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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.
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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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4. You have to mark all your responses on the separate Answer Sheet (OMR Sheet).
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 Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), consider the following statements:

1. The principle of 'bail is rule, jail is the exception' is not applicable under UAPA.
2. It has death penalty and life imprisonment as highest punishments.
3. Under UAPA, both Indian and foreign nationals can be charged.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

2. With reference to the Electoral Bond Scheme which has been recently struck down by the Supreme Court, consider the following statements:

1. The bonds were only redeemable in the designated account of a registered political party.
2. Companies and individuals in India could buy the electoral bonds from the State Bank of India only.
3. An Individual could buy the bonds either singly or jointly with other individuals.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

3. Consider the following pairs of India's joint military exercises and participating countries :

<i>Military Exercise</i>	<i>Country</i>
1. Ekuverin	: Maldives
2. Nomadic Elephant	: Indonesia
3. Yudh Abhyas	: Nepal
4. Sada Tanseeq	: UAE

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

4. With reference to the Constitution of India, prohibitions or limitations or provisions contained in ordinary laws cannot act as prohibitions or limitations on the constitutional powers under Article 142. It could mean which one of the following?

- (a) The decisions taken by the Election Commission of India while discharging its duties cannot be challenged in any court of law.
- (b) The Supreme Court of India is not confined by the existing laws or statutes in the exercise of its powers to ensure justice to all parties.
- (c) In the event of grave financial crisis in the country, the President of India can declare Financial Emergency without the counsel from the Cabinet.
- (d) State Legislatures cannot make laws on certain matters without the concurrence of Union Legislature.

5. Which of the following committees is related to state funding of elections?

- (a) Ashok Dalwai Committee
- (b) Madhukar Gupta Committee
- (c) Jeevan Reddy Committee
- (d) Indrajit Gupta Committee

6. Consider the following statements with reference to the writ jurisdiction :

1. The writ jurisdiction of the Supreme Court is for the enforcement of fundamental rights only.
2. The Supreme Court cannot refuse to exercise its writ jurisdiction while a High Court may do so.
3. The writ of Mandamus cannot be issued against private individuals.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

7. Consider the following personalities:

1. Karpoori Thakur
2. PV Narsimha Rao
3. MS Swaminathan
4. Lal Krishna Advani
5. Bhupen Hazarika

How many of the above were the Bharat Ratna awardees of 2024?

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

8. India has a total of 42 UNESCO world heritage sites under the three categories of Natural, Cultural and Mixed. The only mixed site among these is
- Valley of Flower
 - Khangchendzonga National Park
 - Ajanta caves
 - Western Ghats
9. With reference to the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), consider the following statements:
- It was founded by Alexander Cunningham in 1861.
 - It works under the Ministry of Education.
 - Its activities include carrying out surveys of antiquarian remains, exploration and excavation of archaeological sites.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- Only one
 - Only two
 - All three
 - None
10. The Poorna Swaraj declaration took place on the banks of which river?
- Ravi
 - Chenab
 - Jhelum
 - Satluj
11. With reference to the University Grants Commission (UGC), consider the following statements:
- It became a statutory organization of the Government of India by an Act of Parliament in 1956.
 - The UGC operates under the Ministry of Education.
 - The Chairman is chosen from people who are not officers of the Central Government or any State Government.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- Only one
 - Only two
 - All three
 - None
12. Consider the following statements :
- DNTs (Denotified Tribes) are communities that were 'notified' as being 'born criminals' during the British regime.
 - The Idate Commission was established in 2014 with compiling a statewide catalogue of Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic tribes as one of its mandates.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
13. The REPLACE Campaign to eliminate industrially produced trans fats was started by
- WHO
 - UNICEF
 - UNESCO
 - FSSAI
14. With reference to the National Mission on Cultural Mapping, consider the following statements :
- Mera Gaon, Meri Dharohar Programme is a component of the National Mission on Cultural Mapping.
 - It is set up by the Ministry of Education.
 - One of its key functions is to create National Digital Inventories/Registers of art expression and artist communities/bearers of tradition.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- Only one
 - Only two
 - All three
 - None
15. With reference to the tableaux on Republic Day 2024, consider the following pairs :
- | <i>Tableaus</i> | <i>State</i> |
|--|---------------------|
| 1. Singchung Bugun Village Community Reserve | : Manipur |
| 2. Ima Keithel | : Arunachal Pradesh |
| 3. Millet Woman of India Lahari Bai | : Madhya Pradesh |
- How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?
- Only one pair
 - Only two pairs
 - All three pairs
 - None of the pairs
16. The World Inequality Report is published by
- International Monetary Fund
 - World Bank
 - World Economic Forum
 - World Inequality Lab
17. Which of the following is the latest addition to the UNESCO list of Intangible Cultural Heritage from India?
- Durga Puja in Kolkata
 - Garba of Gujarat
 - Kumbh mela
 - Sankirtana

