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## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Immediately after the commencement of the examination, you should check that this test booklet does not have any unprinted or torn or missing pages or items, etc. if so, get it replaced by a complete test booklet.
2. This test contains 100 questions. Each question comprises four responses and you have to mark only one as the correct response. In case you feel there is more than one response, mark the one that you consider the best or the most appropriate.
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  - (a) If a student gives more than one answer to a question, it will be treated as wrong answer.
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5. After filling the responses, submit only the answer sheet. You can take away the question booklet.

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1. With reference to the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) 2019, consider the following statements:

1. It will not apply to the regions under the sixth schedule of the Indian Constitution.
2. Empowered Committee and District Level Committee (DLC), instituted by respective states, will process citizenship applications.
3. Areas covered by the Inner Line Permit (ILP) are exempt from the CAA.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

2. Who among the following was the chairman of the recently constituted High-Level Committee on Simultaneous Elections?

- (a) Ram Nath Kovind              (b) Madhukar Gupta  
(c) Arun Goel                      (d) P K Mohanthy

3. Consider the following statements with reference to Model Code of Conduct (MCC):

1. The MCC is operational from the date on which the election schedule is announced until the date of the result announcement.
2. The MCC does not have any statutory backing.
3. Karnataka was the first state to adopt a code of conduct for elections.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

4. Consider the following statements:

1. 'Bail' is well defined under the Criminal Procedure Code, 1973
2. Under judicial custody, the accused is considered to be in the custody of the police after an FIR is filed for a cognizable offence.
3. Bail is a temporary release where a person gets some time off from jail sentence to fulfill some requirements.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

5. With reference to Article 356 of the Constitution of India, consider the following statements:

1. Article 356 of the Constitution of India is based on provisions of the Government of India Act, 1935.
2. During the President's Rule, the state government is suspended, and the central government directly administers the state through the Governor.
3. The 44<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution, 1978 introduced constraints on extending the President's Rule beyond one year.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

6. With reference to parliamentary privileges, consider the following statements:

1. These privileges derive their constitutional validity from Article 105 of the Constitution of India.
2. Under these privileges, the members of Parliament are exempt from both civil and criminal liability for any statement made or act done in the course of their duties.

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. Recently in news, 'Low Carbon Action Plan (LCAP)' for waste and domestic wastewater sector has been initiated in which of the following states/UTs ?

- (a) Delhi  
(b) Bihar  
(c) Uttar Pradesh  
(d) Punjab

8. A cantonment board works under the administrative control of

- (a) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs  
(b) Ministry of Home Affairs  
(c) Ministry of Defence  
(d) Department of Personnel and Training

9. Consider the following pairs:

*Major inter-state river disputes*                      *Disputing states*

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|------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 1. Vamsadhara    | : | Andhra Pradesh and Odisha   |
| 2. Ravi and Beas | : | Punjab and Himachal Pradesh |
| 3. Mahanadi      | : | Odisha and Andhra Pradesh   |

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair
- (b) Only two pairs
- (c) All three pairs
- (d) None of the pairs

10. The unemployment arising from mismatches between the requirements of the jobs available in the economy and the skill possessed by the workforce is known as

- (a) Disguised Unemployment
- (b) Hidden Unemployment
- (c) Structural Unemployment
- (d) Cyclical Unemployment

11. Open Market Operations are related to

- (a) Sale and purchase of government securities to overcome unemployment
- (b) Increasing and decreasing repo rates to control liquidity in open market
- (c) Convertibility of currency and export favorability of domestic products in open market
- (d) Sale and purchase of government securities in open market

12. Consider the following statements:

1. Indonesia is the largest trading partner of India in the ASEAN region.
2. India and Indonesia are members of G20, East Asia Summit and the United Nations.
3. The Indian mythologies form a source of Indonesian folk art and dramas.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

13. Consider the following statements with reference to Vostro account:

1. A vostro account is an account that domestic banks hold for foreign banks in the former's domestic currency.
2. Russian banks have opened Special Rupee Vostro Accounts with partner banks in India for the settlement of payments in rupee for trade between India and Russia.
3. The Exchange Rate between the currencies of the trading partner countries would be market-determined.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

14. The city of Badami was formally founded by

- (a) Kirtivarman
- (b) Kubja Vishnuvardhana
- (c) Pulakeshin II
- (d) Tailapa II

15. The International Labour Organization (ILO) was established by

- (a) Treaty of Campo Formio
- (b) Sykes-Picot Agreement
- (c) Treaty of Lausanne
- (d) Treaty of Versailles

16. Consider the following:

1. Constitutional provisions
2. Various laws made by Parliament
3. Rules of both the Houses
4. Parliamentary conventions
5. Judicial interpretations

How many of the above form the basis of the parliamentary privileges applicable today?

