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1. Consider the following statements:

1. The Kisan Credit Card (KCC) scheme was introduced in 2015 for providing adequate and timely credit support from the banking system to the farmers.
2. The scheme also provides an ATM-enabled RuPay debit card.
3. It is mandatory to link Aadhaar with KCC account to avail interest subvention under the scheme.

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

2. Which of the statements given below are not correct:

1. Replacement Rate measures the number of children born to a woman at the end of childbearing age.
2. Total Fertility Rate (TFR) is the average number of children a woman needs to have to keep the population at a constant size.
3. India's TFR at national level is marginally lower than the Replacement Rate.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

3. The recently launched scheme SUPRA is related to which among the following:

- (a) It is a scheme under which adolescent women are given vocational training under Skill India programme.
- (b) It is a scheme under the Ministry of Women and Child Development for rehabilitation of destitute widows.
- (c) It is a scheme initiated by ISRO through which it aims to constantly engage youngsters across India to capture their scientific temperament.
- (d) It is a scheme by Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB) with the objective of funding exploration of new scientific and engineering breakthroughs with global impact.

4. With reference to 'Strategic Forces Command', consider the following statements:

1. Strategic Forces Command is the only integrated theatre command in India.
2. It was created in 2003 to look after the delivery and operational control of the country's nuclear assets.

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

5. The term 'Tella Poniki' recently in the news, is a type of:

- (a) Wood (b) Post-Harvest Festival
(c) Folk Dance (d) None of the above

6. With reference to National Essential Diagnostics List (NEDL), consider the following statements:

1. It has been customised and prepared as per landscape of India's health care priorities by the World Health Organisation (WHO).
2. India is the first country in the world to compile such a list that would provide guidance to the government for deciding the kind of diagnostic tests required.

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. Which among the following is/are bioindicators:

1. Dragonfly 2. Lichens
3. Frogs 4. Algae Blooms

Mark the correct option from the codes given below:

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

8. With reference to the National Board for Wildlife, consider the following statements:

1. It is a statutory organization constituted under the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.
2. It is chaired by the Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

9. Consider the following statements:

1. Gold Monetisation Scheme (GMS) was launched in November 2015 along with sovereign gold bonds and India gold coins.
2. GMS facilitates the depositors of gold to earn interest on their metal accounts.
3. Sovereign Gold Bonds (SG Bonds) are government securities denominated in grams of gold.
4. The SG Bonds are issued by the Ministry of Finance

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

10. Consider the following sentences:

1. India is the second largest holder of forex reserves after USA.
2. Foreign currency assets, gold reserves, SDRs and Reserve Tranche form the forex reserve of a country.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

11. With reference to 'Zayed Medal', which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?

1. It is the highest civilian award of Saudi Arabia.
2. The award has been named after the Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, the founding father of the Saudi Arabia.
3. Recently Prime Minister of India has become the first head of any Asian country to win the medal.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

12. Consider the following statements:

1. A glacier is a persistent mass of compacted ice that accumulates more mass each winter than it loses through summer melt and moves constantly under its own weight.
2. The Okjökull glacier was declared dead in 2014.
3. The glacier is situated atop of OK Volcano in the west central Norway.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

13. Consider the following statements:

1. The Sundarbans mangrove forest lies across India and Bangladesh on the delta of the Ganges, Brahmaputra and Meghna rivers on the Bay of Bengal.
2. It is adjacent to the border of India's Sundarbans World Heritage site inscribed in 1987.
3. It is home to many rare and globally threatened wildlife species such as Royal Bengal Tiger, Water monitor lizard, Gangetic dolphin, and olive ridley turtles.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

14. With reference to 'Chilka Lake', which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It is Asia's largest and world's second largest lagoon.
2. It lies on the east coast of India in the state of Odisha, separated from the mighty Bay of Bengal by a small strip of sand.
3. It was the first Indian wetland designated as a wetland of international importance under the Ramsar Convention in 1981.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

15. Consider the following statements:

1. Keystone species are selected for conservation-related decisions because the conservation and protection of these species indirectly affect the conservation and protection of other species within their ecosystem.
2. Umbrella Species helps in defining an entire ecosystem. Without them, the ecosystem would be dramatically different or cease to exist altogether.
3. The key distinction between umbrella species and keystone species is that the value of an umbrella species is tied to its geographic species range.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

16. With reference to 'Environment Impact Assessment (EIA)', which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?

1. It can be defined as the study for predicting the effect of a proposed activity/project on the environment.
2. Screening is a process of detailing the Terms of Reference (ToR) of EIA, that is the main issues or problems in the development of a project.
3. Public need not to be consulted on the proposed development after the completion of EIA report.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

