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**Current
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(Consolidation)**

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1. Consider the following statements:

1. There is no minimum age for a witness in India.
2. Indian Evidence Act, 1872 deals with competency of parties to be witnesses.

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. Which of the following statements is/are not correct regarding the 'Central Administrative Tribunal'?

1. It has been set up in pursuance to the Article 323-B of the Constitution.
2. It is not bound by the procedures prescribed by the Civil Procedure Code.
3. The appeals against its order are filed in the High Court.
4. Only a retired Judge of a High Court can be its chairman.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

3. Consider the following statements:

1. The Korku tribe resides in Manipur, Meghalaya and Nagaland.
2. Korku language is one of the 196 languages termed endangered by UNESCO.

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. Consider the following statements about the Mukurthi National Park:

1. The park lies within the Agasthyamalai Biosphere Reserve.
2. The park was established primarily for the conservation of Nilgiri Marten.

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. Consider the following statements about the Geckos:

1. Geckos are mostly small amphibians with soft skin.
2. Recently, the urban bent-toed gecko (*Cyrtodactylus urbanus*) was discovered from Khasi Hills of Meghalaya.
3. Urbanization is a major threat to the survival of geckos.

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

6. Barakah nuclear power plant recently seen in the news is related to

- (a) Iran (b) Saudi Arabia
(c) UAE (d) Oman

7. Consider the following statements:

1. Portugal is a part of the Iberian peninsula.
2. India is an associate member of the Community of Portuguese Language Countries (CPLC).
3. Portugal is a member of the International Solar Alliance (ISA).

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

8. With reference to Convention on Conservation of Migratory Species (CMS), consider the following statements:

1. The Conference of Parties (COP) of the Convention is held under the aegis of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
2. Convention on Conservation of Migratory Species (CMS) is also known as the Vienna Convention.

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 the Battle of Gallipoli, consider the following statements:

1. The Battle of Gallipoli is related to events of World War II.
2. The Gallipoli region shares borders with Dardanelles strait.
3. It laid ground for national identities of Australia-New Zealand and Turkey.

Which of the statement (s) given above is/are NOT correct?

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

10. With reference to the traditional sports of India, consider the following statements:

1. Kambala is a traditional buffalo race which generally takes place in coastal Kerala from November to March.
2. Jallikattu is a traditional bull-taming event that is organised every year in Karnataka.
3. Sagol Kangjei is a game of traditional Polo played in Manipur.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

11. With reference to Aditya-L1 Mission, consider the following statements:

1. The Aditya-L1 is India's first solar mission.
2. The Mission will be the first ever spacecraft to be placed in Lagrange Point 1(L1).
3. Benefit of orbiting in Lagrangian point 1 is that the spacecraft will not have any obstructions in viewing the Sun.

4. The spacecraft will observe the Sun's atmosphere including solar winds and flares.
Which of the statement (s) given above is/are correct?
(a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 only
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only (d) 2 and 4 only
12. With reference to the National Statistical Commission (NSC), consider the following statements:
1. The NSC is an autonomous body under the aegis of the Ministry of Finance.
2. It is headed by the Chief Statistician of India.
3. The NSC is a recommendatory body that helps the national statistical system in evolving better strategies to improve the functioning of the system.
Which of the statement (s) given above is/are NOT correct?
(a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1 and 2 only
13. Consider the following statements:
1. The Financial Action Task Force (FATF) can take actions against only its member countries.
2. At present, Pakistan and Sri Lanka are on the FATF's grey list.
Which of the statement (s) given above is/are correct?
(a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
14. Consider the following statements:
1. Handicrafts Exhibition - 'Kala Kumbh' is being organized by the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.
2. The National Handicraft Development Programme is being implemented by the Ministry of Textiles.
Which of the statement (s) given above is/are correct?
(a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
15. Consider the following statements:
1. The population control and family planning comes under the Union List (list I) of the Seventh schedule.
2. India has no Population Control Policy.
Which of the statement (s) given above is/are correct?
(a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
16. With reference to the 'In Vitro Fertilization', consider the following statements:
1. It is a type of Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART).
2. In India, it is regulated under the Pre-Conception & Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques Act, 1994.
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 the Law Commission of India, consider the following statements:
1. It is a non-statutory body.
2. The first Law Commission was established in 1834 by the Pitt's India Act 1784 and was chaired by Lord Macaulay.
Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
(a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 or 2
18. The Stockholm declaration and the K.S. Radhakrishnan Committee is related to this issue. The decade of 2011-2020 has been dedicated by the UN to it. The issue being referred to is?
(a) Human Development (b) Gender Equality
(c) Road Safety (d) Persistent Organic Pollutants
19. With reference to the Scheduled Tribes (STs), consider the following statements :
1. The Constitution does not define the criteria for recognition of Scheduled Tribes.
2. Governor after consultation with the Chief Minister of the State, by public notification, can specify a tribe as Scheduled Tribe in relation to that State.
3. The largest number of tribal communities are found in Jharkhand.
4. The National Commission for Scheduled Tribes is a statutory body.
Which of the statement (s) given above is/are correct?
(a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 3 and 4 only
20. With reference to the Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen), consider the following statements:
1. Phase II of the Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen) will focus on the Water + Protocol.
2. Rural areas in all the States have been declared Open Defecation Free (ODF).
Which of the statement (s) given above is/are correct?
(a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 or 2
21. With reference to Worldwide Educating for the Future Index 2019, consider the following statements:
1. It is published by the Economist Intelligence Unit.
2. It highlights India's inability to internationalise the higher education system.
3. The focus of India's new national education policy on future-oriented skills such as critical thinking, communication and entrepreneurship has led to improved ranking in the Index.
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