- (a) Only two
- (b) Only three
- (c) Only four
- (d) All five

17. With reference to ‘Multiple Independently Targetable Re-entry Vehicle (MIRV) Technology’, consider the following statements:

1. MIRV allows a single missile to carry multiple warheads, each capable of targeting different locations independently.
2. MIRVs can be launched from both land-based platforms and sea-based platforms, such as submarines, expanding their operational flexibility and range.
3. The Agni-V missile is equipped with MIRV technology and features a redesigned nose cone to accommodate multiple warheads.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

18. With reference to Spiking Neural Networks (SNNs), consider the following statements:

1. It is a type of artificial neural network (ANNs) inspired by the human brain’s neural structure.
2. It uses continuous numerical values for processing data.
3. It uses patterns or timings of spikes to process and transmit information.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

19. Consider the following statements with reference to viruses and viroids:

1. Each virion contains a nucleic acid (DNA or RNA) core surrounded by a protein coat, and sometimes with a lipid layer whereas viroids consist of naked RNA without a lipid layer or protein coat.
2. Virus can infect a wide range of organisms including plants and animals whereas viroids primarily infect plant cells causing various diseases characterized by stunted growth and leaf distortion.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

20. Which of the following best describes ‘Obelisks’?

- (a) A virus-like entity composed of diverse DNA molecules that reside within the human body and the global microbiome.
- (b) A virus-like entity composed of diverse RNA like molecules that reside within the human body and the global microbiome.
- (c) A bacteria-like entity composed of diverse DNA like molecules that reside within the human body and the global microbiome.
- (d) A bacteria-like entity composed of diverse RNA like molecules that reside within the human body and the global microbiome.

21. The rivers Dhauliganga and Alaknanda meet at which of the following places ?

- (a) Dev Prayag
- (b) Karna Prayag
- (c) Rudra Prayag
- (d) Vishnu Prayag

22. Which of the following groups has countries exclusively from the ‘Horn of Africa’?

- (a) Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Somalia
- (b) Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Egypt
- (c) Sudan, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda
- (d) Sudan, Kenya, Tanzania, Burundi

23. With reference to Mahi River, consider the following statements:

1. It originates from Dhar district of Madhya Pradesh.
2. It drains into the Arabian sea through the Gulf of Kutch.
3. It cuts the Tropic of Cancer twice.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

24. ‘Yaounde Declaration’ is best associated with which of the following ?

- (a) A significant milestone involving multiple countries and global partners in the fight against malaria
- (b) A significant milestone bringing together South Asian countries in the fight against tuberculosis
- (c) An advocacy document relating to international human rights law on the dignity and asserted rights of LGBT people.
- (d) An international declaration underscoring the importance of primary health care.

25. Consider the following pairs:

<i>GI Tag</i>	<i>State</i>
1. Banglar Muslin	: Assam
2. Narasapur Crochet lace	: West Bengal
3. Kutch Rogan craft	: Maharashtra

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair
- (b) Only two pairs
- (c) All three pairs
- (d) None of the pairs

26. A river board for the regulation and development of inter-state rivers is established by

- (a) Supreme Court
- (b) Central Government
- (c) Committee of Governors of the states concerned
- (d) Committee of Chief Secretaries of the states concerned

27. With reference to the Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs), consider the following statements:

1. They can accept public deposits for a minimum of 12 months and a maximum of 60 months.
2. They do not form part of the payment and settlement system and cannot issue cheques drawn on itself and cannot accept demand deposits.
3. The RBI has the authority to lay down policy, issue directions, inspect, regulate, supervise and exercise surveillance over NBFCs that meet the 50-50 criteria of principal business.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

28. With reference to the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), consider the following statements:

1. It has two regional organizations as its members that is the European Union and the African Union.
2. Iran, North Korea and Myanmar are in the grey list of the FATF.
3. India joined FATF as an observer and later became a full member in 2010.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

29. With reference to Marine Biodiversity of areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ) treaty, consider the following statements:

1. It is being developed within the framework of the UNCLOS, the main international agreement governing human activities at sea.
2. BBNJ treaty encompasses the high seas, beyond the exclusive economic zones or national waters of countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

30. Which of the following best describes the water footprint of AI?

- (a) It is the amount of water used to generate electricity and provide cooling for the data centers that run AI models.
- (b) It is the amount of water that AI powered humanoid robots consume on a per unit basis for their operations.
- (c) It is the rainwater harvested using AI models.
- (d) It is hypothetical amount of water that will be used for electricity generation and data centers running AI models when AI models are optimized to near human brain energy efficiency.

