parasite.
2. Plasmodium parasites spread through the bites of infected male Anopheles mosquitoes.

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

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

27. Consider the following statements regarding Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR):

1. The US is the first country in the world to mandate CSR spending along with a framework to identify potential CSR activities.
2. In India, the concept of CSR is governed by the Companies Act, 2013.

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

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

28. Consider the following statements regarding the World Trade Organization (WTO):

1. It is the only global international organization dealing with the rules of trade between nations.
2. It is a United Nations (UN) specialized agency.
3. The topmost decision-making body of the WTO is the Ministerial Conference, which usually meets every two years.

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

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

29. Consider the following statements regarding Virtual Water Trade:

1. It refers to the import and export of 'hidden water' present in various products such as textiles, machinery, livestock and crops.
2. Low water intensive exports of a country put its water sustainability at greater risk.

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

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

30. Consider the following statements:

1. Super app is a platform developed by a company offering various services under one umbrella.
2. A country becomes super app-ready when its large base of population preferably uses smartphone instead of desktop.

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

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

31. Consider the following statements regarding the Act East Policy:

1. It is the upgrade of the 'Look East Policy'.
2. It is a diplomatic initiative to promote economic, strategic and cultural relations with the vast Asia-Pacific region at different levels.
3. The 4C's of the Act East Policy are- Culture, Commerce, Connectivity and Capacity building.

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

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

32. Consider the following statements regarding SWAYAM Prabha:

1. It is an initiative of the Ministry of Education.
2. It provides 34 High Quality Educational Direct-To-home (DTH) Channels across the length and breadth of the country on a 24x7 basis.

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

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

33. Consider the following statements regarding International Buddhist Circuit:

1. It is a route that follows in the footsteps of the Buddha from Lumbini in Nepal to Kushinagar in Uttar Pradesh, India.
2. It is the outcome of the first-time collaboration between Government of India, Buddhist monasteries and sects, and the World Bank Group.

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

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

34. Consider the following statements regarding Neo-Buddhism:

1. The concept of Neo-Buddhism was advocated by Mahatma Gandhi.
2. It is also known as Navayana, which means 'new vehicle'.
3. It was proposed as a mass movement that would elevate former 'Untouchables' and help them achieve self-respect.

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

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

35. India's first Dark Sky Reserve is being set-up in which of the following states?

- (a) Ladakh (b) Uttarakhand
(c) Himachal Pradesh (d) Rajasthan

36. Consider the following statements:

1. India ranks fourth among 12 Indo-Pacific nations in self-reliant arms production capabilities as per Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI).
2. SIPRI measures self-reliance based on three indicators- arms procurement, arms industry and uncrewed maritime vehicles in each country.

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

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

37. Consider the following statements regarding Lifestyle for the Environment (LiFE) Movement:

1. It seeks to leverage the strength of social networks to influence social norms surrounding climate.
2. It plans to create and nurture a global network of individuals i.e., 'Pro-Planet People' (P3).

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

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

38. Consider the following statements:

1. France-India-Australia Trilateral Format focuses on enhancing cooperation in the Indo-Pacific Region.
2. India has logistics agreement with Australia but not with France.

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

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

39. Consider the following statements regarding National Commission for Minorities (NCM):

1. It is a non-statutory body.
2. NCM consists of a Chairperson, a Vice-Chairperson and five members.
3. Each Member of NCM holds office for a period of three years from the date of assumption of office.

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

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

40. Consider the following statements regarding Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act (FRBM Act), 2003:

1. It aims to achieve fiscal stability and to give the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) flexibility to deal with inflation in India
2. As per the FRBM act, the set targets of fiscal deficits and revenue can never be exceeded.

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

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

41. Consider the following statements regarding Semiconductors:

1. These can be either pure elements or compounds.
2. The valence and conduction bands exhibit overlap in case of semiconductors.

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

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

42. Consider the following statements regarding National Investigation Agency (NIA):

1. It is empowered to investigate offences related to smuggling of arms, drugs and fake Indian currency and infiltration from across the borders.
2. It can investigate terror related crimes across states with special permission from the states, only.

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

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

43. Consider the following statements regarding Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968:

1. It empowers Election Commission of India to decide disputes among rival groups or sections of a recognized political party.
2. As per the order, decision of the Commission shall be binding on all such rival sections/groups.

