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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.
- 3. Each question carries equal marks, i.e., 2 marks. However, there will be penalty for wrong answers. For each wrong response to a question, one-third of the total marks assigned to the question, will be deducted as penalty.
 - (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 Island Development Agency (IDA), consider the following statements:
 - 1. NITI Aayog has been mandated with the task to develop islands in a sustainable manner.
 - 2. The Home Minister of India acts as the chairperson of the IDA.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 2. With reference to the Vibrant Villages Programme (VVP), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a Centrally Sponsored scheme for development of districts performing poorly in Aspirational Districts Programme.
 - 2. The scheme functions under the Border Area Development Programme.

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
- 3. The 'GOAL Programme' was launched by the Indian government in partnership with Facebook to
 - (a) promote financial literacy among rural women.
 - (b) develop smart city infrastructure in urban areas.
 - (c) provide vocational training to unemployed youth.
 - (d) provide mentorship to tribal youth through digital mode.
- 4. With reference to Sixth Schedule of the constitution of India, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The autonomous districts under the schedule function outside the state's executive authority.
 - 2. Autonomous district councils consist of partly nominated and partly elected members.
 - 3. All states with tribals populations can have autonomous district council.
 - 4. Autonomous district councils can make laws on village administration and inheritance of property.

How many of the above statements are correct?

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

- 5. With reference to the 'Collegium System' of Indian Judiciary, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The constitution of India, explicitly mentions 'collegium system' for the appointment and transfer of Supreme court and High court judges.
 - 2. The power and structure of this system has evolved through judicial proceedings.

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
- 6. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. A person confined in a prison or in the lawful custody of police shall not be allowed to vote in any election.
 - 2. The prohibition to vote applies to a person subjected to preventive detention under any current law.

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. With reference to Elections, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Election candidates set up by unrecognised parties and independents need to be subscribed to by at least 20 proposers.
 - 2. No election can be called into question except by an election petition within the concerned High Court.
 - 3. An elector above the age of 25 years can contest the Lok Sabha election from any constituency in India.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 2 and 3 only
- 8. With reference to 'First Past the Post System', consider the following statements:
 - 1. Under this system of elections, the candidate with the highest number of votes is declared winner.
 - 2. A candidate must secure at least half of the votes polled in the election to be declared as winner.
 - 3. Elections of Lok Sabha and State Legislative Assemblies are conducted using this system.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

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



- 9. With reference to the Public Accounts Committee (PAC), consider the following statements:
 - 1. As per the constitution of India, PAC is typically chaired by the leader of opposition in the house.
 - 2. It presently comprises 22 members elected solely from the Lok Sabha with a term of one year only.
 - 3. The Chairman of the Committee is appointed by the Speaker of Lok Sabha.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 10. With reference to Civilian Awards in India, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Padma Vibhushan is India's highest civilian award, and it was instituted in 1954.
 - 2. Padma awards are recommended by a committee constituted by the Prime Minster of India.

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. With reference to Inheritance Tax, consider the following statements:
 - 1. In India, the concept of levying tax on inheritance does not exist now.
 - 2. Most European and American nations levy inheritance tax.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 12. The asset reconstruction companies or ARCs are registered under the RBI and regulated under which of the following acts?
 - (a) SARFAESI Act, 2002
 - (b) Companies Act, 2013
 - (c) Banking Regulation Act, 1949
 - (d) Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934
- 13. With reference to Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC), consider the following statements:
 - 1. CBDC is a legal tender issued by the central bank in digital form.
 - 2. India has become the first country ever to launch its own CBDC.
 - 3. CBDC can be transacted using wallets backed by blockchain.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 14. Consider the following:
 - 1. Income from Liquidity Adjustment Facility (LAF) operations
 - 2. Higher dividends from public sector banks
 - 3. Rupee appreciation against dollar

How many of the above are responsible for increasing surplus of the Reserve Bank of India?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 15. With reference to classification of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSE), consider the following statements:
 - 1. Navratna Scheme was introduced before the Maharatna Scheme
 - 2. It is essential criteria for a CPSE to have 'Navratna' status to be considered for the 'Maharatna' status.
 - 3. Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) is a Maharatna CPSE.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 2 and 3 only
- 16. With reference to the Indian Tobacco Board, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a statutory body formed under the Tobacco Board Act, 1975.
 - 2. It is headquartered at Guntur, Andhra Pradesh.
 - 3. Gujarat is the largest producer of tobacco in India. Which of the above given statements is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 17. With reference to the WTO Agreement on Agriculture, consider the following:
 - 1. Subsidies for inputs such as fertilisers, seeds and minimum support price are included in the Amber Box Subsidies.
 - 2. Signatories to the agreement on agriculture are required to commit to reducing domestic support.
 - 3. At present, there are no limits on spending on blue box subsidies.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