31. With reference to the Archeological Survey of India, consider the following statements:

1. It was founded in 1861 by Alexander Cunningham.
2. It is the premier organization for the archaeological research and works under the Ministry of Culture.
3. Recently, new circles of the Archeological Survey of India has been announced in Jabalpur, Hampi and Rajkot.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

32. X was born in 1857 in modern day Gujarat. X completed his education in India, before moving on to teach Sanskrit at the Oxford University. X founded the India House in 1905 to sponsor students from India through scholarships. The organization also founded the "India House" in London, which served as the center of Indian nationalist activity. X was the founder of Indian Sociologist. Identify X.

- (a) Shyamji Krishna Varma
- (b) Madam Bhikhaji Cama
- (c) Virendranath Chattopadhyay
- (d) Madan Mohan Malaviya

33. Global Gender Gap Report has been released by  
 (a) World Bank  
 (b) World Economic Forum  
 (c) International Monetary Fund  
 (d) United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
34. With reference to the Ethanol 100, consider the following statements:  
 1. It is a biofuel produced from renewable sources such as corn, sugarcane, or other plant materials.  
 2. It is versatile and can be used in various vehicles, including flex-fuel vehicles (FFVs) that can run on gasoline, ethanol, or any blend of the two.  
 3. ETHANOL 100 reflects a shift towards sustainable technologies and decarbonization.  
 How many of the above statements are correct?  
 (a) Only one (b) Only two  
 (c) All three (d) None
35. Majuli island is on which of the following rivers?  
 (a) Ganga (b) Yamuna  
 (c) Brahmaputra (d) Teesta
36. Consider the following pairs:  

<i>Volcanoes</i>	<i>Country</i>
1. Taokuban Parahu	: Indonesia
2. Mount Etna	: Greece
3. Asosan	: United States of America

 How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?  
 (a) Only one pair  
 (b) Only two pairs  
 (c) All three pairs  
 (d) None of the pairs
37. Consider the following pairs:  

<i>Passes</i>	<i>Location</i>
1. Zojila pass	: Ladakh
2. Nathu la pass	: Sikkim
3. Lipulekh pass	: Himachal Pradesh

 How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?  
 (a) Only one pair  
 (b) Only two pairs  
 (c) All three pairs  
 (d) None of the pairs
38. With reference to the insolation received on the earth's surface, consider the following statements:  
 1. Maximum insolation is received over subtropical deserts.  
 2. At the same latitude, generally the insolation is more over the continent than over the oceans.  
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?  
 (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
39. Syzygy occurs when-  
 (a) Earth, sun and moon are aligned in a straight line.  
 (b) Earth, sun and moon are perpendicular to each other  
 (c) When the sun is nearest to the moon's surface.  
 (d) When the sun is nearest to the earth's surface.
40. Consider the following pairs:  

<i>Seismic discontinuities</i>	<i>Description</i>
1. Moho discontinuity	: Between outer mantle and core
2. Conrad discontinuity	: Between oceanic crust and continental crust
3. Repiti discontinuity	: Between crust and mantle

 How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?  
 (a) Only one pair (b) Only two pairs  
 (c) All three pairs (d) None of the pairs
41. With reference to earthquake, consider the following statements:  
 1. The shadow zone of P waves is larger than the S waves.  
 2. The intensity of an earthquake event is measured on the Richter scale.  
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?  
 (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
42. With reference to the Great Barrier Reef (GBR), consider the following statements:  
 1. The GBR is the world's largest coral reef system and is in the Coral Sea off the coast of Brazil.  
 2. It is a UNESCO World Heritage site and was inscribed in 1981.  
 3. In 2023, the UNESCO Heritage Committee has listed the Great Barrier Reef as a site "in danger".