17. Consider the following statements:

1. Recently, the Maharashtra government has notified nicotine as Class A poison.
2. Class A poison are comparatively less toxic chemicals which even in very high quantities as gas or vapor in air are not harmful.
3. Nicotine is a plant alkaloid that contains nitrogen, which is found in several types of plants, including the tobacco plant.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

18. Consider the following statements:

1. A new report of Greenpeace finds that India is the largest emitter of Sulphur Dioxide (SO₂) in the world.
2. The primary reason for India's high emission output is the expansion of smelting industries over the past decade.
3. Flue-Gas Desulfurization (FGD) technology can control the Sulfur dioxide air pollution..

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

19. With reference to 'Debenture Redemption Reserve', which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It is a provision added to the Indian Companies Act of 1956 through an amendment introduced in the year 2000.
2. It puts an obligation on Indian corporation that issues debentures to create a debenture redemption service in an effort to protect investors from the possibility of a company defaulting.
3. The debenture redemption service applies to All India Financial Institutions (AIFIs) regulated by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

20. Consider the following statements:

1. Recently, Sun Pharma has launched 'Versavo (bevacizumab)', a biosimilar of Roche's Avastin in India.
2. The drug can be used for the treatment of several types of cancers.
3. Biosimilars are highly similar in clinically inactive components of the reference product but may have minor differences in terms of safety, purity and potency.

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

21. With reference to 'Baya Weaver', which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?

1. It is a bird found only in South Asia.
2. Grasslands are the natural habitat of the Baya weaver.
3. The bird has been classified as 'endangered' in the IUCN Red List of threatened species.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

22. Consider the following statements:

1. Baolis are step-wells referring to man-made water tanks.
2. Arab Ki Sarai Baoli is situated within the premise of Humayun's Tomb Complex in Delhi.
3. It is a unique 'L' shaped baoli built in the 1560s by Mughal emperor Akbar.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

23. Consider the following statements:

1. Baltic states include the countries of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania.
2. The Baltic states are bounded on the east and south by the Baltic Sea, which gives the region its name.
3. Recently, the Vice President of India has unveiled the bust of the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi at the National Library of Latvia.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

24. Consider the following statements:

1. Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) is a statutory authority established by the Central Board of Revenue Act, 1963.
2. Recently, the CBDT has clarified that 'farm in' expenditure incurred by oil Exploration and Production (E&P) companies would be treated as a 'tangible asset'.
3. Farm in expenditure is incurred when an entity in the oil and gas business acquires a Participating Interest (PI) from another entity in oil/gas block(s) and becomes part of the Production Sharing Agreement (PSC).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

25. Consider the following statements:

1. The National Register of Citizens (NRC) is the register containing names of Indian citizens, published only once in 1951.
2. Every individual, whose name does not figure in the final National Register of Citizens (NRC), can represent his/her case to the Foreigners Tribunals.
3. The Foreigners Tribunals are quasi-judicial bodies meant to furnish opinion on the question as to whether a person is or is not a foreigner within the meaning of the Foreigners Act, 1946.

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

26. With reference to 'NISHTHA', which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?

1. It was launched by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship in August 2018.
2. It is the largest industrial training programme in the world.
3. Its objective is to motivate and equip teachers to encourage and foster critical thinking in students.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

27. Consider the following statements:

1. The Wild Ass Wildlife Sanctuary, situated in the Indian state of Gujarat is spread in the entire area of the little Rann of Kutch.
2. The Rann of Kachchh comprises a unique example of Holocene sedimentation.
3. The sediments of the Holocene, both continental and marine, cover the smallest area of the globe of any epoch in the geologic record.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

28. Consider the following statements:

1. Space debris encompasses only the artificial (man-made) particles.
2. That anti-satellite test made India only the fourth country in the world to have the capability to destroy a space-based infrastructure of an enemy country.

