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**Current
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MCQ
(Consolidation)**

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(Part-II)**

1. Consider the following statements:

1. Foreign Portfolio Investment (FPI) is often referred to as hot money.
2. FPI does not provide the investor with direct ownership of financial assets.
3. FPI is part of a country's capital account and is shown on its Balance of Payments.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

2. The "Traffic Crash Injuries And Disabilities: The Burden on India Society" report is released by?

- (a) United Nations
(b) World Health organisation
(c) World Bank
(d) World Economic Forum

3. Consider the following statements:

1. The Government of India has allowed open access to geospatial data and services to all the Indian entities.
2. Indian corporations will no longer be subjected to prior approval or license to collect geo-spatial data.

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

4. Which of the following statements are correct?

1. Haemorrhagic Septicaemia is a disease caused by a contagious virus.
2. Karlapat Wildlife Sanctuary has dry deciduous type of vegetation.
3. Salt Water Crocodiles are found in Bhitarkanika National Park.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

5. Consider the following statements about Navigation in Indian Constellation (NavIC):

1. It is an Indian regional navigation satellite developed by the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO).
2. It consists of eight satellites in the geosynchronous orbit.
3. It works similar to the Global Positioning System (GPS) but within the Indian subcontinent only.

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

6. Consider the following statements about the major Sufi orders:

1. The Chishti order rejected all material goods and abstained from connection with the secular state.
2. The Suhrawardi order did not accept the maintenance grants from the Sultans.
3. The Naqshbandi order was popular in Punjab and supported the Mughals under Akbar.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

7. Consider the following statements about Raja Suheldev:

1. He ruled in present day Gujarat and was a contemporary of Muhammad of Ghor.
2. Mirat-i-Masudi is the biography of Raja Suheldev written by Salar Masud.

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

8. With reference to the World Trade Organisation (WTO), consider the following statements:

1. All the members of the United Nations Organisation hold the membership of WTO too.
2. The WTO was established with the signing of the Marrakesh Agreement.

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. Coelacanths is an extinct species under IUCN Red List.
2. The only species of coelacanths lives near the Comoros Islands off the east coast of Africa.

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. Consider the following statements regarding Sandes App?

1. It is launched by the National Informatics Centre (NIC).
2. It is an instant messaging platform used only by Government employees.

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 about Chameleons:

1. They live in warm habitats that range from Rainforest and Desert Condition.
2. Chameleon Brookesia Micra is the smallest of all the known reptiles.
3. India is home to about two-thirds of all chameleon species.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

12. Which of the following statements is/are correct about the Mandarin Duck:

1. It is native to East and South-East Asia only.
2. It has been found for the first time in India.
3. It is listed as least concern in the IUCN Red List.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

13. With reference to the Gangetic Dolphin, consider the following statements:

1. It is protected under Schedule I of Wildlife (Protection), Act 1972.
2. It is listed as critically endangered in 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

14. With reference to the Housing Finance Companies (HFCs), consider the following statements:

1. HFCs are specialized Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFC).
2. The HFCs are regulated by the National Housing Bank (NHB).
3. To qualify as HFCs, a NBFC must have 50% assets as housing loans and 75% of which should be for individual homebuyers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

15. With reference to the Blue economy, consider the following statements:

1. The concept was introduced by Gunter Pauli.
2. It advocates the greening of ocean development strategies for higher productivity and conservation of ocean's health.

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 statements:

1. Right to reputation is an integral part of Article 21 of the Indian Constitution.
2. Defamation can only be a civil offence 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

17. With reference to Perseverance Rover, consider the following statements:

1. It is the European Space Agency mission.
2. It aims to study the geology of Mars and signs of ancient life.
3. Jezero Crater on Mars is the landing site of the rover.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

18. With reference to Particulate Matter 2.5, consider the following statements:

1. It is an endocrine disruptor and contributes to diabetes.
2. It is considered in the calculation of the National Air Quality Index.