How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

43. Consider the following statements:

1. The Criminal Case Management System (CCMS), an innovative digital platform that streamlines management of criminal cases, was inaugurated by the Ministry of Home Affairs.
2. The CCMS has been developed by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) in New Delhi.
3. The Sankalan app has been designed to navigate through new criminal laws as a bridge between old and new criminal laws.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

44. With reference to National Investigating Agency (NIA), consider the following statements:

1. It has the authority to investigate cases across state boundaries only by obtaining prior permission from state governments.
2. The Central government can also direct the NIA to investigate a scheduled offence, either within or outside India, on its own accord.
3. There is a special cell to deal with LWE (Left Wing Extremism) cases related to terror financing.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

45. With reference to recently signed Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA) between India and European Free Trade Association (EFTA), consider the following statements :

1. India and EFTA have agreed to exclude the most “sensitive” agricultural products and gold imports from the pact.
2. India includes sectors like dairy, soya and coal under tariff concessions while EFTA does not.

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. Consider the following statements with reference to the World Air Quality Report 2023:

1. The report has been released by Swedish organization IQAir.
2. India has been ranked as the most polluted country according to this report.
3. The report has labelled Begusarai in Bihar as the world’s most polluted metropolitan area.
4. Only three countries, New Zealand, Australia and Finland met the WHO annual PM2.5 guidelines.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) Only three  
(d) All four

47. Recently, Belgium became the first country in the European continent to recognize ‘Ecocide’ as national as well as international crime. The term ‘Ecocide’ is best explained by which of the following?

- (a) Creative accounting to divert the funds earmarked for environmental conservation projects to other commercial projects.
- (b) Human activities committed with knowledge of the significant likelihood of severe damage to the environment caused by it.
- (c) Large scale fossil fuel and coal consumption in the past to propel economic growth at the cost of environment by currently developed countries.
- (d) Large scale agricultural practices focused on maximizing crop yield without regard for environmental impact.

48. Consider the following statements with reference to nitrogen pollution:

1. In aquatic bodies, it leads to the creation of oxygen depleted zones called dead zones.
2. In drinking water, it can lead to blue baby syndrome in infants.
3. High concentration of nitrous oxide in the atmosphere leads to depletion of tropospheric ozone that protects earth from harmful UV radiation.

How many of the statements given above are correct ?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

49. Consider the following pairs:

<i>Groundwater Contaminant</i>	<i>Associated Disease</i>
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- |             |                       |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Fluoride | : Knock knee syndrome |
| 2. Arsenic  | : Black foot disease  |
| 3. Nitrates | : Methemoglobinemia   |
| 4. Cadmium  | : Ouch-ouch disease   |

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair                      (b) Only two pairs  
(c) Only three pairs                  (d) All four pairs

50. Consider the following statements with reference to state specific disasters in India:

- Once an issue is declared state-specific disaster the district collectors can directly intervene as chairman of the district disaster body.
- In 2024, Karnataka has declared Human-Animal Conflict as a state-specific disaster.
- As per the Disaster Management Act, no court other than Supreme Court has jurisdiction to entertain any proceeding regarding actions taken by authorities under the act.

How many of the statements given above are correct ?

- (a) Only one                              (b) Only two  
(c) All three                                (d) None

51. Consider the following pairs:

<i>Missile</i>	<i>Type</i>
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- |             |                                     |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Agni I   | : Intermediate-range cruise missile |
| 2. Agni III | : Short-range ballistic missile     |
| 3. Agni - P | : Nuclear capable ballistic missile |

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair                      (b) Only two pairs  
(c) All three pairs                      (d) None of the pairs

52. With reference to India's three stage nuclear programme, consider the following statements:

- In the first stage, heavy water reactors fuelled by natural uranium produce plutonium.
- In the second stage, a mix of thorium and uranium fuels the reactors.
- In the third stage, reactors are fuelled by a mix of plutonium and natural uranium.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                              (b) Only two  
(c) All three                                (d) None

53. Consider the following statements with reference to types of Large Language Models (LLMs) based on architecture:

- Autoregressive models like LaMDA and Gemini utilize a specific neural network architecture for language processing.
- Encoder-decoder models input text into a representation and then decode it into another language or format.
- Transformer-based models like GPT-3 predict the next word in a sequence based on previous words.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

54. With reference to Large Action Models (LAMs), consider the following statements:

- LAMs are specialized AI models built to perform specific tasks or sequences of actions, often beyond just understanding and generating text.
- LAMs can understand human intention and predict actions.
- These models are trained on datasets that include both linguistic information and action-oriented data.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