18. With reference to seismic waves, consider the following statements:

1. P-waves can travel through solids, liquids and gases whereas S-waves travel through solids only.
2. The shadow zone of S waves is narrower than that of the P waves.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

19. Consider the following statements :

1. The first Indian Budget was presented by James Wilson in 1860.
2. The Railway Budget was separated from the General Budget in 1924 on the recommendation of the Acworth Committee Report.
3. The first full budget of independent India was presented by R.K. Shanmukham Chetty in 1947.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

20. Consider the following pairs :

<i>Budgets in Indian History</i>	<i>Presented by</i>
1. Black Budget	: Y B Chavan
2. Carrot and Stick Budget	: V P Singh
3. Epochal Budget	: Morarji Desai

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

21. Consider the following statements :

1. Free Movement Regime (FMR) with Myanmar was established in 1998 as part of India's Look East policy.
2. FMR allows cross-border movement up to 16 km without a visa.
3. The current India-Myanmar boundary was finalised with the Treaty of Yandaboo after the first Anglo-Burmese war.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

22. With respect to the Advisory Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court, consider the following statements:

1. The Supreme Court may refuse to tender its opinion sought by the President on questions of law or facts of public importance.
2. The opinion of the Supreme Court sought by the President in the matters of pre-Constitutional treaty is legally binding on the President.

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

23. Consider the following statements with respect to the Law Commission of India:

1. It is a statutory body under the Ministry of Law and Social Justice.
2. It is generally reconstituted after every three years.
3. The first Law Commission of Independent India was established in the year 1955.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

24. Consider the following :

- | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Article 16 (4A) | 2. Article 16 (4B) |
| 3. Article 330 | 4. Article 243D |
| 5. Article 243T | |

How many of the above Articles of the Constitution of India are related to the provision of reservation?

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

25. Employee's Provident Fund Organization is administered by

- (a) Ministry of Finance
(b) Ministry of Labour and Employment
(c) Ministry of Social Justice
(d) Ministry of Commerce and Industry

26. With reference to the Medical Termination of Pregnancy Amendment Act 2021, consider the following statements:

1. Termination of pregnancies up to 20 weeks in case of contraceptive method failure was allowed for unmarried women as well.
2. It allowed termination of pregnancies of more than 24 weeks in case of substantial fetal abnormalities subject to verification by two doctors.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

27. Consider the following statements:

1. World Wetlands Day is celebrated globally to commemorate the adoption of Ramsar Convention that took place in the Turkish city Ramsar.
2. Karnataka is the state with most Ramsar sites in India, followed by Tamil Nadu.
3. Magadi Kere Conservation Reserve, declared as Ramsar site in 2024, is a natural wetland that lies in Tamil Nadu.
4. As of February 2024, India has a total of 80 Ramsar sites.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

28. Which of the following best describes the phenomenon called “Pineapple Express”?

- (a) A tropical storm originating from the Atlantic Ocean affecting the East coast of North America.
- (b) A climate phenomenon characterized by prolonged periods of drought in tropical regions that grow pineapple.
- (c) An atmospheric river storm brings heavy rainfall to the western coast of USA.
- (d) A rare period of warm climate local conditions suitable for pineapple cultivation in southern parts of Columbia and northern parts of Venezuela.

29. With reference to the Convention on conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS), consider the following statements

1. The fourteenth Conference of Parties to CMS (CoP 14) was recently concluded in Samarkand, Uzbekistan.
2. India is a party to the CMS while USA, Russia and China are not parties to the convention.
3. Popularly known as Bonn Convention, it is an environmental treaty under the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP).