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. With reference to Tree Cities of the World Programme, consider the following statements:

1. It is an international effort to recognize cities and towns committed to urban forestry.
2. It is a programme partnership between the Arbor Day Foundation and the FAO.
3. Chandigarh the only city in India to get this recognition so far.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

20. 'Vishakha Guidelines' of the Supreme Court of India is related to which of the following?

- (a) Protection of SC & ST population from atrocities.
(b) Regulation of the coal block allocations.
(c) Police reforms in India.
(d) Sexual harassment at workplace.

21. Consider the following statements about the state of Arunachal Pradesh:

1. The state shares international borders with China and Myanmar only.
2. It was formed out of Assam with the 55th amendment to the Indian Constitution.
3. Gayal is the state animal of Arunachal Pradesh.

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

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

22. Consider the following pairs:

Pass	Location/Link
1. Nathu La	Sikkim
2. Rohtang Pass	Uttarakhand
3. Lipu Lekh Pass	Himachal Pradesh
4. Bom di La	Arunachal Pradesh

Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?

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

23. Consider the following statements about Sambhar Lake:

1. It is the largest inland saltwater lake of India.
2. It is a wetland of international importance.
3. The lake receives water mainly from Ghaggar and Banas rivers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

24. With reference to the Nurturing Neighborhoods Challenge, consider the following statements:

1. It focuses on shaping cities for young children and their families.
2. It is launched by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs in association with 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

25. With reference to Indian Anti-tank Guided Missile, consider the following statements:

1. Helina and Dhruvastra are Anti-tank guided missiles for the Indian Airforce and Army respectively.
2. DRDO has developed anti guided NAG Missiles under the Project 75I.

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. Which of the following are correct about rainfall in Cherrapunji?

1. It is caused by the orography favouring a monsoon wind regime.
2. The changes in the Indian Ocean temperature have a huge effect on it.
3. The decrease in vegetation cover and increase in the areas of cropland has caused decline in rainfall here.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

27. With reference to Indian WASH strategy, consider the following statements:

1. WASH stands for the interrelated areas of Water and Sanitation.
2. The Strategy has been developed by the World Health Organisation.

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 Thermo-electric effect, consider the following statements:

1. It involves the process by which heat is transformed to electrical energy.
2. Being a good conductor of electricity but a bad conductor of heat is important property for thermo-electric effect.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. The report 'Making Peace with Nature' is released by UNEP.
2. The UNEP is headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya.

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. The 'Yuelu Proclamation', is related to?

- (a) Addressing future epidemics
(b) Protecting linguistic resources and diversity
(c) Climate Change
(d) Peaceful uses of outer space

31. With reference to Carbon Footprint, consider the following statements:

1. It is a measure of the impact of people's activities on the amount of carbon dioxide produced.
2. It is strictly the same as the ecological footprint.

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

32. Consider the following statements:

1. Blue hydrogen is produced using renewable energy and electrolysis to split water.
2. Grey hydrogen is produced from methane and releases greenhouse gases into the atmosphere.

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 are the initiatives to promote MSME sector:

1. SFURTI
2. Credit Guarantee Fund Scheme
3. Udyog Aadhaar Memorandum
4. Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

34. Consider the following statements:

1. The contribution of Livestock in terms of Gross Value Added (at constant prices) in total agriculture and allied sector has declined in 2018-19 when compared from 2014-15.
2. As per the latest Livestock Census, the total Livestock population in the country has declined compared to the Livestock Census-2012.

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 about India and Maldives:

1. India and Maldives are member nations of SAARC but not SASE(c)
2. Operation Cactus was the assistance of the Indian Armed Forces to neutralize the coup attempt in Maldives.
3. Ekuverin is the joint military exercise of India and Maldives.

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

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

36. Consider the following statements about Black-necked crane:

1. It is revered by the Mongpa community of Buddhists as the embodiment of the sixth Dalai Lam(a)
2. In India, the bird is found in Ladakh region and in Arunachal Pradesh.