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

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- 18. Shahid Beheshti and Shahid Kalantari often seen in the news are associated with which of the following?
 - (a) These are ports under Chabahar Port project
 - (b) These are newly discovered oil fields in the Persian Gulf
 - (c) These are newly established free trade zones in Iran
 - (d) These are military bases in the Strait of Hormuz
- 19. Consider the following pairs:

Colour Type of Passport

1. Blue – All Indian citizens

2. White - Diplomats

3. Orange – Government officials

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(a) Only one

(b) Only two

(c) All three

- (d) None
- 20. With reference to Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), consider the following statements:
 - 1. $1/3^{rd}$ of the members of FSSAI must be women.
 - 2. FSSAI operates under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.

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
- 21. Consider the following States/UTs:
 - 1. Gujarat

2. Delhi

3. Haryana

4. Rajasthan

The Aravalli range of Northwestern India passes through how many of the above States/UTs?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- 22. Consider the following:
 - 1. Promoting algal growth in the Ocean
 - 2. Placing giant mirrors in outer space
 - 3. Painting the roof of the building bright white
 - 4. Pulverization of silicate rocks

How many of the above are actions associated with implementing geo-engineering methods?

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

- 23. A phenomenon called the 'South Atlantic Anomaly', has intrigued and concerned scientists for years. What is it associated with?
 - (a) Increase in ocean temperatures in the South Atlantic region.
 - (b) Unusual seismic activity along the Mid-Atlantic Ridge.
 - (c) Expanding weak spot in the earth's magnetic field
 - (d) Frequent cyclones in the Southern Hemisphere.
- 24. With reference to Anti-cyclones, consider the following statements:
 - 1. These are areas of high atmospheric pressure, unlike cyclones.
 - 2. Anticyclones bring calm and stable weather with clear skies.
 - 3. Winds blow clockwise around anticyclones in the southern hemisphere.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 3 only
- 25. With reference to Sundarbans, consider the following statements:
 - 1. They host the largest mangrove forest in the world.
 - 2. It is in the tentative list of the World Heritage List of UNESCO.
 - 3. This zone has a rich blend of habitats since it's an ecotone.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only
- 26. Thrombosis with Thrombocytopenia Syndrome (TTS) was recently seen in the news for which of the following reasons?
 - (a) A side effect observed in individuals who have received Covid-19 vaccines
 - (b) A new variant of the malaria parasite causing severe illness
 - (c) A genetic mutation found in certain populations leading to blood clotting disorders
 - (d) An adverse reaction to a widely used antibiotic in the treatment of tuberculosis



- 27. In cases of xenotransplantation, where organs from animals are transplanted into humans, the organs of this particular animal are commonly used. Recently, the heart of this animal was transplanted into a human. Which animal is it?
 - (a) Cow
- (b) Pig
- (c) Goat
- (d) Rabbit
- 28. With reference to the X chromosome, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Females typically have only one X chromosome and are more likely to express the mutations and develop an X chromosome related disease.
 - 2. It plays a crucial role in sex determination and carries genes essential for bodily functions.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 29. With reference to the World Economic Forum (WEF), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is an inter-governmental organisation headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.
 - 2. Global Gender Gap Report and Energy Transition Index are released by WEF.

