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**Current  
Affairs  
MCQ  
(Consolidation)**

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(Part-I)**

1. With respect to the 'Household Consumer Expenditure Survey (CES)', consider the following statements:

1. It is a biennial survey conducted by the Central Statistics Office.
2. It collects information regarding expenditure on consumption of goods only.

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

2. Recently in news INSTEX, refers to:

- (a) A commodity swap mechanism recently adopted by the United States (US).
- (b) A trade mechanism established by some European countries to circumvent US sanctions against trade with Iran.
- (c) A mechanism on exchange of goods and services recently adopted by the World Trade Organization (WTO).
- (d) India's new scheme to support barter trade among small industries.

3. Consider the following statements:

1. The elected and nominated members of Rajya Sabha are given equal time to speak in the House.
2. The seats in Rajya Sabha are allotted on the basis of the population of that particular state.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) None

4. Dyanganga Wildlife Sanctuary is located in

- (a) Uttar Pradesh              (b) Uttarakhand  
(c) Maharashtra              (d) Bihar

5. Recently in the news, 'Operation Clean Art' is:

- (a) A crackdown on illegal trade in mongoose hair
- (b) A cleanliness drive under Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
- (c) An initiative to support artists under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana
- (d) An exhibition of recycled products

6. 'Hand-in-Hand' is a joint training exercise between:

- (a) India and Russia              (b) China and Pakistan  
(c) India and China              (d) China and Russia

7. Third Schedule of the Indian Constitution is related to:

- (a) Provisions relating to the administration of scheduled areas.
- (b) Forms of oaths and affirmations.

(c) Allocation of seats in Rajya Sabha.

(d) Provisions relating to the emoluments, allowances and privileges.

8. With reference to Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs), consider the following statements:

1. Dhebar Commission Report created Primitive Tribal Groups as a separate category which was later renamed as PVTGs.
2. The scheme of Development of PVTGs is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme in the ratio of 90:10.

Which of the statements given above is/are INCORRECT?

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

9. Recently in the news, 'Power of Siberia' is related to:

- (a) Largest electricity generation plant in the world.
- (b) A policy launched by Russia to make Siberia hub of the crude oil industry.
- (c) The intercountry gas pipeline between Russia and China.
- (d) Seed vault for Eurasia.

10. Consider the following statements:

1. Kyoto Protocol is an internationally binding agreement to reduce Ozone Depleting Substances (ODS).
2. The Paris Agreement (2015) will replace the Montreal Protocol in 2020.

Which of the statements given above is/are INCORRECT?

- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) None

11. Consider the following pairs:

**Constitutional  
Amendment**

**Related To**

1. 100<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act — National Commission for Backward Classes
2. 101<sup>st</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act — Goods and Services Tax
3. 102<sup>nd</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act — Land Boundary Agreement Between India and Bangladesh
4. 103<sup>rd</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act — Reservation for Economically Weaker Sections

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

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

12. Consider the following pairs:

| <b>Disease</b> | <b>Deficiency</b> |
|----------------|-------------------|
| 1. Beriberi    | — Vitamin C       |
| 2. Goitre      | — Iodine          |
| 3. Anaemia     | — Vitamin B1      |
| 4. Scurvy      | — Iron            |

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

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

13. Recently seen in the news, 'Torrefaction' is related to:

- (a) Antibiotic to eliminate Anaemia  
(b) Technology for water purification  
(c) Thermal process to convert biomass into a coal-like material  
(d) Chemical process to refine petroleum products

14. With reference to Special Protection Group (SPG), consider the following statements:

1. SPG provides security cover only to the Prime Minister of the country.  
2. It was formed in 1985.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2      (d) None

15. Recently, YuWaah was in news. It is related to:

- (a) Skill Development Initiative by UNICEF  
(b) Skill India  
(c) Indian army's joint exercise  
(d) Ayushman Bharat

16. Which of the following Cabinet Committee is not headed by the Prime Minister of India?

- (a) Cabinet Committee on Investment and Growth  
(b) Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs  
(c) Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs  
(d) Cabinet Committee on Security

17. With respect to the 'Exchange Traded Fund (ETF)', consider the following points:

1. It is a collection of securities and is listed on the stock exchange.  
2. India's first equity-based ETF is Bharat Bond ETF.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