55. Consider the following statements:

- Genome sequencing is the process of determining the precise order of nucleotides within an organism's genome.
- Genome sequencing can help optimise drug selection, dosage, and treatment strategies leading to more effective and personalised therapies.
- Genome sequencing can be used to decipher the host-pathogen relationships in crops.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None



56. With reference to the International Labour Organization (ILO), consider the following statements:

1. It is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland and its existence predated the United Nations.
2. It was the first affiliated specialized agency of the United Nations.
3. It received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1969.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

57. Consider the following statements:

1. Article 23 of the Constitution of India states that no child below the age of fourteen years shall be employed in work in any factory or mine.
2. Article 24 of the Constitution of India regulates trafficking in human beings including trafficking for the purpose of forced labour, slavery or exploitation.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

58. Gender Inequality Index, 2022 has been released by

- (a) UNDP  
(b) World Bank  
(c) United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific  
(d) IMF

59. With reference to the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Act, 2021, consider the following statements:

1. The MTP Amendment Act, 2021 permits abortion from 20 to 24 weeks of gestation for specific cases like rape survivors, with approval from two doctors.
2. It sets up state level Medical Boards to decide if a pregnancy may be terminated after 24 weeks in cases of substantial fetal abnormalities.
3. It extends the failure of contraceptive clauses to married women only, allowing them to seek abortion services on grounds of their choice.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

60. Consider the following statements:

1. The GST council is a constitutional body under Article 279 (1) introduced by the 122<sup>nd</sup> Constitution Amendment Bill.
2. The GST council decides on the various rate slabs of GST.
3. Each decision made by the GST council must be approved by a majority of half of the members present and voting.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

61. With reference to the Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC), consider the following statements:

1. It is the same as a fiat currency and is exchangeable one-to-one with the fiat currency.
2. The digital fiat currency or CBDC can be transacted using wallets backed by blockchain.
3. Brazil has been the first economy to launch its nationwide CBDC.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

62. Consider the following pairs:

<i>Buddhist Council</i>	<i>Patronage of the Emperor</i>
1. First Buddhist Council	: King Ajatshatru
2. Second Buddhist Council	: King Ashoka
3. Third Buddhist Council	: King Kalasoka
4. Fourth Buddhist Council	: King Kanishka

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair                      (b) Only two pairs  
(c) Only three pairs                      (d) All four pairs

63. Consider the following statements:

1. The 61<sup>st</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act lowered the voting age for elections to the Lok Sabha and to the Legislative Assemblies of States from 21 years to 18 years.
2. The 69<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act led to the formation of National Capital Territory of Delhi.
3. The 105<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act reserves one third of all reserved seats for women in Lok Sabha and state legislative assemblies only.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

64. Consider the following books:

1. Philosophy of Hinduism
2. Annihilation of Caste
3. Sarvajaneek Satyadharma Pustak

How many of the above books are written by DR. B.R. Ambedkar?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

65. It is a zone of transition between the equatorial forest and the trade wind hot deserts. It is confined within the tropics. The belt includes West African Sudan and then curves southward into east Africa. The belt also includes parts of southern Africa north of tropic of Capricorn It is also known as Sudan type of climate. The climatic type is

- (a) Savanna climate  
(b) Mediterranean climate  
(c) Monsoon type of climate  
(d) Temperate continental type of climate

66. Consider the following rivers of India:

1. Narmada
2. Chambal
3. Cauvery

How many of the above rivers flow in a rift valley?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

67. Consider the following rivers:

1. Indus                              2. Chenab
3. Jhelum                            4. Satluj
5. Ravi

Arrange the rivers mentioned above from north to south-

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

68. Consider the following tectonic plates:

1. Cocos plate
2. Nazca plate
3. Caroline plate
4. Fuji plate

How many of the above are considered as major tectonic plates?

- (a) Only two                      (b) Only three  
(c) All four                      (d) None

69. Consider the following statements:

1. In convectional rainfall, precipitation is heavy but of short duration and there is minimum amount of cloudiness.
2. In orographic rainfall, the windward side receives higher rainfall than the leeward side .