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. Recently, Telangana's Department of Heritage discovered a hoard of 3,730 lead coins in an earthen pot at a renowned Buddhist heritage site located near Hyderabad. Which site is it?
 - (a) Phanigiri
- (b) Keeladi
- (c) Juna Khatiya
- (d) Vadnagar
- 31. With reference to Gautam Buddha, consider the following statements:
 - 1. He has been addressed as Bhagavat in various Buddhist texts.
 - 2. Vardhaman Mahavir and king Ajatshatru were his contemporaries.
 - 3. Bodhi Temple is the location where Lord Buddha is said to have attained enlightenment.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

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

- 32. She was a young freedom fighter and an active member of the Indian National Congress (INC) from Assam. She was shot at the age of 12 by the British in 1942, during the Quit India Movement when she and some freedom fighters tried to unfurl the Tricolor atop a police station in Assam. Who was she?
 - (a) Tileswari Koch
 - (b) Rani Gaidinliu
 - (c) Pritilata Waddedar
 - (d) Kalpana Datta
- 33. With reference to the river Cauvery and its tributaries consider the following statements:
 - Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve and Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary are located in Cauvery basin.
 - 2. Bhavanisagar Dam is located in one of the main tributaries of the Cauvery River.

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
- 34. Consider the following pairs:

Martial arts Region 1. Huyen Langlon – Assam 2. Gatka – Haryana

3. Silambam – Kerala

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 35. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The constitution of India prohibits the employment of children under the age of 14 in factories, mines or hazardous occupations.
 - 2. India has ratified the convention no. 182 of International Labour Organisation which deals with the worst forms of child labour.

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

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- 36. Consider the following statement with reference to Tribal Population in India:
 - In India, nearly one third of all tribal groups are included in Particularly Vulnerable Tribal groups (PVTG) list.
 - 2. Among the listed PVTGs, the highest number are found in Madhya Pradesh.
 - 3. Dhebar Commission is associated with tribal population in India.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only
- 37. 'Zero FIR' is often mentioned in the news with reference to crimes. What is Zero FIR?
 - (a) It allows victims to file complaints at any police station regardless of the crime's location.
 - (b) It is a special type of FIR that can only be filed online through a designated portal.
 - (c) It is an FIR that is filed by the police without the need for any formal complaint from the victim.
 - (d) It is an FIR that is used exclusively for cases involving financial fraud or cyber-crimes.
- 38. Khanij Bidesh India Limited (KABIL), is a joint venture of Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) under the Ministry of Mines. In this context, consider the following:
 - 1. Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited
 - 2. National Aluminium Company Limited
 - 3. Hindustan Copper Limited

Which of the above PSUs is/are included in the group of PSUs making up KABIL?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 39. Consider the following countries:
 - 1. Kazakhstan
 - 2. Uzbekistan
 - 3. Turkemenistan
 - 4. Kyrgyzstan

Which of the above countries share a border with both Aral Sea and Caspian Sea?

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

- 40. With reference to Vallabhacharya, consider the following statements:
 - 1. He propounded the philosophy of qualified monism.
 - 2. He founded a Krishna centered sect known as the 'Pushti sect'
 - 3. He discarded the Vedic texts and was indifferent towards them.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 41. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Cotton Corporation of India undertakes the Minimum Support Price operations for cotton to safeguard interest of farmers.
 - 2. Khadi and Village Industries Commission is the sole statutory body authorised to manufacture Indian national flags.

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. 'The state of Global Climate' report is published by which of the following organisations?
 - (a) United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
 - (b) Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
 - (c) International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)
 - (d) World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
- 43. Consider the following pairs:

	Wildlife sanctuary		Location
1.	Kalesar	_	Haryana
2.	Tale Valley	_	Arunanchal Pradesh
3.	Debrigarh	_	Odisha

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

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

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44. Consider the following pairs:

S. No.	Location	Region	Reasons for being in news
1	Chetumal bay	Near Mexico	World's deepest blue hole
2	Darien gap	Panama and Columbia	Forest fires
3	Darfur	Sudan	Hunger crisis

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) One pair only
- (b) Two pairs only
- (c) All three pairs
- (d) None of the pairs
- 45. 'Aralkum desert' often heard in the news roughly corresponds to which of the following regions?
 - (a) Central Asia
- (b) North America
- (c) Northern Africa
- (d) Western Australia
- 46. Consider the following animals:
 - 1. Golden Langur
- 2. Lion-tailed macaque
- 3. Gaur
- 4. Pygmy hog

How many of the above species are not found in the southern part of India?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- 47. With reference to Sovereign Gold Bond (SGB), consider the following statements:
 - 1. Universities, Trusts and Charitable institutions are not allowed to buy SGBs.
 - 2. Interest earned on SGBs is exempt from Income Tax.
 - 3. The Capital gains tax arising on redemption of SGB to an individual is taxed as long-term capital gains.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 48. With reference to National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It includes 12 pollutants including lead, nickel and pyrene.
 - 2. The standard for ambient air quality is set by the Central Pollution Control Board.