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

29. With reference to 'State Rooftop Solar Attractiveness Index (SARAL)', which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It is the first of its kind index to provide a comprehensive overview of state-level measures adopted to facilitate rooftop solar deployment.
2. It was launched by the Ministry of Science and Technology.
3. Gujarat has been placed at the first rank in the index followed by Telangana and Andhra Pradesh.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

30. Consider the following statements:

1. The report, 'Skin and Bones Unresolved: An Analysis of Tiger Seizures from 2000-2018' has been compiled by the TRAFFIC, in partnership with the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) and the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN).
2. As per the report, Russia is the country with the highest number of Tiger seizure incidents.
3. India has the world's largest tiger population in the world.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

31. Consider the following statements:

1. The Free Drug Service Initiative was launched by the NITI Aayog for giving rankings to the states, in order to encourage them to provide free drugs to their patients coming to public health facilities.
2. The flagship free medicine scheme, Mukhyamantri Nishulk Dava Yojana has bagged the first position in the monthly rankings issued under Free Drug Service Initiative.
3. Mukhyamantri Nishulk Dava Yojana was launched by the Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh in October 2011.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

32. With reference to 'San-Sadhan' Hackathon, which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?

1. It is Government of India initiative under the Accessible India Campaign.
2. It aims to ease the lives of Divyangjan by making toilets smarter, more accessible, and easier to use.
3. The initiative is being organized jointly by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and Ministry of Human Resource Management.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

33. Consider the following statements:

1. Also known as Hansen's Disease, Leprosy is a bacterial infection.
2. The latest data from the World Health Organization (WHO) shows that India hosts 66% of all leprosy patients in the world.
3. Government of India aims to eliminate leprosy by 2025.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

34. Consider the following statements:

1. Amazon Rainforests are large tropical rainforest occupying the drainage basin of the Amazon River and its tributaries in southern North America.
2. Tropical forests are closed-canopy forests growing only within 28 degrees north of the equator.
3. They are very wet places, receiving more than 200 cm rainfall per year, either seasonally or throughout the year.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

35. The scheme 'Sabka Vishwas', sometimes mentioned in the news is related to
- Legacy dispute resolution
 - Confidence building measures in J&K
 - Communal harmony
 - Non-Performing Asset (NPA) resolution
36. Which among the following measures can promote economic growth?
- Capital Infusion in Public Sector Banks.
 - Linking of lending rates to Repo rate.
 - Expediting GST refunds to MSMEs.
 - The imposition of Angel Tax on start-ups.
 - Enhanced Surcharge on FPIs.
- Mark the correct option from the codes given below:
- 1, 2, and 3 Only
 - 2, 3, 4 and 5 Only
 - 4 and 5 Only
 - 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
37. Consider the following statements:
- Recently the Union Government has proposed to set up India's first Development Financial Institution (DFI) to solve the infrastructure financing needs of the country.
 - National Housing Bank is a type of DFI established to provide financial support to Housing projects.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
38. Recently the term, 'Auto-Trigger Mechanism', which was in news is related to?
- Imports
 - WTO's dispute settlement mechanism
 - Corporate Social Responsibility
 - None of the above
39. With reference to water management in India, consider the following statements:
- Composite Water Management Index is prepared and released by the NITI Aayog in association with Ministry of JAL Shakti and Ministry of Rural Development.
 - Among the Union Territories, Puducherry was ranked first in the Composite Water Management Index 2.0.
 - Introduction of crops like millets, pulses and oilseeds in the Mid-Day Meal Scheme (MDM) can address the issue of water scarcity in India.
- Mark the correct option from the codes given below:
- 1 and 2 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 1 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
40. Recently in news, 'Falkenmark Index' is related to?
- Green House Gases
 - Water Scarcity
 - Transfat
 - None of the above
41. With reference to 'Gravitational Lensing', which of the following statements is/are correct?
- It occurs when a huge amount of matter, such as a massive galaxy, cluster of galaxies or a black hole, creates a gravitational field that distorts and magnifies the light from objects behind it.
 - It is based on Einstein's theory of general relativity (Mass bend light).
 - It will be used by the NASA's James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) for astronomical observations.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - 1 and 2 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
42. Consider the following statements:
- National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) is a constitutional body.
 - Recently, the commission has released the survey on 'education & well-being of children in mica mining areas of Jharkhand and Bihar'.
 - The survey has found the problem of child labour involved in mica scrap collection in the region.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 1 and 2 only
 - 3 only
 - 2 and 3 only
43. Consider the following statements:
- Recently, the Prime Minister of India has launched a USD 4.2 million redevelopment project of the 200-year-old Shreenathji temple in the Bahraini capital, Manama.
 - Bahrain is an island country situated east of Saudi Arabia in the Persian Gulf.
 - Bahrain is also a member of India led International Solar Alliance (ISA).
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
44. With reference to 'Clouded leopard', which of the following statements is/are correct?
- It is the State animal of Meghalaya.
 - The leopard is listed as Critically Endangered in the IUCN Red List.
 - It has been added to India's Recovery Programme for Critically Endangered Species to aid more research and strengthen conservation efforts.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

45. Consider the following statements:

1. The World Bank launched the Special Data Dissemination Standard (SDDS) initiative in 1996.
2. SDDS guides members to enhance data transparency and help financial market participants with adequate information to assess the economic situations of individual countries.
3. India subscribed to the SDDS on December 27, 1996.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

46. Consider the following statements:

1. Operation 'SAMADHAN' was launched by the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) to tackle the issue of Left Wing Extremism (LWE).
2. 'Greyhounds' is a special force raised by the Indian Army to deal with LWE in India.
3. Cases of LWE violence have increased significantly from 2009 to 2018.