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

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

30. Consider the following statements with reference to the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity (UNCBD):

1. Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing (ABS) applies to the genetic resources covered by UNCBD as well as the traditional knowledge associated with these resources.
2. The Cartagena Protocol seeks to protect biological diversity from the potential risks posed by invasive alien species introduced to different local habitats by human activities.

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

31. Consider the following statements:

1. India’s first Dugong conservation reserve has been established in Tamil Nadu.
2. On their route to southern Africa, Amur falcons migrate to northwest India where focused protection measures have been taken in the state of Punjab.
3. The first Vulture Conservation and Breeding Centre (VCBC) in India came up in the state of Haryana.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

32. Recently in news, Typbar TCV is best described as

- (a) New type of control valve for temperature regulation in electrical power distribution grids powered by IoT (Internet of Things)
- (b) A clinically proven conjugate vaccine that has demonstrated long term efficacy against typhoid
- (c) A type of device used for measuring water pressure in deep sea explorations by submarine topography and contour mapping vehicles
- (d) A type of virus first discovered in the African country Malawi that causes rapid deterioration of immune system in humans as well as livestock

33. Which of the following statements is correct about Neuralink, a device that was recently in the news?
- It is a medical device that has been specifically designed to treat spinal cord injuries.
 - It is a wearable device that allows humans to communicate directly with remote robotic devices via satellite link.
 - It is an experimental device designed to enable brain communication between two people via direct neural linkage.
 - It is a device designed for brain computer interface technology that enables direct communication between brain and external devices.
34. Consider the following statements with reference to citizen-centric initiatives launched on the occasion of Supreme Court of India's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations:
- Digital Supreme Court Reports (Digi SCR) initiative aims to make available the Supreme court judgments issued after 2019 in free to access electronic format.
 - Digital Courts 2.0 aims to leverage Artificial Intelligence for real time transcription of court proceedings.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
35. Consider the following statements with reference to the Supreme Court of India:
- The Supreme Court has a greater jurisdiction than its predecessor the Federal Court of India which was established under the Government of India Act of 1935.
 - The original Constitution of 1950 did not mention anything on the number of Judges in the Supreme Court which currently stands at maximum sanctioned strength of 34 judges.
 - The Constitution provides for at least 35 years of age for a person to be appointed as a Supreme Court judge.
 - The proceedings in the Supreme Court are conducted exclusively in English.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- 1, 2 and 3 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 4 only
 - 1, 2, 3 and 4
36. With reference to the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), consider the following statements:
- The chairman is a former Chief Justice of India or a Supreme Court judge.
 - NHRC members hold office for a term of three years or until they reach the age of 70.
 - The commission has the power of a criminal court with judicial proceedings.
 - The functions of NHRC are mainly recommendatory in nature.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- Only one
 - Only two
 - Only three
 - All four
37. The term Brumation refers to
- Survival strategy of reptiles similar to hibernation
 - Method of high yield cocoa plantation in Ghana
 - Adaptation strategy against bromine pollution in marine animals
 - Process of studying and decoding ancient inscription
38. The motto of the Supreme Court of India is
- Dharmo Rakshati Rakshitah
 - Yato Dharma Tato Jaya
 - Satyameva Jayate
 - Service through impartiality and integrity
39. With reference to Dayanand Saraswati, consider the following statements:
- He was born in Gujarat and was originally known as Mool Shankar.
 - He founded the Arya Samaj in 1886 with Headquarters in Lahore.
 - He considered the Vedas as infallible and true original seed of Hinduism.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- Only one
 - Only two
 - All three
 - None
40. With reference to Olive Ridley turtles, consider the following statements:
- These are the smallest and most abundant of all sea turtles found in the world.
 - These are carnivores and are found in the Indian Ocean only.

3. Odisha's Gahirmatha Marine Sanctuary is known as the world's largest rookery of sea turtles.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

41. With reference to the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution of India, consider the following statements:

1. It was based on the reports of Bardoloi Committee formed by the Constituent Assembly.
2. It gives the tribals freedom to exercise legislative and executive powers through an autonomous regional council and autonomous district councils in the 7 northeastern states.
3. The governor is empowered to organize and re-organize the autonomous districts under the Schedule.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