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

- 49. MISHTI scheme was launched under Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change on the occasion of World Environment Day i.e., 5th June 2023. What is MISHTI related to?
 - (a) Conservation of Endangered Species
 - (b) Development of Mangroves
 - (c) Promotion of Solar Energy
 - (d) Clean Air Initiatives
- 50. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. International companies can participate in the auctions related to coal sector in India.
 - 2. The commercial mining of coal is allowed in India.
 - 3. India has the largest coal reserves in the world.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 51. With reference to the Indus Valley Civilisation, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Indus valley people were not aware of any other metal besides copper.
 - 2. Indus valley civilization was larger than its contemporary urban civilization in Egypt.
 - 3. Indus valley people had a language but no script.

How many of the above given statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 52. Consider the following states:
 - 1. Arunachal Pradesh
 - 2. Manipur
 - 3. Sikkim

How many of the above states are covered under the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution of India for administration of tribal areas?

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



- 53. With reference to the Directive Principles of State Policy (DPSP), consider the following statements:
 - This feature has been taken from the Irish constitution.
 - 2. The constitution classifies DPSPs as socialistic, Gandhian and Liberal intellectual principles.
 - 3. As per Article 36 of the Indian constitution, they are justiciable and enforceable in courts.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only
- 54. In which of the following cases, the Supreme Court held that 'the Indian Constitution is founded on the bedrock of the balance between the Fundamental Rights and the Directive Principles'?
 - (a) Golaknath v. State of Punjab
 - (b) Kesavananda Bharati v. State of Kerala
 - (c) Shankari Prasad v. Union of India
 - (d) Minerva Mills v. Union of India
- 55. With reference to the Enforcement Directorate (ED), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is under the administrative control of the Department of Revenue under the Ministry of Finance.
 - 2. Unlike the Central Bureau of Investigation, ED does not have statutory functions.

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
- 56. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Bail and Parole are granted by a judge whereas Probation is granted by a Probation Board.
 - 2. Offenders who are not citizens of India cannot be granted parole.

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
- 57. With reference to Inter-Services Organisation Act 2023, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The superintendence of an Inter-services Organisation is vested in the central government.
 - 2. The law is applicable to all regular Army, Navy, and Air Force personnel.

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. Consider the following:
 - 1. Coniferous tree
 - 2. Requires no sun exposure
 - 3. Hardy and drought resistant
 - 4. Critically endangered under IUCN red list.

With reference to Chir Pine tree, which of the above facts are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 1 and 4 only
- (d) 1 and 3 only
- 59. With reference to Gallantry Awards, consider the following statements:
 - 1. They are announced on Republic Day and Independence Day every year.
 - 2. Ashok chakra is the highest in the order of precedence of various Gallantry awards.
 - 3. They are given for war time as well as peace time. Which of the above given statements is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only
- 60. With reference to Asset Reconstruction Companies (ARCs), consider the following statements:
 - 1. ARCs are required to have a minimum capital of
 - 2. ARCs are allowed to invest in short-term instruments like money market mutual funds and certificates of deposits.

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
- 61. With reference to the Indian economy, consider the following statements:
 - 1. An increase in the Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (NEER) indicates the depreciation of the rupee.
 - An increase in the Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER) indicates an improvement in trade competitiveness.

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

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- 62. With refence to Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA), consider the following statements:
 - 1. IREDA is a Mini Ratna company under the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.
 - 2. IREDA plays a key role in renewable energy project financing.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 63. Which of the following states is the top Cocoa producing state in India?
 - (a) Andhra Pradesh
 - (b) Uttarakhand
 - (c) Maharshtra
 - (d) Himachal Pradesh
- 64. With reference to the World Trade Organization (WTO), consider the following statements:
 - 1. The WTO treaty was formally ratified in the Uruguay round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).
 - 2. WTO is headquartered in Rome, Italy.
 - 3. India is a part of G33 nations which is sometimes seen in the news in context of WTO.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 65. Consider the following pairs:

	Port city		Country
1.	Haifa	-	UAE
2.	Haradh	-	Israel
3.	Al Ghuwaifat	-	Saudi Arabia

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 66. Kalapani Region is sometimes seen in the news in context of
 - (a) Border dispute
 - (b) Space exploration
 - (c) Marine biodiversity
 - (d) Ancient civilization excavations