Which of the statements given above is/are INCORRECT?

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

47. With reference to Economic Capital Framework, consider the following statements:

1. Usha Thorat committee was set up to review the economic capital framework of the Reserve Bank of India.
2. The transfer of surplus from RBI can make it difficult for the Government to meet its fiscal deficit target.

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

48. Consider the following statements:

1. 'Project Sunrise' was launched for the prevention of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) in the Aspirational Districts of India.
2. Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) attacks CD4, a type of White Blood Cell in the body's immune system.
3. Recently passed HIV and AIDS (Prevention and Control) Act, 2017 has made HIV testing as a pre-requisite for obtaining employment or accessing health care or education.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) All of the above

49. Consider the following pairs:

Missions	Objective
1. BharatNet	- Connecting all key rural development institutions with 10 Mbps upgradeable to 100 Mbps.
2. GramNet	- Provide 10 Gbps connectivity to all Gram Panchayats of India by 2022.
3. JanWiFi	- Establishing Wi-Fi Hotspots in rural areas

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

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) All of the above

50. With reference to Jal Jeevan Mission, consider the following statements:

1. Under Jal Jeevan Mission, the government aims to provide water supply to every household by 2022.
2. Recently, all subjects related to 'water' were transferred to the Concurrent List of the Constitution.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

51. With reference to project 'Tech Saksham', which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The project is launched by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).
2. It is a joint project of Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) and Confederation of Indian Industry (CII).
3. It is launched to accelerate the growth of Startups through technology enablement.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

52. With reference to the Child's Well-Being Index Report, consider the following statements:

1. Kerala has bagged the top spot in the Child's Well-Being Index Report.
2. The report is a collaborated work of an NGO World India and the NITI Aayog.
3. The index is computed on the basis of 3 dimensions (that include, healthy individual development, positive relationships, and protective contexts) & 24 indicators.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

53. Consider the following statements:

1. The mobile application, "Janaushadhi Sugam" has been launched by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
2. The app will augment the government vision to provide affordable healthcare through the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) Kendras.
3. The PMBJP medicines are procured only from World Health Organisation-Good manufacturing practice (WHO-GMP) certified manufacturers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

54. With reference to 'Peacock Parachute Spider (Gooty Tarantula)', which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) has categorised it as 'Endangered'.
2. Species of this genus can be identified based on the banding patterns on the underside of the legs.
3. It is endemic to India and known habitat of this species is in the Eastern Ghats especially degraded forests near Nandyal in Andhra Pradesh.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

55. Consider the following statements:

1. India is facing a severe problem of land degradation as about 29% of land is considered degraded.
2. As a part of Bonn Challenge commitment, India will convert degraded land of nearly 5 million hectares to fertile land by 2030.
3. India joined the voluntary Bonn Challenge at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Conference of the Parties (COP) 2015 in Paris.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

56. With reference to 'Shagun', which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It is launched by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).
2. It is an online junction of different websites and portals into a single platform to enhance the accessibility of information relating to schools.
3. It will ensure a holistic approach to transforming the education sector.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

57. With reference to 'Biometric Seafarer Identity Document (BSID)', consider the following statements:

1. After the U.S and China, India is the third country in the world to issue Biometric Seafarer Identity Document (BSID).
2. BSID is issued by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
3. International Labour Organization (ILO) convention C-108 deals with the Seafarers' Identity Document.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

58. Consider the following statements:

1. The Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) is an international agreement to which States and regional economic integration organizations adhere voluntarily.
2. Star Tortoise is listed under Appendix I of the CITES and therefore enjoys the highest degree of protection.
3. The IUCN has listed Star Tortoise under the Endangered category.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

59. Consider the following statements:

1. During El Nino years, pollutants can amplify the effect of the climate cycle on the monsoon.
2. El Nino refers to the unusual warming of the central and east-central equatorial Pacific Ocean which affects global weather.
3. Over India, the El Nino has usually been the harbinger of rain and the La Nina of drought.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