42. Which of the following countries is the largest producer of millets in the world ?

- (a) India (b) China
(c) Nigeria (d) Sudan

43. With reference to the Food Corporation of India (FCI), consider the following statements:

1. FCI is a statutory body set up in 1978 under the Janta Party Government.
2. Effective Price Support Operations for safeguarding the interest of farmers is one of its objectives.
3. FCI has been nominated as an additional nodal Agency for procurement of pulses and oilseeds.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

44. Consider the following statements :

1. The national flag is 'unfurled' on Independence Day by the President of India symbolizing the blossoming of a new nation.
2. On Republic Day, the national flag is 'hoisted' from bottom to the top by the Prime Minister of India symbolising the rise of a new republic.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

45. With reference to Global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI), consider the following statements:

1. The index is designed to include both incidence as well as intensity of poverty
2. It was launched by the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI) and the Human Development Report Office of the UNDP.
3. The MPI monitors deprivations in 10 indicators spanning health, education and standard of living.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

46. With reference to Masala bonds, consider the following statements:

1. Masala Bonds are rupee-denominated bonds issued by Indian entities in overseas markets.
2. Development of integrated township or affordable housing projects are the only real estate activities where money raised through such bonds can be used.
3. Karnataka is the first Indian state to issue masala bond.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

47. Which of the following is best related to Goldin's U-curve?

- (a) Changes in income level and distribution as an economy develops
(b) Prevalence of Poverty and inequality in an economy
(c) Unemployment and inflation in a rapidly growing economy
(d) Female participation in the labour market of an economy over time

48. It is a martial art based on the ancient knowledge of the human body. It originated in Kerala during 3rd century BC to the 2nd century AD. It is one of the oldest fighting systems in existence. It is also considered as the father of modern Kung - Fu.

Which of the following forms of martial arts is described above?

- (a) Silambam (b) Sarit Sarak
(c) Thoda (d) Kalaripayattu

49. With reference to INS Sandhayak, consider the following statements:
1. The primary role of the ship is to carry out full-scale hydrographic surveys of ports, harbours and navigation channels.
 2. It was commissioned at Cochin Shipyard Limited.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
50. What is the proper order of the stages of budget enactment given below ?
1. Presentation
 2. General Discussion
 3. Voting for demand for grant
 4. Passing of Finance Bill
 5. Passing of Appropriation bill
 6. Scrutiny by department committees
- Choose the correct option from the code given below:
- (a) 1-2-3-4-5-6 (b) 1-2-6-3-5-4
(c) 1-2-5-6-4-3 (d) 1-2-6-5-4-3
51. With reference to Asian Development Bank (ADB), consider the following statements:
1. It was established in 1976 with India as a founding member.
 2. China is the largest shareholder of the ADB.
 3. It is headquartered in Beijing.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None
52. Consider the following:
1. International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)
 2. International Development Association (IDA)
 3. International Finance Corporation (IFC)
 4. Multilateral Guarantee Agency (MIGA)
 5. International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID)
- How many of the above form the World Bank?
- (a) Only two (b) Only three
(c) Only four (d) All five
53. Consider the following:
1. Galwan valley
 2. Hot springs
 3. Pangong lake
- Choose the correct order of above locations going from north to south from the code given below:
- (a) 2-1-3 (b) 3-1-2
(c) 1-2-3 (d) 1-3-2
54. With reference to the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs), consider the following statements:
1. There are 75 PVTGs in India.
 2. The maximum number of PVTGs is in Andhra Pradesh.
 3. PM JANMAN is a government scheme that aims at uplifting the PVTGs.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) Only one
(b) Only two
(c) All three
(d) None
55. With reference to India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor (IMEC) project, consider the following statements:
1. The proposed IMEC will consist exclusively of ships-to-rail network.
 2. It consists of two parts, namely the east corridor and the west corridor.
 3. The Indian ports to be connected are Mundra (Gujarat), Kandla (Gujarat), and Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust (Navi Mumbai).
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) Only one
(b) Only two
(c) All three
(d) None
56. The construction of six Scorpene class submarines by India took place with the technology transfers by which of the following nations?
- (a) Israel
(b) France
(c) United States of America
(d) Russia

57. With reference to Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), consider the following statements:

1. It was established in 1975 by 15 West African countries in Lagos, Nigeria.
2. The military regimes in Burkina Faso, Chad and Guinea have recently announced their immediate withdrawal from ECOWAS.
3. India has had long association with the group and currently holds observer status.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

58. Consider the following statements with reference to seaweed:

1. National Conference on Promotion of Seaweed Cultivation was recently held in Thoothukodi, Tamil Nadu.
2. Seaweeds are microscopic, unicellular, marine algae.
3. By absorbing excess nutrients, seaweed also acts as bio-indicator.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

59. Consider the following Multilateral Export Control Regimes (MECRs):

1. Australia Group (AG)
2. Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG)
3. Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR)
4. Wassenaar Arrangement (WA)

How many of the above MECRs is India a member of?