- 67. Consider the following countries:
 - 1. Iran
- 2. Israel
- 3. Iraq
- 4. Syria

Arrange the above given countries in East to West direction.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1-2-3-4
- (b) 2-1-3-4
- (c) 2-4-3-1
- (d) 1-3-4-2
- 68. Consider the following marine bodies:
 - 1. English Channel
 - 2. Irish Sea
 - 3. Bristol Channel

Arrange the above given marine bodies in North to South direction.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1-2-3
- (b) 2-1-3
- (c) 2-3-1
- (d) 1-3-2
- 69. With reference to Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC), consider the following statements:
 - 1. CAC is an international body established jointly by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO).
 - 2. It is concerned with marine pollution and the problem of microbeads in ocean beds.
 - India became the member of Codex Alimentarius in 2024.

Which of the above given statements are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 70. Consider the following states:
 - 1. Karnataka
- 2. West Bengal
- 3. Assam
- 4. Tamil Nadu
- 5. Kerela

How many of the above states have tea growing regions?

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

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- 71. With reference to Geomagnetic Storm, consider the following statements:
 - A geomagnetic storm refers to the disruptions to the Earth's magnetic field caused by solar emissions.
 - These storms can hit operations of spacedependent services like Global Positioning Systems (GPS), Aircraft flights and space exploration programmes.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 72. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Auroras are completely absent in the Southern hemisphere due to weak geomagnetic force.
 - 2. Indian Astronomical Observatory is situated at Hanle, Ladakh.
 - 3. Auroras contain gases like Nitrogen and Oxygen. Which of the above given statements is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only
- 73. Consider the following:
 - 1. Non enveloped
 - 2. Double stranded
 - 3. DNA virus

How many of the above are characteristics of Adenoviruses?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 74. With reference to Ikshvaku Dynasty, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The kings of this dynasty were antagonist towards Buddhism.
 - 2. Ikshvaku kings were contemporaries of Pratihara dynasty and took part in the tripartite struggle for Kannauj.

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
- 75. Consider the following pairs:

Indus Valley Sites 1. Juna Khatiya – Rajasthan 2. Dholavira – Gujrat 3. Kalibangan – Haryana

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 76. With reference to Vesara style of temple architecture, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Temples in Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh are prominent examples of this type of architecture.
 - 2. The Hoysala dynasty built several temples showcasing this form of temple architecture.

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
- 77. Located in the Nilgiri hills, this area was explored in 1847 by the botanist Robert Wight. Bhavani River, a tributary of Kaveri River, and Kunthipuzha River, a tributary of Bharathappuzha river, originate in the vicinity of this protected area. Which National Park is it?
 - (a) Silent Valley National Park
 - (b) Bandipur National Park
 - (c) Periyar National Park
 - (d) Mudumalai National Park
- 78. What value of Total Fertility Rate (TFR) is generally considered as the replacement rate in population?
 - (a) 2.0
- (b) 2.1
- (c) 2.5
- (d) 3.0
- 79. 'Jarwas' and 'Onges' sometimes seen in the news are related to
 - (a) Marine species
 - (b) Mountain ranges
 - (c) Traditional dance forms
 - (d) Tribal groups
- 80. With reference to Border Road organisation (BRO), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It works under the administrative control of the Ministry of Defence.
 - 2. The BRO is tasked with construction of Shinkun La Tunnel, which will become the world's highest tunnel once completed.

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

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- 81. With reference to Delimitation of constituencies, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It includes determining the seats to be reserved for Scheduled Castes (SC) and Scheduled Tribes (ST) in the legislatures.
 - 2. The first delimitation exercise was carried out by the President of India in 1950-51.
 - 3. Delimitation includes adjusting the number of seats based on population changes.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 2 and 3 only
- 82. Consider the following pairs:

Type of Hydrogen

Description

- 1. Green Hydrogen
- Made using renewable energy as an energy source
- Pink Hydrogen Produced from hydrocarbons
- 3. Blue hydrogen Made using nuclear power as an energy source

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 83. With reference to Corals, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Corals are absent at depths exceeding 100 meters as they prefer shallow water.
 - 2. Most of the world's coral reefs are in temperate waters.
 - 3. Sundarbans have India's largest coral reefs.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) None
- 84. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Right to health and right to clean environment are fundamental rights in India.
 - 2. The constitution of India stipulates that every citizen of India shall have the duty to protect and improve the natural environment.