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

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

44. Consider the following statements:

1. The Kerala government introduced the Chief Ministers' Breakfast Scheme for the school children.
2. Under the Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman or PM-POSHAN, one hot cooked meal in Government and Government-aided schools is provided.

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

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

45. Consider the following statements regarding the Noble Eightfold Path:

1. It is a set of practical instructions depicted in Jainism to reach the end of suffering.
2. Eightfold path is grouped into three essential elements i.e., moral conduct, mental discipline, and wisdom.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

46. With reference to the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), consider the following statements:

1. Decisions on any question require a two-thirds majority of the General Assembly.
2. The President of the Assembly is elected each year by the assembly to serve a one-year term of office.

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

47. With respect to the jurisdiction of the International Court of Justice (ICJ), consider the following statements:

1. All members of the United Nations (UN) are automatically parties to the ICJ statute.
2. The ICJ is empowered to adjudicate in a conflict even if one of the conflicted parties has consented to it.
3. The judgment of the ICJ is final and technically binding on the parties to a case.

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

48. Consider the following statements:

1. A major part of international humanitarian law is contained in the fourth Geneva Conventions of 1949.
2. International humanitarian law applies only to armed conflicts only.

3. The law equally applies to all sides of the conflict regardless of who started the fighting.

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

49. With reference to the tenets of Buddhism, consider the following statements:

1. Suffering is only limited to the actual pain.
2. There is no supreme god or deity in Buddhism.
3. Attainment of enlightenment points to a way of life that avoids self-indulgence and self-denial.

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

50. With reference to the Ajanta caves, consider the following caves:

1. It is a series of rock-cut caves in the Western Ghats.
2. These caves were inscribed by the Buddhist monks, under the patronage of the Vakataka kings.

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

51. Consider the following statements about BR Ambedkar:

1. He led the Mahad Satyagraha in 1927 against Hindus.
2. He participated in all three Round Table Conferences.
3. He converted to Buddhism.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

52. Consider the following statements regarding the concept of heliocentrism:

1. The heliocentric model was first proposed by Galileo Galilei.
2. It is a cosmological model in which the Sun is assumed to lie at or near a central point while the Earth and other bodies revolve around it.

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

53. Consider the following statements regarding National Crime Records Bureau's (NCRB's) report Accidental Deaths & Suicides in India Report 2021:

1. A rise in number of suicides was recorded at the national level with a quite high number for daily wage group.
2. Bihar among the states of the country topped in terms of number of the suicides.
3. Delhi among the UTs recorded the highest number of suicides

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

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

54. Consider the following statements:

1. Monetarism focuses on government spending whereas Keynesianism focuses on controlling the money supply.
2. Keynesians controls the money flowing into economy allowing the rest of market to fix itself, but Monetarists feel that monetary adjustments take too long to be felt.

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

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

55. Which of the following are the factors influencing South-West Monsoon Formation in India?

1. The differential heating and cooling of land and water
2. The shift of the position of Inter Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) in summer, over the Ganga plain
3. The presence of the low-pressure area over the Indian Ocean.
4. Heating of the Tibetan plateau during summer
5. African Easterly Jet.

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

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

56. Consider the following statements regarding Automatic Exchange of Information (AEOI):

1. India is in the AEOI agreement with Switzerland since 1991.
2. The guidelines and parameters for the AEOI are set by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).

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

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

57. Consider the following statements regarding Supreme Court (SC) Collegium System:

1. The SC collegium system headed by the Chief Justice of India (CJI) involves the appointment of judges but not the transfer of judges.
2. Judges of the higher judiciary are appointed only through the collegium system.

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

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

58. Consider the following statements regarding the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO):

1. It regulates the market authorization of new drugs but not the clinical trials standards.
2. It supervises drug imports and also regulates export of drugs in India.

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

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

59. Consider the following statements regarding Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI):

1. It is a non-government, not-for-profit organisation.
2. Committee Against Smuggling and Counterfeiting Activities Destroying the Economy (CASCADE) report is released by FICCI.

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

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

60. Consider the following statements regarding Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC):

1. It was set up by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).
2. The assessments of IPCC underlie negotiations at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

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

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

61. Consider the following statements regarding Central Information Commission (CIC):

1. It was established by the Central Government under the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005.
2. The members of CIC are appointed by the President and are also eligible for reappointment.