3. It is listed as Near Threatened in the IUCN red list.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

37. With reference to Mission Indradhanush, which of the following statements are correct?

1. It targets adolescents and pregnant women.
2. It provides vaccination against 12 Vaccine-Preventable Diseases only.
3. Vaccination against Japanese Encephalitis and Haemophilus influenzae type B is being provided in selected districts only.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

38. Consider the following statements about Unnat Jyoti by Affordable LEDs for All (UJALA):

1. The scheme is implemented by Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) under the Ministry of Power.
2. Under this programme, the conventional street lights are aimed to be replaced with LEDs.

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 Gahirmatha, consider the following statements:

1. It is the world's largest nesting beach of Olive Ridley Sea Turtles.
2. Gahirmatha is the only turtle sanctuary in Odisha.

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. With reference to Pagri Sambhal Movement (1907), consider the following statements:

1. It was against the laws that would reduce farmers from owners to contractors of land
2. The Bharat Mata Society established under this movement aimed to topple the colonial British government.

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 about a Blank-Cheque-Company:
1. It is a firm that is specifically set up with the objective of acquiring a firm in a particular sector.
 2. It is also known as a shell company.
- 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. Consider the following statements regarding the National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC):
1. It is a constitutional body that works to safeguard the interests of the Scheduled Castes (SC) and Other Backward Castes (OBC) in India.
 2. All the members of the NCSC are appointed by the President of India.
 3. The 89th amendment to the constitution led to the formation of separate commissions for Scheduled Tribes and Scheduled Castes.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
43. With reference to PM Atmanirbhar Swasth Bharat scheme, consider the following statements:
1. This scheme was launched in the Union Budget 2021-22.
 2. It aims to develop capacities of the tertiary health care systems only in the aspirational districts.
- 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
44. Consider the following statements:
1. Qualified Institutional Buyers (QIBs) enjoy greater access in the security market.
 2. The individual investors can also obtain QIB status.
- 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. Consider the following statements:
1. Hydrogen is abundantly found in nature in its pure form.
 2. Blue Hydrogen is generated from renewable energy by splitting water into hydrogen and oxygen.
- 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
46. Consider the following statements about the Community Forest Resource (CFR) rights:
1. The rights are provided under the National Forest Policy, 1988.
 2. These rights can be claimed only over those forests that do not come under any protected areas.
 3. The Gram Sabha is responsible for determining the forest rights to be given to forest dwelling scheduled tribes and other traditional forest dwellers.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
47. With reference to Buddhism, consider the following statements:
1. In Varad Mudra the gesture of hand shows dispensing of boons.
 2. The Vajrayana phase is also known as tantric Buddhism.
- 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 about the empire of Vijayanagara:
1. The empire was established by Harihara and Bukka of the Tuluva dynasty.
 2. The capital of Vijayanagar is a UNESCO world heritage site.
 3. The empire was stretched along the river Krishna.
- Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
49. With reference to the Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS), consider the following statements:
1. It is an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES).
 2. It is located in Hyderabad.
- 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. Consider the following statements:
1. The President's Rule is imposed on the advice of the Union Council of Ministers.
 2. A proclamation imposing President's Rule must be approved by both the Houses of Parliament within six months from the date of its issue.
- 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 statements:

1. The development of the Bhakti movement took place in the eleventh century in northern India
2. Guru Ravidas was a devotee of lord Shiva.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. Chilika Lake was designated the first Indian wetland of international importance under the Ramsar Convention.
2. Chilika Lake is the largest salt-water lagoon of Asia.

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

53. Consider the following statements regarding 'Genetically Modified Crops':

1. It is a plant breeding process that involves crossing of species of the same genus to provide the offspring of desired traits.
2. DMH-11 mustard is the only Genetically Modified (GM) crop that is allowed in India

3. Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) is the apex body that allows for commercial release of GM crops.

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

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

54. Consider the following statements:

1. Dissolved Oxygen (DO) is a measure of the amount of free oxygen available in river systems.
2. The higher value of Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) indicates low DO content of water.

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

55. With reference to the Saras Aajeevika Mela 2021, consider the following statements:

1. It is an initiative by the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM).
2. It aims to provide a platform to rural women to showcase their skills and products.

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