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

60. Consider the following statements with reference to the Supreme Court's 2017 verdict in KS Puttaswamy case:

1. Indians have a constitutionally protected right to privacy which is an intrinsic part of life and liberty under Article 21.
2. The right to privacy can be restricted by state action even without legislative mandate only if such action pursues legitimate state purpose and passes the proportionality test.

3. The proportionality test means that the state action restricting the right to privacy must be necessary in a democratic society and must be the least intrusive of the available options.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

61. Consider the following statements with reference to the recent Supreme Court verdict on Electoral Bond Scheme (EBS):

1. The purpose of curbing black money through the EBS was accepted as a reasonable restriction under Article 19 and thus as a legitimate purpose for restricting the right to information.
2. It ordered the State Bank of India to publish on its website the details of electoral bonds purchased by political parties after a specified date.
3. It quashed the amendment to Companies Act 2013 that exempted donations through EBS from compulsory declaration of donations above ₹ 20,000 by political parties.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

62. Consider the following statements:

1. Maharashtra Assembly has recently granted 10% reservation in education and government jobs to Maratha community taking the total reservation in state to 62%.
2. Every state can maintain a separate list of Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBCs), but union territories can have no separate list and use the Central list instead.
3. The Supreme Court in Indira Sawhney judgement, 1992 has fixed a 50% quota ceiling for reservations which can only be relaxed in certain exceptional cases.

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

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

63. Consider the following pairs:

Autonomous District Council (ADC) State

- | | |
|---------------|-----------|
| 1. Chakma ADC | : Mizoram |
| 2. Mara ADC | : Tripura |
| 3. Lai ADC | : Assam |

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

64. Consider the following ethnic groups:

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|------------|------------------|
| 1. Koli | 2. Pahari |
| 3. Brokpa | 4. Gadda Brahmin |
| 5. Gujjars | 6. Bakarwals |

How many of the above have been newly included in the list of Scheduled Tribes (STs) in Jammu and Kashmir by the Constitution (Jammu and Kashmir) Scheduled Tribes Order (Amendment) Bill, 2024?

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

65. Consider the following statements:

Statement I:

Constitution of a committee by a state of India to introduce and implement Uniform Civil Code (UCC) falls within the legal authority of the state government and cannot be challenged as ultra vires.

Statement II:

The concurrent list of the Seventh Schedule covers matters pertaining to UCC and as per Article 162 the executive power of the state extends to matters on which the state legislature has power to make laws.

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

- (a) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct, and Statement II is the correct explanation for Statement I.
(b) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct, but Statement II is not the correct explanation for Statement I.
(c) Statement I is correct but Statement II is not correct.
(d) Statement I is not correct but Statement II is correct.

66. Consider the following statements:

- Trans fats are cheap and easy way to extend the shelf life of food products, but they have been linked to harmful health impacts.
- Trans fats do not occur naturally and are produced industrially by partial hydrogenation of vegetable oils.

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

67. Consider the following Generative Artificial Intelligence (GAI) tools:

- | | |
|------------------|--------------|
| 1. LaMDA | 2. Magenta |
| 3. Flow Machines | 4. CoPilot |
| 5. Replika | 6. Melodrive |

How many of the above are primarily designed to deal with and produce music based on textual prompts?