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

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

62. Consider the following statements:

1. Article 347 gives the President the power to recognize a language as an official language of a given state.
2. Article 350A provides for instruction in mother-tongue at the primary stage.
3. Article 351 gives power to the union government to issue a directive for development of the Hindi language.

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

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

63. Consider the following statements regarding Diabetes:

1. Type 1 Diabetes is known as juvenile diabetes that occurs when body fails to produce sufficient insulin.
2. Type 2 Diabetes affects middle-aged and older people only and can't affect children.

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

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

64. Consider the following statements regarding Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART):

1. It is NASA's first planetary defense test mission.
2. It is the first demonstration of the kinetic impactor technique.
3. It is a suicide mission, and the spacecraft was completely destroyed.

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

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

65. Consider the following statements regarding Red Corner Notice:

1. It alerts police forces across the world about fugitives who are wanted internationally.
2. It is published by Interpol at the request of a member country.

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

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

66. Consider the following statements:

1. The Mandal Commission concluded that 27% of government jobs should be reserved for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in India.
2. The Commission identified backward classes among Hindus but not the non-Hindus (e.g., Muslims, Sikhs, Christians, and Buddhists).

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

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

67. Consider the following statements regarding Foreign Exchange (Forex) Reserves:

1. These can include bonds, treasury bills and other government securities.
2. India's Forex Reserve include Foreign Currency Assets, Gold reserves, Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) and reserve position with the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

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

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

68. Consider the following statements regarding Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC):

1. It is the same as a fiat currency and is exchangeable one-to-one with the fiat currency.
2. CBDCs can't be transacted using wallets backed by blockchain.

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

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

69. Consider the following statements regarding Mission Karmayogi:

1. It is aimed at building a future-ready civil service with the right attitude, skills and knowledge, aligned to the vision of New India.
2. The capacity building will be delivered through iGOT Karmayogi digital platform, with content drawn from global best practices.

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

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

70. Consider the following statements regarding Information Technology Act, 2021:

1. A grievance redressal mechanism responsible for receiving and resolving complaints of the users is required to be established by the social media platforms.
2. A 'Grievance Appellate Committee' will be constituted functioning over and above the social media platform's grievance redressal officer.
3. If unsatisfied, the user can appeal against the decision only in the High Court.

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

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

71. Consider the following statements regarding World Economic Outlook 2022:

1. India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth in 2023 is forecast to slow down.
2. The growth in China is projected to rise in 2023.
3. Many regions of the world may experience recession-like situations.

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

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

72. Consider the following statements regarding Diethylene Glycol:

1. It is a toxic chemical that is used as contaminant in drugs.
2. It can cause acute kidney failure and even death in humans.

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

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

73. Consider the following statements regarding National Livestock Mission (NLM):

1. It is being implemented as a sub scheme of White Revolution- Rashtriya Pashudhan Vikas Yojana.
2. Under NLM, there are sub-missions under NLM Pig D development in North-Eastern Region, Feed and Fodder Development, Skill Development and Technology Transfer and Extension.

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

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

74. Which of the following are the key segments included within the FinTech Space?

1. Cryptocurrency
2. Smart Contracts
3. Lead Aggregation
4. Insurtech
5. Regtech
6. Cybersecurity

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

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

75. Consider the following statements regarding Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), 1967:

1. No court shall take cognizance of any offence under the Act without the previous sanction of the central or state government or any officer authorized by them.
2. The sanction for prosecution can be given any time after the consideration of the report by the competent authority.

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

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

76. Consider the following statements regarding Abortion Law in India:

1. The Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Amendment Act, 2021 didn't allow unmarried women to terminate a pregnancy in the case of failure of contraceptive method or device.
2. In 2022, Supreme Court allowed the unmarried women to undergo an abortion up to 20 weeks into pregnancy to access safe and legal abortion care.

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

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

77. Consider the following statements regarding Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD):

1. G20 mandates the OECD to develop a framework providing for the automatic exchange of tax-relevant information on Crypto-Assets.
2. The Crypto-Asset Reporting Framework (CARF) approved by OECD defines the relevant Crypto-Assets and the intermediaries that will be subject to reporting.