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

70. With reference to Indian Ocean Dipole (IOD), consider the following statements:

1. It develops in the equatorial region of Indian ocean from April to May and it peaks in October.
2. A positive IOD is associated with drought like condition in the western Indian Ocean.
3. Australian bushfire is associated with positive IOD.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

71. Consider the following ocean currents:

1. Equatorial Counter current
2. Kuroshio current
3. Peruvian current

How many of the currents mentioned above are warm currents?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

72. With reference to tea plantation, consider the following statements:

1. Stagnant water is not required for tea, therefore, it is planted on slopes.
2. It requires rainfall of 45-50 cms.
3. The soil should be well drained loams rich in humus and iron content.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

73. The soil is highly fertile, deficient in organic content, phosphorous and nitrogen. It is rich in lime, iron, magnesium and alumina. It is highly clayey and impermeable. It is highly moisture retentive. Identify the soil

- (a) Red soil                      (b) Laterite soil  
(c) Arid soil                      (d) Black soil

74. Consider the following countries:

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|------------|------------|
| 1. Georgia | 2. Armenia |
| 3. Iran    | 4. Iraq    |

How many of the countries mentioned above share its borders with Turkey?

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|----------------|--------------|
| (a) Only one   | (b) Only two |
| (c) Only three | (d) All four |

75. Consider the following diseases:

1. Diphtheria
2. Pneumonia
3. Tetanus

How many of the diseases mentioned above are covered under DTP3 vaccine that serves as the standard indicator for immunization coverage worldwide?

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|---------------|--------------|
| (a) Only one  | (b) Only two |
| (c) All three | (d) None     |

76. Who among the following wrote the Aihole inscription?

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| (a) Ravikriti   | (b) Amoghavarsha |
| (c) Rajasekhara | (d) Nagasena     |

77. Which of the following is related to the NAMASTE scheme?

- (a) Promotion, facilitation and subsidy to promote tourism in Buddhist circuit
- (b) Digital platform to facilitate online teacher's training programme
- (c) Ensuring safety, dignity, and sustainable livelihoods for urban sanitation workers.
- (d) Providing housing facility and schooling to tribals

78. With reference to National Educational Policy (NEP), 2020, consider the following statements:

1. The 10+2 system was replaced by a new 5+3+3+4 curricular structure corresponding to ages 3-8, 8-11, 11-14, and 14-18 years respectively.
2. Teaching up to at least Grade 8 to be in mother tongue/regional language and no language to be imposed on any student.
3. By 2030, the minimum degree qualification for teaching will be a 4-year integrated B.Ed. degree.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

79. With reference to Self Help Groups (SHGs), consider the following statements:

1. SHGs are proper formal associations of people who choose to come together to find ways to improve their living conditions.
2. The SHG Bank Linkage Project launched by NABARD in 1992 is the world's largest microfinance project.
3. The Genesis of SHG in India can be traced to formation of Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA) in 1970.

How many of the above statements are correct?

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|---------------|--------------|
| (a) Only one  | (b) Only two |
| (c) All three | (d) None     |

80. Consider the following pairs:

- | <i>Valley</i>      | <i>Country</i>             |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Limi valley     | : Nepal                    |
| 2. Hunza valley    | : Afghanistan              |
| 3. Yosemite valley | : United States of America |

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

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|---------------------|-----------------------|
| (a) Only one pair   | (b) Only two pairs    |
| (c) All three pairs | (d) None of the pairs |

81. Consider the following statements:

1. India's National Housing Policy recognized shelter as a fundamental right and introduced community participation in slum improvement.
2. The 74<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act puts the responsibility for tackling housing and poverty in urban areas directly in the hands of local authorities.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

82. With reference to Non-Alignment Movement (NAM), consider the following statements:

1. The first NAM Summit Conference took place in Belgrade in 1951.
2. Recognition of the movements for national independence is one of the objectives for NAM.
3. India was a founder and largest member of NAM.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

83. With reference to the World Trade Organization (WTO), consider the following statements:

1. WTO is the only global international organization dealing with the rules of trade between nations.
2. The topmost decision-making body of the WTO is the Ministerial Conference, which meets every two years.
3. Afghanistan is the latest member of the WTO.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                      (d) None

84. Gneissoid, slate and schist are examples of

- (a) Igneous Rocks              (b) Volcanoes  
(c) Metamorphic rocks      (d) Sand dunes

85. Consider the following pairs:

*Intrusive forms of volcanoes*              *Shape*

1. Lopolith                                      :      Saucer shape
2. Sill    :      Wall like
3. Dyke    :      Sheet like

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair                      (b) Only two pairs  
(c) All three pairs                      (d) None of the pairs

86. Consider the following statements:

1. Fold Mountains are formed when sedimentary rock strata in geosynclines are subjected to compressive forces.
2. Fault mountains are formed as a result of tensile and compressive forces.