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

68. Consider the following statements with reference to One District One Product (ODOP):

- ODOP was launched at the Central level by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- ODOP operates under the Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme.
- ODOP has been approved for all 36 districts of the state of Maharashtra.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

69. Consider the following statements with reference to Geographical Indication (GI):

- GIs are a type of intellectual property rights that provide assurance of authenticity to consumers and promote local community development.
- China is the leading country with most GI registrations, followed by France.
- In India, handicrafts and agricultural products combinedly constitute the majority of GI products.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

70. Which of the following best describes the term “selfing syndrome”?
- (a) An ecological imbalance caused by excessive self-pollination in plant populations
 - (b) A mechanism where plants avoid self-pollination to ensure genetic diversity
 - (c) A condition where plants favor self-fertilization and produce smaller flowers with less nectar
 - (d) A condition where pollinators limit themselves to one specific plant species
71. Consider the following factors:
1. Cost of cultivation
 2. Demand-supply situation for the crop
 3. Market price trends.
 4. Inter Crop price parity
- How many of the factors mentioned above are considered for recommending Minimum Support Price?
- (a) Only one
 - (b) Only two
 - (c) Only three
 - (d) All four
72. Which of the following departments is responsible for preparing the Union Budget of India ?
- (a) Department of Revenue
 - (b) Department of Expenditure
 - (c) Department of Financial Services
 - (d) Department of Economic Affairs
73. Consider the following statements:
1. RuPay is a payment system and financial services product developed by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).
 2. Mauritius is the first non-Asian country to issue RuPay card.
 3. Unified Payments Interface (UPI) is built over the IMPS (Immediate Payment Service) infrastructure allowing instant money transfer between any two parties' bank accounts.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) Only one
 - (b) Only two
 - (c) All three
 - (d) None
74. Open Market Operations are best related to which of the following?
- (a) Sale and purchase of government securities to overcome unemployment
 - (b) Sale and Purchase of government securities to adjust the repo and reverse repo rates
 - (c) Sale and purchase of government securities to manage convertibility of currency
 - (d) Sale and purchase of government securities to adjust rupee liquidity conditions
75. Consider the following funds with reference to the Budget of India:
1. Consolidated Fund of India
 2. Public Account of India
 3. Contingency Fund of India
- How many of the funds mentioned above are operated by executive action?
- (a) Only one
 - (b) Only two
 - (c) All three
 - (d) None
76. CAR-T cell therapy is primarily used in the treatment of which of the following diseases?
- (a) Cancer
 - (b) Tuberculosis
 - (c) Down's syndrome
 - (d) Hemophilia
77. Consider the following statements with reference to Green Hydrogen:
1. It is produced through the electrolysis of water using electricity from renewable sources.
 2. It can be used for Direct Reduced Ironmaking but cannot be used for Blast furnace Ironmaking route.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
78. With reference to Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunisation (GAVI), consider the following statements:
1. It was created in 2010 with the goal of creating equal access to costly and trusted European vaccines for children living African countries.
 2. Its core partners include the World Health Organization (WHO), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the World Bank and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.
- 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

79. With reference to Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR), consider the following statements:

1. It is a specified portion of the bank's total deposits that the banks are required to hold as cash with itself.
2. Banks don't earn any interest on money kept in the form of CRR.

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

80. Consider the following statements with reference to Government of India's fiscal deficit :

1. Fiscal deficit refers to the shortfall in a government's revenue when compared to its expenditure.
2. The government's revised estimates lowered the fiscal deficit projection for 2023-24 to 5.8% of GDP.
3. India's debt-GDP ratio has consistently remained in excess of 75% mark in the last two decades.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

81. With reference to High Altitude Pseudo-Satellite (HAPS), consider the following statements:

1. HAPS is a hybrid Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) powered by a combination of fuel cell and ethanol.
2. HAPS operates in the stratosphere flying at altitudes much higher than those of commercial airplanes.
3. It is being developed by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) - National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL).

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

82. Consider the following statements:

1. Drone Rules, 2021 classify drones based on their weight into a total of three categories namely Nano, Micro and Mini.
2. Digital Sky Platform acts as a national Unmanned Traffic Management (UTM) platform that implements 'No Permission no Takeoff' (NPNT).

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

83. Consider the following statements with reference to India's union budget:

1. Compared to 2022-23, the fiscal deficit as a percentage of GDP has decreased while the primary deficit as a percentage of GDP has increased in the estimates of 2023-24 and 2024-25.
2. 'Market Borrowings' and 'Securities Against Small Savings' have been the two biggest sources of deficit financing over the last two-three years.

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

84. Consider the following crops:

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|------------|---------------|
| 1. Moong | 2. Soyabean |
| 3. Bajra | 4. Niger Seed |
| 5. Sorghum | 6. Copra |

How many of the above crops are covered under Minimum Support Price (MSP) in India?