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

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

78. Consider the following statements regarding Global Hunger Index (GHI) 2022:

1. It is an annual report published by World Food Programme.
2. India ranked 107 out of 121 countries in 2022.

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

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

79. Consider the following statements regarding National Pension System (NPS):

1. It was launched as a way for the government to get rid of pension liabilities.
2. It is being implemented and regulated by PFRDA (Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority) in the country.

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

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

80. Consider the following statements regarding World Food Day:

1. October 16 is celebrated as World Food Day every year.
2. The theme for World Food Day 2022 is 'Leave No One Behind'.

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

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

81. Consider the following statements regarding Unified Payment Interface (UPI):

1. It powers multiple bank accounts into a single mobile application (of any participating bank), merging several banking features.
2. It is currently the biggest among the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) operated systems.

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

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

82. Consider the following statements regarding National Logistics Policy (NLP), 2022:

1. Logistics costs have to be cut by half to be near global benchmarks by 2030.
2. India aims to be among the top 10 in the LPI (Logistics Performance Index) by 2030.

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

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

83. Consider the following statements regarding Mahakaleshwar Jyotirlinga in Ujjain:

1. It is one of the 12 jyotirlingas considered the most sacred abodes of Shiva.
2. The shrine is revered as one of the 18 Maha Shakti Peeth in India.
3. It is the only jyotirlinga facing the north, while all the others face east.

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

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

84. Consider the following statements regarding One Stop Centre:

1. It is a centrally sponsored scheme of Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD), for addressing the problem of violence against women.
2. The scheme is funded through Nirbhaya Fund.
3. Social audit of 'One Stop Centre' is undertaken by civil society groups.

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

85. Which of the following released the report entitled 'Poverty and Shared Prosperity 2022: Correcting Course'?

- (a) World Economic Forum
(b) United Nations Development Programme
(c) World Bank
(d) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

86. Which of the following correctly defines Pasmanda?

- (a) Muslims belonging to Backward and Dalit castes
(b) Ancient trading practice adopted by Persian people
(c) Arabic term used for Refugees
(d) Artisans who weave Pashmina Shawls

87. Consider the following statements regarding INS Arihant:

1. It is India's first indigenous nuclear powered ballistic missile capable submarine.
2. It is armed with K-15 Sagatika missiles.
3. INS Arihant and its class of submarines are classified as SSBN (Ship, Submersible, Ballistic, Nuclear)

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

88. Consider the following statements regarding Interpol:

1. It was set-up as a secure information-sharing platform that facilitates criminal investigation of police forces across the globe.
2. It is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.

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

89. Consider the following statements regarding Kamikaze drones:

1. These are small unmanned aircraft that are packed with explosives.
2. These are also referred as "Switchblade".

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

90. Consider the following statements regarding Digital Banking Unit (DBU):

1. It is a specialised dynamic business unit set up by scheduled commercial banks.
2. DBUs will spread across all the States and Union territories.

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

91. Consider the following statements regarding Constitutional Provisions related to Governor:

1. Article 164 says there shall be a Council of Ministers to aid and advise the Governor.
2. As per article 200, the Governor can give or withhold assent or reserve the bill for the consideration of the President.
3. Article 213 provides for the promulgation of Ordinances by Governor.

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. Consider the following statements regarding Direct Benefit Transfer:

1. It's the process of directly transferring the subsidy amount and making other transfers directly into the account of beneficiaries.
2. JAM i.e., Jan Dhan, Aadhaar and Mobile are DBT enablers.

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

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

93. Consider the following statements regarding Aadhaar-enabled Payment System (AePS):

1. It is a bank led model which allows online interoperable financial transactions at PoS (Point of Sale) using the Aadhaar authentication.
2. It was taken up by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).

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

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

94. Consider the following statements regarding Chief of Defence Staff (CDS):

1. He is a three-star Officer who acts as the Principal Military Advisor to the Defence Minister on all tri-services.
2. He enjoys the rank of Secretary within the Department of Defence and his powers will be confined to only the revenue budget.

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

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

95. Consider the following statements:

1. Submarines can be classified into three categories i.e., Diesel-Electric Submarines (SSK), Nuclear-Powered Attack Submarine (SSN) and Nuclear-Powered Ballistic Missile Submarine (SSBN).
2. INS Arihant is a part of the Strategic Forces Command.