18. With reference to Hornbill, consider the following statements

1. Hornbill is the state bird of Nagaland.  
2. Its IUCN status is endangered.

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. Global Climate Risk Index is released by

- (a) World Bank      (b) World Economic Forum  
(c) Germanwatch      (d) UNDP

20. What is Operation Trident?

- (a) Indian Navy's counter-attack on the Karachi harbour during the Indo-Pakistan war  
(b) India's support to Bangladesh in its liberation  
(c) A joint exercise between the Indian army, navy and air force  
(d) An anti-maoist operation undertaken in Chattisgarh

21. With reference to the 'Repo Rate', consider the following statements:

1. It is the rate at which the Reserve Bank of India borrows money from commercial banks within the country.  
2. At the time of inflation in the country, the repo rate is reduced.

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

22. With reference to 'India's Foreign Exchange Reserve', consider the following statements:

1. It includes gold and foreign currency only.  
2. It has declined continuously in the last five 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

23. With reference to Anglo-Indians, consider the following statements

1. The constitution of India does not define Anglo-Indians.  
2. National Commission for SCs investigates all matters relating to the Constitutional safeguards for the Anglo-Indian community.

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

24. Consider the following statements

1. Small Finance Banks can extend large loans whereas Payment Banks cannot extend loans.
2. Both Small Finance Banks and Payment Banks are required to open at least 50% of its banking outlets in unbanked rural centres.

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

25. With respect to Mauritania, consider the following statements:

1. It is located on the eastern coast of Africa.
2. It is part of the African Union but not a member of the United Nations.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

26. Consider the following pairs:

| <b>Dance Forms</b> | <b>State</b> |
|--------------------|--------------|
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|-------------------|-------------|
| 1. Mohiniyattam   | — Karnataka |
| 2. Gaudiya Nritya | — Jharkhand |
| 3. Sattriya       | — Assam     |
| 4. Padayani       | — Kerala    |

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

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

27. Consider the following statements:

1. White dwarf stars are formed when the hydrogen used as nuclear fuel by the star is exhausted.
2. All the white dwarf stars cool and transform into black dwarfs over a period of time.

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

28. With reference to the 'Money Bill', consider the following statements:

1. It can be introduced in the Lok Sabha by a Minister only.
2. The President of India enjoys 'Suspensive Veto' over the Money Bill.

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 the 'Remission of Duties or Taxes on Export Products' scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It seeks to replace Merchandise Export from India Scheme (MEIS).
2. It is not compliant with the WTO rules.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. Presently, there is a limit over expenditure incurred by the candidates during elections.
2. Any expenditure beyond the specified limit can lead to disqualification of the candidate by the Election Commission 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

31. Which of the following countries are members of both the SAARC and BIMSTEC?

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|-------------|--------------|
| 1. Myanmar  | 2. India     |
| 3. Maldives | 4. Sri Lanka |

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

32. With reference to Rare diseases, consider the following statements:

1. A rare disease is a health condition of low prevalence that affects a small number of people.
2. There is no national policy for rare diseases in 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

33. Which of the following diseases are caused by Bacteria?

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|------------|-----------------|
| 1. Cholera | 2. Tuberculosis |
| 3. Measles | 4. Chickenpox   |

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

34. What is RailWire?

- (a) Free public Wi-Fi at railway stations  
(b) Freight Corridor  
(c) A Policy for electrification of railways  
(d) Grievance redressal portal

35. With reference to the Natyashastra, consider the following statements:

1. It deals with Indian classical dances only.
2. It is also known as the fifth Veda.

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

36. With reference to UNESCO World Heritage sites in India, consider the following statements:

1. Jaipur is the latest addition to the list of UNESCO cultural heritage sites.
2. Khangchendzonga National Park falls under the category of natural sites.

