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**Current
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MCQ
(Consolidation)**

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(Part-I)**

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Agrochemical spraying of pesticides by drone impacts a smaller area and increases the efficacy on the target pests.
2. Central Insecticides Board works under the Ministry of Science and Technology.

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. With reference to the Economic Survey, consider the following statements:

1. It is tabled in Parliament by the Chief Economic Adviser to the Government of India.
2. Economic Survey 2019-20 suggests privatisation of Public Sector Banks for wealth creation.

Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?

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

3. With reference to the Overseas Citizenship of India (OCI), consider the following statements:

1. An applicant is not eligible for the OCI card if he, his parents or grandparents have ever been a citizen of Pakistan and Bangladesh.
2. OCI cardholders do not need permission to make donations to religious and charitable institutions.
3. OCI cardholders do not get voting rights but can purchase agricultural or farmland.

Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?

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

4. Consider the following pairs:

National Parks	States
1. Kudremukh	: Kerala
2. Periyar	: Tamil Nadu
3. Hemis	: Jammu & Kashmir
4. Balphakram	: Mizoram

Which of the pair(s) given above is/are correctly matched?

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

5. With reference to Pneumonia, consider the following statements:

1. Pneumonia is an acute infection of the liver.
2. Globally, Pneumonia is the leading cause of death of children.

3. World's first conference on Childhood Pneumonia was held in Geneva, Switzerland.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

6. Consider the following statements:

1. It was one of the important seaports of the Chola dynasty.
2. It's present-day location is Cauvery delta of Tamil Nadu.
3. It is known to be submerged due to the rising sea levels.

Identify the location based on the above statements:

- (a) Kakinada
(b) Poompuhar
(c) Masulipatnam
(d) Kalyani

7. With reference to Flame-throated bulbul, consider the following statements:

1. The flame-throated bulbul has been chosen as the mascot of the 36th National Games.
2. It is the state bird of Goa.
3. It is listed as vulnerable on the IUCN Red list.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

8. With reference to Bandipur tiger reserve, consider the following statements:

1. Bandipur tiger reserve forms a part of Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve.
2. Kabini, a tributary of Krishna river flows through the reserve.

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. With reference to Iconic Sites in India, consider the following statements:

1. The Ministry of Culture is the nodal agency for the implementation of the 'Iconic Tourist Sites Initiative'.
2. Recently the Harappan Civilisation sites, Rakhigarhi and Dholavira have been proposed to be developed as iconic 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

10. With reference to World Wetlands Day, consider the following statements:

1. World Wetlands Day marks the date of establishment of the 'Wetlands International'.
2. The theme for World Wetlands Day, 2020 was 'Wetlands 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

11. Consider the following statements:

1. The higher-income countries have a greater prevalence of cancer owing to a sedentary lifestyle.
2. Low and middle-income countries have a higher prevalence of cancer due to the lack of healthcare infrastructure.
3. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) is Headquartered at Lyon in France.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

12. Recently in the news, 'Santusht Portal' is related to

- (a) Water Purification
(b) Food supply under Antyodaya Yojana
(c) Implementation of labour laws
(d) Education facilities in hilly areas

13. With regard to the 'Blue Dot Network', consider the following statements:

1. It is an initiative of USA and India.
2. It will serve as a globally recognised evaluation and certification system for major infrastructure projects with a focus on the Indo-Pacific region.

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

14. Biorock Technology, recently in the new, is related to:

- (a) Determination of age of fossil fuels.
(b) Restoration of coral reefs.
(c) Breaking down environmental pollutants.
(d) Carbon sequestration

15. With reference to the Oil and Gas sector in India, consider the following statements:

1. 100% FDI under automatic route is permitted for exploration, production and refining by the private companies.

2. The Digboi Refinery has been termed as the "Gangotri of the Indian Hydrocarbon sector".

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

16. Consider the following pairs:

Tribes	State
1. Limboo	— Sikkim
2. Irula	— Kerala
3. Chenchu	— Madhya Pradesh
4. Juanga	— 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

17. With reference to the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It is a centrally sponsored scheme.
2. It is being implemented by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
3. It aims to reduce infant mortality and child malnutrition.

Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?