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

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

96. Consider the following statements regarding the Paris Agreement:

1. It was adopted in 2015,
2. It replaced the Kyoto Protocol which was an earlier agreement to deal with climate change.
3. It seeks to limit global warming to well below 2°C, preferably to 1.5°C, compared to pre-industry levels.

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

97. Consider the following statements regarding Aksai Chin:

1. The Johnson's line shows Aksai Chin under China's control.
2. McDonald Line shows Aksai Chin in erstwhile Jammu and Kashmir (now Ladakh).

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

98. Consider the following statements regarding Financial Action Task Force (FATF):

1. It is an inter-governmental body that sets international standards seeking to prevent international financial crimes that aid terrorism.
2. India has been a member of the FATF since 2010.
3. Its Secretariat is located at the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) headquarters in Paris.

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

99. Consider the following statements:

1. Lothal had the world's earliest known dock, which connected the city to an ancient course of the Sabarmati River.
2. National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) at Lothal, Gujarat is being developed as an international tourist destination.

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

100. Consider the following statements regarding Indus Valley Civilization:

1. Also known as Harappan Civilization, it flourished in the western part of South Asia, in contemporary Pakistan and Western India.
2. It was home to the largest of the four ancient urban civilizations of Egypt, Mesopotamia, India and China.
3. The people of Indus Valley Civilization didn't know the art of growing cereals.

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

101. Consider the following statements regarding Green Crackers:

1. These are defined as fireworks/firecrackers made with a reduced shell size, without use of ash, low usage of raw materials and/or additives such as dust suppressant.
2. These produce nearly 30% lesser noise when compared with conventional crackers.
3. They contain barium compounds which are used to get green colour.

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

102. With reference to the Official Language Committee, consider the following statements:

1. It is a statutory body.
2. Its duty is to review the progress made in the use of Hindi for the official purposes of the Union.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

103. Which one of the following articles states that "Hindi in Devanagari script shall be the official language of the Union."

- (a) Article 343 (b) Article 344
(c) Article 345 (d) Article 346

104. With reference to the Official Languages Act 1963, consider the following statements:

1. It empowers the Governor of a state to authorise the use of Hindi for the purpose of any judgement passed by the High Court of that state.
2. It provides that where any judgement is passed in any language it shall be accompanied by a translation of the same in English.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

105. With reference to the Minimum Support Price (MSP), consider the following statements:

1. It is a minimum price for any crop that the government considers as remunerative for farmers.
2. The mandated crops include 14 crops of the kharif season, 6 rabi crops and 2 other commercial crops.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

106. With reference to the Global Hunger Index (GHI), consider the following statements:

1. It is an annual report and each set of GHI scores uses data from a 5-year period.
2. The GHI is prepared by the World Health Organisation (WHO).
3. In 2022, India ranked 107 out of 121 countries.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

107. Consider the following statements about the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO):

1. It is a specialised agency of the United Nations.
2. World Food Day is celebrated to mark the anniversary of the founding of the FAO.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

108. Consider the following statements regarding Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012:

1. It casts the police in the role of child protectors during the investigative process.
2. A case of child sexual abuse must be disposed of within one year from the date the offence is reported.
3. Death penalty is not included under the purview of this act.

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

109. Consider the following statements regarding Minimum Support Price (MSP):

1. It is based on a calculation of at least one-and-a-half times the cost of production incurred by the farmers.

2. Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP) is responsible for recommending MSPs for mandated crops.

3. Both A2+FL and C2 costs are considered while recommending MSP.

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

110. Consider the following statements regarding G20:

1. The presidency of G20 rotates every year among members.
2. The agenda and work are coordinated by 'Sherpas' i.e., the representatives of the G20 nations.

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

111. Consider the following statements regarding Jim Corbett National Park:

1. It is located in Nainital district of Uttarakhand.
2. The core area forms the Corbett National Park while the buffer contains reserve forests as well as the Sonanadi Wildlife Sanctuary.

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

112. Consider the following statements:

1. As per three-language formula (Kothari Commission 1968), the first language will be the mother tongue or regional language and second language will be English in all Hindi and non-Hindi speaking states.