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

85. Consider the following statements:

1. The term 'budget' is not mentioned in the Constitution of India.
2. A demand for grant can only be made on the recommendation of President and is voted on only in the Lok Sabha.

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

86. Consider the following statements with reference to the Union government's AMRUT Scheme:

1. None of the tier 1 or Metro cities in the state of Uttarakhand have a draft master plan in place.
2. The city of Nainital relies on expired development plan and has no district level development authority.
3. Only eight cities in the Himalayan region currently have a draft master plan in place.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

87. Consider the following statements:

- Interim budget is presented by the government ahead of general election or when it is going through a transition period.
- Interim budget has no constitutional provision, and it is merely an executive arrangement to ensure continuity in the period between two governments.
- Interim budget can propose changes in the tax regime while a 'Vote on Account' cannot change the tax regime.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

88. Consider the following:

- Aadhar
- DigiYatra
- Account Aggregator (AA)

How many of the above are **not** considered key components of the Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) of India?

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

89. Consider the following statements with reference to the Interim budget 2024-25:

- The percentage increase in the capital expenditure outlay is higher than the percentage increase in the total budget's size.
- Compared to last financial year's revised estimates the allocations for food and fertiliser subsidies have been increased in the interim budget.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

90. With reference to Interim Budget 2024-25, arrange the following sources of income to the government in decreasing order of their percentage share in the total income:

- Income Tax
- Corporation Tax
- Goods and Services Tax and Other Taxes
- Borrowings and Other Liabilities

Choose the correct option from the code given below:

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

91. 'Paruveta Utsavam' is an annual mock hunting festival that is celebrated in which of the following states?

- (a) Odisha
(b) Telangana
(c) Tamil Nadu
(d) Andhra Pradesh

92. Consider the following statements with reference to Interim Budget 2024-25 :

- The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has the highest allocation among all the ministries.
- Among all the welfare schemes, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme has the highest allocation.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

93. Consider the following pairs with reference to the 'Maratha Military Landscapes':

<i>Fort</i>	<i>State</i>
1. Sindhudurg Fort	: Goa
2. Shivneri Fort	: Maharashtra
3. Gingee Fort	: Tamil Nadu

Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?

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

94. With reference to the National Action Plan for Toys (NAPT), consider the following statements:

1. It is a comprehensive plan launched by the Government of India in 2020.
2. The NAPT is being coordinated by the Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) and implemented by multiple Central ministries.
3. It has 21 action points across four broad themes.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

95. With reference to Bochasanwasi Akshar Purushottam Swaminarayan Sanstha (BAPS), consider the following statements:

1. BAPS temples are affiliated with the Swaminarayan Sampradaya, a Shaivite sect of Hinduism.
2. The doctrine of Swaminarayan Sampradaya is rooted in spiritual traditions of Indian as well as Egyptian, Chinese and Mayan civilizations.
3. The BAPS temple of U.A.E is built in traditional Dravidian style.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

96. Consider the following statements:

1. Khelo India Youth Games (KIYG) 2023 were inaugurated in January 2024 in Chennai.
2. Veera Mangai was the mascot of KIYG 2023 in honor of the Indian queen Rani Chennamma.
3. KIYG 2023 were held across various cities in Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

97. Consider the following statements:

1. Zygote is the early stage of development from the moment of fertilization up to 8 weeks of pregnancy.
2. The initial cell formed by the sperm and egg during fertilization is known as embryo.
3. Fetus is the later stage of prenatal development, starting from the ninth week until birth.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

98. With reference to inflation, consider the following statements:

1. Demand Pull inflation occurs by an increase in the production costs for goods and services.
2. Cost-push inflation occurs when the demand for goods and services exceeds their supply.

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

99. Consider the following statements :

1. The Schengen Agreement is a treaty originally signed by five European states.
2. Members of the European Union (EU) must join Schengen subject to technical requirements and have no option to opt-out.
3. Non-EU countries like Finland, Sweden and Croatia are part of Schengen through special association agreements.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

100. Coltan deposits were recently found in Kenya. Which of the following best describes coltan?

- (a) It is a rare gemstone highly valued and used in jewelry and ornamentation.
- (b) It is a type of volcanic rock used in cement and ceramic industry.
- (c) It is a precious mineral that contains niobium and tantalum.
- (d) It is a relatively rare fossil that gives insights into the geological history of earth.



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