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

18. Anguilla island, recently in the news, is located in?

- (a) Arabian Sea (b) Baltic Sea
(c) Caribbean Sea (d) Mediterranean Sea

19. Consider the following statements:

1. Anti-dumping duty is applicable on goods that have received government subsidies in the originating or exporting country.
2. The World Trade Organization (WTO) does not recognise anti-dumping duty as an instrument of fair competition.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

20. Consider the following statements:

1. Right to Privacy is a fundamental right.
2. India does not have any express legislation on data privacy.

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 statements:

1. Right to free legal aid is a fundamental right.
2. 'Prisons' is a central subject under the seventh schedule of the Constitution.
3. The Amitava Roy Committee was formed on prison reforms.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

22. With reference to the 'Central Pollution Control Board', consider the following statements:

1. It has been established under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.
2. It operates the National Air Monitoring Program (NAMP).

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 the 'Marine Products Export Development Authority', consider the following statements:

1. It comes under the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying.
2. It organizes the annual event 'India International Seafood Show'.

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. International Intellectual Property Index is released by?

- (a) US Chamber of Commerce
(b) World Economic Forum
(c) Amnesty International
(d) United Nations Development Programme

25. Consider the following statements:

1. The Soil Health Card Scheme was launched by the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.
2. The Soil Health Card contains nutrient status as well as the moisture content of the soil.

Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?

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

26. Consider the following statements:

1. The first session of the Parliament after each general election and the first session of every fiscal year is addressed by the president.

2. In the case of the first session after each general election, the President addresses both Houses of Parliament before the members have made and subscribed to the oath or affirmations.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

27. With reference to the National Means Cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS), consider the following statements:

1. It is the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) which was launched in 2008.
2. Only the students from Kendriya Vidyalaya, Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas and residential Schools are eligible for the scholarship under this scheme.

Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?

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

28. With reference to the Monetary Policy Committee, consider the following statements:

1. It is an extra-constitutional body.
2. Repo Rate is determined by the Monetary Policy Committee.
3. Its establishment was recommended by the Injeti Srinivas Committee.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

29. Consider the following statements:

1. India has a total of 18 biosphere reserves under the UNESCO's Man and Biosphere Program.
2. Recently Seshachalam in Andhra Pradesh has been notified as a biosphere reserve under the Man and Biosphere Program.

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. With reference to Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve, consider the following statements:

1. It is located at the confluence of Western and Eastern Ghats.
2. It was established primarily for the conservation of Lion Tailed Macaque.

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. Grand Renaissance Dam, recently in news, is located on which river?

- (a) Nile (b) Thames
(c) Amazon (d) Mississippi

32. Van Vihar National Park, recently seen in news, is located in

- (a) Andhra Pradesh (b) Meghalaya
(c) Odisha (d) Madhya Pradesh

33. Consider the following statements:

1. Agartala-Akhaura rail link will connect India and Nepal.
2. Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport Project will connect India and Myanmar.

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 statements:

1. Reservation in Promotions is a fundamental right of SC/STs under Article 16(4A) of the Constitution.
2. Trade, occupation or commerce dependent on the Internet is a fundamental right under Article 19 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

35. Consider the following statements:

1. The National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) is a statutory body.
2. Article 48 of the Constitution provides for free legal aid to the poor and weaker sections of the society.
3. Central Victim Compensation Fund scheme enables support to victims of rape, acid attacks and human trafficking etc.
4. Nirbhaya fund is being used in the Central Victim Compensation Fund scheme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

36. With reference to the Chindu Yakshaganam, consider the following statements:

1. The Chindu Yakshaganam is an age-old art form popular in Karnataka.
2. It is similar to Yakshaganam.
3. It is a theatre art form that combines dance, music and dialogues.

Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?

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

37. With reference to the Solar Orbiter Mission, consider the following statements:

1. NASA launched the solar orbiter by the Atlas 5 rocket.
2. It is a cooperative mission between NASA and the ISRO.

Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?

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

38. With reference to SuperCam, consider the following statements:

1. It is a robot developed by NASA.
2. It will be the first to provide images of the Sun's poles.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

39. With reference to the Integrated Air Defence Weapon System, consider the following statements:

1. The Integrated Air Defence Weapon System was jointly developed by the firms of Sweden and the US.
2. Once operational it will form the outermost layer of proposed Air Defence Shield for NCT of Delhi.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. Godavari, Narmada and Cauvery are the east-flowing rivers.
2. Nagarjunasagar dam is on the river Pennar.