2. National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 emphasizes on making mother tongue, local language or the regional language the medium of instruction at least till Grade 5.

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 statements regarding Free Trade Agreement (FTA):

1. Goods and services can be bought and sold across international borders with little or no government tariffs, quotas, subsidies, or prohibitions to inhibit their exchange.

2. Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) isn't categorised as FTA.

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

114. Which of the following defines the meaning of the 'Kudumbu' generally referred to in the sources of the Chola Period?

- (a) A diary to be maintained for daily accounts.
(b) Categorization of village like modern day wards.
(c) House of the representatives of the village.
(d) A diary of land records of the villagers.

115. Which one of the following describes best the term 'Neerkatti' in Indian Ancient History?
- Person incharge of irrigation
 - Person incharge of taxation
 - Person incharge of administration
 - Person incharge of royal army
116. "Great Anicut of Kallanai" is located in which of the following states of India?
- Kerala
 - Tamil Nadu
 - Andhra Pradesh
 - Odisha
117. Consider the following statements regarding "Committee of Parliament on Official Language":
- It was set up in 1976 under Section 4 of The Official Languages Act, 1963.
 - The committee submits its report to the Parliament.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
118. Which of the following countries is/are part of Gulf Cooperation Council?
- Bahrain
 - Kuwait
 - Qatar
 - Oman
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 2, 3 and 4 only
 - 1, 2, 3 and 4
119. Project Dunbar & Project mBridge, recently in the news, are related to
- Cross-border Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDC).
 - Military exercises between Russia and Belarus.
 - Initiatives by China to improve its global image.
 - None of the Above.
120. Consider the following statements regarding the Competition Commission of India (CCI):
- It was created under the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act, 1969 (MRTP Act) and is now responsible for enforcing the Competition Act, 2002.
 - It is a quasi-judicial body.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
121. Consider the following statements regarding Biogas:
- Biogas is produced naturally through a process of anaerobic decomposition of waste / biomass sources.
 - Compressed Biogas is exactly similar to the commercially available natural gas in its composition and energy potential.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
122. Which of the following statements is not correct?
- The United Kingdom is an island nation in northwestern Europe.
 - The United Kingdom borders only one European Union member state: Ireland.
 - In 2020, the UK became the first country to voluntarily end its membership of the European Union.
 - None of the above.
123. The Russia-Ukraine war has resulted in a spike in the prices of crude oil. Which of the following is/are the consequences of this spike?
- India's current account deficit will widen.
 - The input costs for chemical and fertiliser industries will increase.
 - The state governments in India will be benefited more than the central government.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
124. The Government of India has announced the Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for which of the following sectors?
- Automobiles
 - Telecom
 - Pharmaceuticals
 - Drones
 - Metals and mining
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1, 3 and 4 only
 - 2 and 5 only
 - 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
 - 2, 3 and 4 only
125. Consider the following statements regarding pulses production in India:
- The production of rabi pulses in India accounts for a larger share of the total production than the kharif pulses.
 - Arhar, urad and moong are the major rabi pulses whereas chana and gram are kharif pulses.
 - Arhar, of all the pulses, is the most efficient in restoring soil fertility by fixing nitrogen from the air.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
126. Consider the following statements:
- The subject of 'relief of the disabled and unemployable' is specified in the concurrent list of the Seventh schedule of the Indian Constitution.
 - The Right of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 increases the quantum of reservation for people suffering from disabilities to 5% in government jobs and higher education institutes.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2

127. Consider the following statements:

1. PM 2.5 consists of fine aerosol particles measuring 2.5 microns or smaller in radius.
2. Common chemical constituents of PM2.5 include sulphates and nitrates.
3. Wildfires are a common natural resource for PM 2.5.

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

128. Consider the following statements regarding the Financial Action Task Force (FATF):

1. It was established by a G20 Summit in Paris.
2. Its Secretariat is located at the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) headquarters in Paris.
3. Countries that are considered safe haven for supporting terror funding and money laundering are put in the FATF Black list.

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

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

129. Under Article 293 (3) of the Indian Constitution:

- (a) The property and income of a State is exempted from taxation by the Union Government.
- (b) The State Governments that are indebted to the Central Government need to seek the consent of the Central Government before raising further borrowings.
- (c) All lands, minerals and other valuable things underlying the ocean within the territorial waters of India shall be held for the purposes of the Union of India.
- (d) None of the above mentioned provisions are there.