60. Consider the following statements:

1. Recently, the oldest parasite DNA (Deoxyribonucleic Acid) was discovered in the Coprolite of a prehistoric Puma in Argentina.
2. Coprolites are fossilised faeces belonging to animals that lived millions of years ago.
3. Analysis of coprolites can provide information about animals location and their eating habits.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

61. With reference to the North East Rural Livelihood Project (NERLP), consider the following statements:

1. NERLP forms an important aspect of the "Act East Policy".
2. It is funded by the Asian Development Bank (ADB).
3. The project aims to improve rural livelihoods especially that of women, unemployed youth and the most disadvantaged, in the entire North-Eastern region of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

62. Recently in news, the term "#FridaysForFuture" is related to?

- (a) Labour Laws (b) Climate Change
(c) Industry 4.0 (d) None of the above

63. With reference to Angikaar Campaign, consider the following statements:

1. The campaign focuses on social behaviour change and on issues such as water & energy conservation, tree plantation, etc.
2. It has been launched by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

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

64. With reference to Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM), consider the following statements:

1. It is a Central Sector Scheme focussing on the upliftment of urban poor by enhancing sustainable livelihood opportunities through skill development.
2. Portal for Affordable Credit and Interest Subvention Access (PAiSA) is a platform under DAY-NULM which simplifies and streamlines the release of interest subvention for setting up individual micro-enterprises.
3. Recently DAY-NULM was awarded the SKOCH Governance Gold Award for its Portal for Affordable Credit and Interest Subvention Access (PAiSA).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

65. With reference to Electromagnetic Pulse, consider the following statements:

1. It is a short burst of electromagnetic energy.
2. A lightning strike is a type of Electromagnetic Pulse.

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

66. With reference to 'Great Barrier Reef', which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It is the world's largest coral reef system composed of over 2,900 individual reefs and 900 islands.
2. The reef is located in the Coral Sea (North-East Coast), off the coast of Queensland, Australia.
3. It was selected as a World Heritage Site in 1981.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

67. With reference to 'Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA)', consider the following statements:

1. It is a nodal coordinating, state-owned agency engaged in fishery production and allied activities.
2. It functions under the Union Ministry of Shipping.
3. Established in 1972, it is headquartered in Kochi, Kerala.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

68. Consider the following statements:

1. Recently, the Vice President of India has inaugurated the largest aquaculture exhibition of India, 'Aqua Aquaria India, 2019' in Hyderabad, Telangana.
2. The theme for the 2019 edition is "To take Blue Revolution to India's hinterland".
3. India is the largest fish producer in the world.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

69. Consider the following statements:

1. Coking coal, also known as metallurgical coal, is used to create coke, one of the key inputs for the production of steel.
2. Coke is used as a fuel and as a reducing agent in smelting iron ore in a blast furnace.
3. According to a report of Fitch Solutions Macro Research, China will overtake India as the largest importer of coking coal by 2025.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

70. With reference to 'National Lab Directory', which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?

1. It has been launched by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
2. The directory is a one-stop-shop for all testing needs of the industries, academia, researchers and other stakeholders.

3. It encompasses the labs accredited by National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABL), Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) and Hallmarking Labs.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

Answers

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| 1. (c) | 2. (d) | 3. (d) | 4. (b) | 5. (a) | 6. (b) | 7. (d) | 8. (a) | 9. (b) | 10. (b) |
| 11. (d) | 12. (b) | 13. (d) | 14. (d) | 15. (d) | 16. (d) | 17. (c) | 18. (c) | 19. (a) | 20. (b) |
| 21. (c) | 22. (b) | 23. (c) | 24. (c) | 25. (d) | 26. (c) | 27. (b) | 28. (b) | 29. (b) | 30. (c) |
| 31. (b) | 32. (c) | 33. (b) | 34. (c) | 35. (a) | 36. (a) | 37. (b) | 38. (a) | 39. (d) | 40. (b) |
| 41. (d) | 42. (d) | 43. (b) | 44. (c) | 45. (c) | 46. (b) | 47. (d) | 48. (b) | 49. (c) | 50. (d) |
| 51. (d) | 52. (c) | 53. (c) | 54. (b) | 55. (d) | 56. (d) | 57. (c) | 58. (b) | 59. (a) | 60. (d) |
| 61. (b) | 62. (b) | 63. (a) | 64. (c) | 65. (c) | 66. (d) | 67. (d) | 68. (b) | 69. (a) | 70. (a) |