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

41. Consider the following statements:

1. Krishnaraj Sagar dam is located on it.
2. It has tributaries namely Arkavathi, Hemavathi, Lakshmana and Theertha.
3. Its delta region is declared as a Protected Special Agriculture Zone recently.

Identify the river based on the above statements:

- (a) Krishna (b) Cauvery
(c) Godavari (d) Pennar

42. With reference to BharatNet, consider the following statements:
1. It is a flagship mission to connect 25000 cities with broadband connectivity.
 2. It is being implemented by the Bharat Broadband Network Limited.
- Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
43. 'Covid-19', recently seen in the news, is
- (a) Trilateral maritime exercise between India, Japan and Russia
 - (b) Nanosatellite launched by Japan on Mars
 - (c) Indigenously developed medicine to treat Malaria
 - (d) Coronavirus named by WHO
44. Thwaites Glacier, recently seen in the news, is located in?
- (a) Alaska (b) Pakistan
 - (c) Arctic (d) West Antarctica
45. 'Ajeya Warrior' is a joint military exercise between:
- (a) India-USA
 - (b) India-UK
 - (c) India-France
 - (d) India-Russia
46. Consider the following statements:
1. The Central Insecticides Board comes under the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.
 2. The restricted use of drones for spraying of pesticides is legal in India.
- Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
47. 'Mitra Shakti' is a joint military exercise between:
- (a) India and Maldives (b) India and Sri Lanka
 - (c) India and Nepal (d) India and Bangladesh
48. With reference to the 'Wainganga River', consider the following statements :
1. It originates in the Mahadeo Hills.
 2. It is the largest tributary of the Godavari river.
 3. The Kaleshwaram lift irrigation project is being constructed on the Wainganga river.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 3 only
(c) 1 and 2 only (d) 2 and 3 only
49. With reference to the 'Fifth Schedule of the Constitution', consider the following statements:
1. Indian Constitution lists criteria for declaring any area as a "Scheduled Area" under the Fifth Schedule.
 2. The fifth Schedule is not applicable in the states of Manipur and Mizoram.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
50. With reference to 'Nilgiri Tahr', consider the following statements:
1. It is the state animal of Kerala.
 2. It is listed under Schedule V of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.
- 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. Consider the following pairs:
1. Konark Sun Temple — Odisha
 2. Brihadisvara Temple — Kerala
 3. Shore Temple — Tamil Nadu
 4. Hoysaleswara Temple — Karnataka
- Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- (a) 1 and 4 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
52. Consider the following statements:
1. Countervailing duty (CVD) is an export tax imposed on certain goods in order to prevent the insufficient supply of that good in the originating country.
 2. An anti-dumping duty is imposed by a domestic government on foreign imports that are priced below the fair market value of similar goods in the domestic market.
- Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
53. Consider the following statements:
1. Election Commission of India administers elections to the Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha, and State Legislative Assemblies only.
 2. The Constitution has not prescribed the qualifications of the members of the Election Commission.
- 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. India is not a member of:

1. BIMSTEC
2. APEC
3. ASEAN
4. SASEC

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

55. With reference to the 'Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC)', consider the following statements:

1. It functions under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
2. It launched 'Honey Mission' in 2017.

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. The verdict on the right to be forgotten was pronounced by the European Court of Justice in the case between Netherlands and Google.
2. The right to be forgotten is similar to the right to privacy, as both deals with the information that is publicly known.

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. India is a Consultative Member of the Antarctic Treaty System.
2. Dakshin Gangotri and Maitri are Indian stations in Antarctica whereas Bharati is an Indian station in the Arctic.

Which of the statements given above NOT is/are correct?

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

58. With reference to 'Organic food market', consider the following statements:

1. India is the world's largest organic market.
2. Sikkim is the first organic state in the world.
3. Indian Organic food sector is primarily driven by domestic demand.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

59. With reference to the International Search and Rescue Advisory Group (INSARAG), consider the following statements:

1. INSARAG is a global network of countries and organisations under the United Nations umbrella.
2. INSARAG's primary purpose is to establish minimum international standards for international coordination in earthquake response.

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 'Indian pangolin', consider the following statements:

1. It is found throughout India.
2. It is a 'critically endangered species' under the IUCN Red List.

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