130. Consider the following statements regarding the Surrogacy (Regulation) Act, 2021:

1. Under this act, a woman who is a widow or a divorcee between the age of 35 to 45 years or a couple can avail of surrogacy.
2. It completely bans commercial surrogacy and allows only altruistic surrogacy.
3. It allows only those surrogacies where the surrogate mother is genetically related to those seeking a child.

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

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

1. In Vitro Fertilisation (IVF) is the most common and effective type of Assisted Reproductive Technology.
2. As of now, India does not have a specific legislation for Assisted Reproductive Technology.

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

132. With reference to the United Nations Security Council (UNSC), consider the following statements:

1. Under the council, ten non-permanent members are elected for a one-year term.
2. The council's presidency is a capacity that rotates every month among its 15 members.
3. Decisions are made by an affirmative vote of 9 members including the concurring votes of the permanent members.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

133. Consider the following statements about G-20 (Group of 20):

1. The presidency of the G20 rotates every year among members.
2. Presently, India is a part of the G20 Troika.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

134. With reference to the Shakti scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It was launched during the 15th Finance Commission period 2021-22 to 2025-26.
2. Samarthya and Sambal are its two sub-schemes.
3. Its objective is to put in place quality mechanisms for rescue, protection and rehabilitation of women in need of assistance and victims of crime and violence.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

135. With reference to the Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0, consider the following statements:

1. It seeks to address the situation of malnutrition only among children up to the age of 6 years.
2. The National Creche Scheme is one of the components of this scheme.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

136. Consider the following statements about the Economic Survey:

1. It is a report that the government presents on the state of the economy in the past one year.
2. It is prepared by the Economics Division of the Department of Economic Affairs (DEA) under the guidance of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
3. The central theme of the 2022 Economic Survey is the "Agile approach."

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

137. With reference to the One Sun One World One Grid (OSOWOG), consider the following statements:
1. India announced this initiative in partnership with the United Kingdom.
 2. It helps all nations to meet their energy requirements by 2030.
- Which of the statements above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
138. Consider the following statements:
1. Mission LiFE was introduced at COP26.
 2. It aims to mobilise at least one billion Indians and other global citizens to take individual and collective action for conserving the environment in the period 2022-28.
 3. With the launch of the Mission, the prevalent "use-and-dispose" will be replaced by a circular economy.
- Which of the statements above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 3 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 2 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3
139. Consider the following statements about Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI):
1. It is the Government of India's second major global initiative after the International Solar Alliance.
 2. The CDRI's Secretariat is located in New Delhi.
- Which of the statements above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
140. Consider the following statements regarding Blue Flag:
1. It is an exclusive eco-label or certification that is given annually to coastal locations around the world as a badge of environmental honour.
 2. Minicoy Thundi beach and Kadmat beach, both in Andaman and Nicobar, have been awarded the blue flag.
- 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
141. Consider the following statements regarding 'National Curriculum Framework (NCF)':
1. NCF is for foundational stage education of children in the three to eight years age group.
 2. It focuses on the 'panchakosha' concept.
 3. It recommended that mother tongue should be the primary medium of instruction in schools, both public and private, for children up to eight years of age.
- 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
142. Consider the following statements regarding Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit 2022:
1. Samarkand declaration signed by the member states advocated "commitment to peaceful settlement of differences and disputes between countries through dialogue and consultation".
 2. World Health Organisation (WHO) opened its first Global Center for Traditional Medicines in Gujarat.
- 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
143. Consider the following statements regarding Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC):
1. It advises the government on the removal of institutional barriers to bridge the demand supply gap.
 2. It is a statutory body functioning with quasi-judicial status under the Electricity Act 2003.
- 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
144. Consider the following statements:
1. Particulate Matter 10 (PM 10) are non-inhalable whereas PM2.5 are inhalable.
 2. The National Air Quality Index considers PM 2.5 and not PM 10.
- 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
145. Consider the following statements regarding United Nations Security Council's Counter Terrorism Committee (UNSC-CTC):
1. It was established in wake of the 9/11 terror attacks in the US.
 2. The committee comprises five permanent members i.e., China, France, Russian Federation, the United Kingdom, and the United States, but not the non-permanent members.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
146. Consider the following statements regarding Delhi Declaration on Afghanistan:
1. It was the first meeting of the Regional Security Dialogue on Afghanistan.
 2. The meeting composed of National Security Advisors' (NSA) of regional countries and chaired by the Indian NSA.
 3. It called for "urgent humanitarian assistance" to the Afghan people in the wake of withdrawal of US forces and the Taliban's takeover of Afghanistan.
- 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