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

- 85. With reference to Stand Up India Scheme, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It facilitates bank loans between Rs. 10 Lakh and 10 Crore.
 - 2. Loans under this scheme are not given for brownfield projects.
 - 3. It aims to promote entrepreneurship among the scheduled caste and schedule tribes.

Which of the above given statements are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only
- 86. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojna (PMJDY), consider the following statements:
 - 1. Overdraft up to Rs. 10,000 is allowed to every household having PMJDY savings account.
 - 2. There is no requirement to maintain any minimum balance in PMJDY accounts.

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. The ICEGATE portal is often seen in the news in associated with which of the following?
 - (a) Provides information about weather forecasts and climate data.
 - (b) Contains details regarding credits availed by exporters.
 - (c) Acts as a platform for online education and e-learning courses.
 - (d) Manages and oversees the distribution of agricultural subsidies.
- 88. With reference to Nagar Van Yojna and Urban forestry, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a scheme run by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
 - 2. This scheme will facilitate in-situ conservation of important flora of the region.
 - 3. Urban forestry is a permissible activity under the provisions of Compensatory Fund Act, 2016

Which of the above given statements are correct?

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

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- 89. Consider the following:
 - 1. Hepatitis B
 - 2. Meningitis
 - 3. Japanese Encephalitis
 - 4. Tuberculosis

How many of the above diseases are covered under India's Universal immunisation programme?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- 90. With reference to PM Awas yojana, consider the following statements:
 - People belonging to Economically weaker sections and lower income groups are beneficiaries under this scheme.
 - The scheme mandates the female head of a family to be the owner or co-owner of the dwelling unit.

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. Which of the following is the objective of 'Operation Greens'?
 - (a) To promote organic farming.
 - (b) To boost milk production and dairy farming.
 - (c) To support the cultivation of medicinal plants.
 - (d) To preserve specified perishable crops.
- 92. With reference to the Ninth Schedule of the constitution of India, consider the following statements:
 - 1. None of the laws put under this schedule can be judicially reviewed.
 - 2. This schedule was added by the 1st Constitutional Amendment Act.

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 statements:
 - 1. In India 100% FDI is permitted in B2B e-commerce but no FDI is permitted in B2C e-commerce.
 - 2. 100% FDI under automatic route is permitted in the marketplace model of e-commerce, while FDI is not permitted in inventory-based model of e-commerce.

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
- 94. Consider the following:
 - 1. Minsk Accords
 - 2. Oslo Accords
 - 3. Abraham Accords

How many of the above agreements are associated with Israel-Arab peace measures?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 95. With reference to Kyoto Protocol, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Kyoto Protocol is based on the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
 - 2. The Kyoto Protocol was adopted in 1997 and went into effect in 2005.
 - 3. The protocol established project-based offset mechanisms to generate carbon offset credits.

Which of the above given statements are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 2 and 3 only
- 96. With reference to Tea and its production, consider the following statements:
 - 1. India is the largest producer and consumer of black tea in the world.
 - 2. Tea crop thrives in slightly acidic soil that permits percolation of water.
 - 3. Tea board of India is a statutory body functioning under the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare.

Which of the above given statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 2 and 3 only
- 97. With reference to the presence of Aerosols in the atmosphere, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It can have a cooling effect on climate.
 - 2. Aerosols are also found in the stratosphere.
 - 3. It can reduce visibility.

How many of the above statements are correct?

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

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- 98. With reference to Magnetic field, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Earth's magnetic field is primarily generated by the movement of molten lava in earth's mantle.
 - 2. Unlike Venus and Mars, Jovian planets have very weak magnetic field.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 99. Consider the following countries:
 - 1. India
- 2. Thailand
- 3. Maldives
- 4. Yemen
- 5. Saudi Arabia

How many of the above countries contribute to naming of cyclones that occur in the Indian Ocean region?

- (a) Only two
- (b) Only three
- (c) Only four
- (d) All five
- 100. Guillain barre syndrome sometimes seen in the news is associated with which of the following?
 - (a) Immune system disorder
 - (b) Digestive system disorder
 - (c) Respiratory system disorder
 - (d) Endocrine system disorder





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