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

87. With reference to the structure of the atmosphere, consider the following statements:

1. In the troposphere, the temperature rises, as one goes upwards.
2. The stratosphere is the most ideal of atmospheric layers for flying aeroplanes.
3. Auroras are observed in the lower parts of the thermosphere.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                                      (d) None

88. Consider the following forces:

1. Pressure Gradient Force
2. Frictional force
3. Coriolis force
4. Gravitational force

How many of the forces mentioned above are the factors affecting wind movement?

- (a) Only one                                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only three                                      (d) All four

89. Consider the following conditions:

1. Hung assembly
2. Physical breakdown endangering state security
3. Deliberate violation of the Constitution
4. Allegations of maladministration in the state

In how many of the above-mentioned conditions is the use of Article 356 considered to be proper and valid?

- (a) Only one                                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only three                                      (d) All four

90. Consider the following statements:

1. Under the preventive detention law, the detention of a person cannot exceed three months without obtaining the opinion of an advisory board.
2. In the case of preventive detention, the grounds of detention should be communicated to the detenu.
3. The legislative power with regard to preventive detention is divided between Parliament and the state legislatures by the Constitution.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                                      (d) None

91. With reference to the Nordic Baltic Cooperation, consider the following statements:

1. The Nordic-Baltic cooperation is an informal regional cooperation bringing together five Nordic and three Baltic countries.
2. Sweden holds chairmanship of Nordic Baltic Eight (NB8) in 2024.
3. The main document of NB8 cooperation is called Birkavs-Gade Report that focuses on increasing coordination between NB8 and USA.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one                                      (b) Only two  
(c) All three                                      (d) None

92. Consider the following pairs:

<i>Geological heritage site</i>	<i>State</i>
1. Varkala cliff section	: Tamil Nadu
2. Weided Tuff	: Rajasthan
3. Kadan Dam	: Maharashtra

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair
- (b) Only two pairs
- (c) All three pairs
- (d) None of the pairs

93. With reference to PM SURAJ scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It aims to uplift the most marginalized sections of society and provide credit assistance to one lakh entrepreneurs from disadvantaged communities.
2. The National Safai Karamchhari Financial Development Corporation (NSKFDC) is the implementing agency for the scheme.
3. Credit support will be facilitated through banks, Non-Banking Financial Companies Finance Institutions (NBFC-MFIs), and other organizations, ensuring accessibility across the country.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

94. Indian Army participated in Exercise Lamitiye with defence forces of

- (a) Seychelles
- (b) Mongolia
- (c) Thailand
- (d) U.A.E

95. It is a method created by NASA. It grows plants in mist suspended indoors. It ditches soil, uses way less water and might even make healthier crops. Identify the method

- (a) Deep water culture
- (b) Aeroponics
- (c) Nutrient Film Technique
- (d) Ebb and flow system

96. With reference to the Ring of Fire, consider the following statements:

1. Most of the active volcanoes on the Ring of Fire are found on its western edge, from Russia to New Zealand.

2. Bolivia, Chile, Ecuador, Peru are some of the important places located in the ring of the fire.

3. The Ring of Fire has boundaries between several tectonic plates including the Pacific, Juan de Fuca, Cocos, Indian-Australian, Nazca plates.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

97. Consider the following pairs:

<i>Tribes practising shifting cultivation</i>	<i>State</i>
1. Muduwan	: Tamil Nadu
2. Koria	: Rajasthan
3. Garasia	: Uttar Pradesh

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair
- (b) Only two pairs
- (c) All three pairs
- (d) None of the pairs

98. Which of the following northeastern states is known as the Molasses basin?

- (a) Mizoram
- (b) Arunachal Pradesh
- (c) Nagaland
- (d) Manipur

99. Consider the following:

1. Long nights
2. Clouded skies
3. Calm and stable air

How many of the above-mentioned conditions are ideal for temperature inversion?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

100. Consider the following pairs :

<i>Plateau</i>	<i>Known as</i>
1. Tibetan Plateau	: Asia Minor
2. Mexican Plateau	: Mineral Store
3. Anatolian Plateau	: Roof of the world

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair
- (b) Only two pairs
- (c) All three pairs
- (d) None of the pairs





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