147. Consider the following statements:

1. Governor is responsible for determining the time needed for a party to prove its majority.
2. There are no provisions laid down for the manner in which the Governor and the state must engage publicly when there is a difference of opinion.
3. There is no limit set for how long a Governor can withhold assent to a Bill.

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

148. Consider the following statements regarding C295 Aircraft Manufacturing in India:

1. C295 aircraft manufacturing plant has been set up in Bangalore.
2. It is the first project of its kind in which a military aircraft will be manufactured in India by a private company.
3. It will be the first time that C295 aircraft will be manufactured outside of Europe.

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

149. Consider the following statements:

1. Section 375 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) mentions that medical procedures or interventions shall not constitute rape.
2. Domestic Violence Act, 2005 hints at marital rape by any form of sexual abuse in a live-in or marriage relationship but provides only for civil remedies.

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

150. World Air Quality Report is prepared by which of the following organisations?

- (a) International Monetary Fund
- (b) Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
- (c) United Nations Environment Programme
- (d) None of the above

Answers

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| 1. (b) | 2. (c) | 3. (a) | 4. (c) | 5. (b) | 6. (b) | 7. (b) | 8. (d) | 9. (b) | 10. (b) |
| 11. (c) | 12. (c) | 13. (c) | 14. (b) | 15. (c) | 16. (c) | 17. (a) | 18. (b) | 19. (d) | 20. (d) |
| 21. (b) | 22. (a) | 23. (a) | 24. (c) | 25. (c) | 26. (a) | 27. (b) | 28. (c) | 29. (a) | 30. (c) |
| 31. (d) | 32. (d) | 33. (c) | 34. (c) | 35. (a) | 36. (d) | 37. (c) | 38. (a) | 39. (b) | 40. (a) |
| 41. (a) | 42. (b) | 43. (c) | 44. (b) | 45. (b) | 46. (b) | 47. (c) | 48. (d) | 49. (b) | 50. (c) |
| 51. (d) | 52. (b) | 53. (c) | 54. (d) | 55. (b) | 56. (b) | 57. (a) | 58. (b) | 59. (c) | 60. (b) |
| 61. (a) | 62. (d) | 63. (a) | 64. (d) | 65. (c) | 66. (a) | 67. (c) | 68. (a) | 69. (d) | 70. (a) |
| 71. (c) | 72. (c) | 73. (d) | 74. (c) | 75. (a) | 76. (d) | 77. (c) | 78. (b) | 79. (d) | 80. (c) |
| 81. (c) | 82. (c) | 83. (a) | 84. (d) | 85. (c) | 86. (a) | 87. (d) | 88. (a) | 89. (c) | 90. (b) |
| 91. (b) | 92. (c) | 93. (d) | 94. (b) | 95. (c) | 96. (d) | 97. (c) | 98. (d) | 99. (c) | 100. (a) |
| 101. (a) | 102. (c) | 103. (a) | 104. (c) | 105. (c) | 106. (c) | 107. (c) | 108. (a) | 109. (d) | 110. (c) |
| 111. (d) | 112. (b) | 113. (a) | 114. (b) | 115. (a) | 116. (b) | 117. (a) | 118. (d) | 119. (a) | 120. (b) |
| 121. (c) | 122. (d) | 123. (d) | 124. (c) | 125. (a) | 126. (d) | 127. (b) | 128. (c) | 129. (b) | 130. (d) |
| 131. (a) | 132. (b) | 133. (c) | 134. (d) | 135. (b) | 136. (a) | 137. (c) | 138. (d) | 139. (c) | 140. (a) |
| 141. (d) | 142. (c) | 143. (d) | 144. (d) | 145. (a) | 146. (b) | 147. (d) | 148. (b) | 149. (d) | 150. (d) |