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

37. 'Human Development Index' is released by

- (a) International Labour Organization  
(b) UN-Habitat  
(c) United Nations Development Programme  
(d) World Bank

38. White Island, recently in the news, is located in:

- (a) United States              (b) India  
(c) Brazil                        (d) New Zealand

39. Consider the following statements:

1. The International Human Rights Day marks the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights by the United Nations Security Council.
2. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights is legally binding on all the members of the United Nations.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

40. Satpada Island is located in which of the following state?

- (a) Assam  
(b) Odisha  
(c) Andaman and Nicobar  
(d) Karnataka

41. Consider the following statements:

1. The International Criminal Court (ICC) is the principal judicial organ of the United Nations.
2. International Court of Justice (ICJ) is governed by the Rome Statute.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

42. With reference to the PM-KISAN, consider the following statements:

1. PM-KISAN will cover only drought-prone areas of the country.
2. The scheme is not applicable to tenants and landless farmers.

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

43. What is NAVARMS?

- (a) International seminar cum exhibition on naval weapon systems  
(b) An Indian naval exercise  
(c) Arms deal between India and Russia  
(d) Indigenously developed anti-tank missile

44. With reference to the Sixth Schedule, consider the following statements:

1. It is related to the administration of scheduled areas.
2. It is applicable to Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura and Mizoram only.

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. JAGA Mission seen in the news is launched by,

- (a) Jharkhand                  (b) Chattisgarh  
(c) Odisha                      (d) Rajasthan

46. Consider the following pairs:

| <b>Countries</b>  | <b>Navigational Satellite System</b> |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. China          | — QZSS                               |
| 2. Japan          | — Beidou                             |
| 3. Russia         | — GLONASS                            |
| 4. European Union | — Galileo                            |

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

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

47. With reference to the Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV), consider the following statements:

1. It is a four-stage launch vehicle with the first and third stage using liquid rocket motors and second and fourth stages using solid rocket engines.

2. It was used during the launch of Mass Orbiter Mission (MOM).

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 pairs:

| <b>Temple</b>              | <b>State</b> |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Shore Temple            | — Tamil Nadu |
| 2. Brihadeshwara Temple    | — Karnataka  |
| 3. Mahabodhi Temple        | — Bihar      |
| 4. Shravanabelagola Temple | — Kerala     |

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

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

49. Which of the following is NOT the tributary of river Godavari?

- (a) Indravati (b) Penganga  
(c) Dudhganga (d) Wainganga

50. With reference to the Citizenship Amendment Bill, 2019, consider the following statements:

1. The Bill seeks to grant Indian Citizenship only to Hindu immigrants from Pakistan and Bangladesh.
2. It adds an additional ground for cancelling Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) registration.

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 the 'Wholesale Price Index (WPI)', consider the following statements:

1. It is released by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.
2. It covers the prices of goods only.

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

52. With reference to the 'Kuchipudi dance', consider the following statements:

1. It is one of the classical dance forms of India.
2. It is indigenous to the state of Andhra Pradesh.
3. Tribhanga is the basic posture of this dance form.

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

53. With reference to the Atal Bhujal Yojana, consider the following statements:

1. It has been launched for sustainable management of groundwater.
2. It is a central sector scheme fully funded by the Government 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

54. With reference to Mullaperiyar Dam, consider the following statements:

1. Mullaperiyar Dam is located on the confluence of the Mullayar and Periyar river.
2. It is disputed between Karnataka and Kerala.
3. Periyar river is an east-flowing river.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

55. With reference to Samagra Shiksha, consider the following statements:

1. It subsumes the three Schemes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE).
2. It is funded by the World Bank.

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. National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) is under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Chemical and Fertilizers.
2. National List of Essential Medicines (NLEM) is prepared by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. MAA programme is launched by the Ministry of Women and Child Development to promote breastfeeding.
2. Vatsalya, a National Human Milk Bank is a collaborative effort of India and World Bank.

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 pairs:

| <b>Tribes</b>     | <b>State</b>        |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Limboo         | — Sikkim            |
| 2. Irula          | — Kerala            |
| 3. Kolam          | — Arunachal Pradesh |
| 4. Dongaria Kondh | — Nagaland          |

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

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

59. Consider the following statements:-

1. Accessible India Campaign is being implemented by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

2. The aim of the Accessible India Campaign is to achieve universal accessibility for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs).

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

60. With reference to the Economic Census, consider the following statements:

1. It is carried out by the Ministry of Home Affairs.  
2. It is conducted once in every ten 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

## Answers

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