22. With reference to the Arunachal Pradesh, consider the following statements:

1. Arunachal Pradesh shares an international border with Bhutan, China, Nepal and Myanmar.
2. It is inhabited by the world's largest variety (diversity) of ethnic tribal groups and subgroups.

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

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 or 2

23. With reference to Appendix I of the United Nations Convention on Migratory Species, consider the following statements:

1. It enlists all the migratory species of the world.
2. The Asian Elephant and the Great Indian Bustard are listed under the Appendix I of the United Nations Convention on Migratory Species.

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. With reference to the Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission (SPMRM), consider the following statements :

1. SPMRM is a Central Sector Scheme.
2. Provision of Urban Amenities to Rural Areas (PURA) project was the predecessor to Rurban Mission.
3. Clusters based development is the main component of the Mission.
4. Identification of the clusters is the responsibility of the State Government.

Which of the statement (s) given above is/are NOT correct?

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

25. With reference to the Dedicated Freight Corridor (DFCs), consider the following statements:

1. The Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor (EDFC) runs from Dankuni in West Bengal to Rewari in Haryana.
2. Dedicated Freight Corridors are being developed under the aegis of the Ministry of Railways.
3. The majority of the funding for the project is coming from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the UNDP.

Which of the statement (s) given above is/are correct?

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

26. Consider the following statements:

1. The World Health Organization prepares the Global Health Security Index.
2. India has been ranked at 52nd in the Global Health Security Index, 2019.

Which of the statement (s) 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 Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2015, consider the following statements:

1. Through this act, the Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) was made a statutory body to enable it to perform its function more effectively.
2. The Act made the district magistrate final authority to decide on the issue of adoption.

Which of the statement (s) given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 or 2

28. Consider the following statements:

1. The gold standard was the basis for the world's currencies before World War I.
2. India's Forex Reserve includes gold along with Foreign Currency Assets and Special Drawing Rights.

Which of the statement (s) given above is/are NOT correct?

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

29. With reference to the Habitable-Zone Planet Finder (HPF), consider the following statements:

1. The HPF has confirmed its first exoplanet called G 9-40b, orbiting a M-dwarf star.
2. The HPF is an astronomical spectrograph.
3. The HPF was designed to detect and characterise planets in the habitable-zone around the M dwarf stars.
4. The Sun is considered as the M dwarf star.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

30. With reference to the 5G Technology, consider the following statements :

1. 5G technology provides a download speed of 1 Gbps, which is at least 100 times the existing data speeds.
2. 5G technology increases energy efficiency and offers more stable network connections.
3. Disadvantage of the 5G technology is that it has relatively less coverage area due to increased bandwidth.

Which of the statement (s) given above is/are correct?

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

31. With reference to G20, consider the following statements:

1. The G20 is an informal group of 19 countries and the European Union.
2. It is headquartered at Brussels in Belgium.
3. Saudi Arabia is the first Arab nation to hold the G20 presidency for 2020.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

32. Consider the following statements:

1. The inscriptions issued by the Kushan rulers included texts only in Prakrit written in Brāhmī or Kharoṣṭhī script.
2. The fourth Buddhist Council took place under the patronage of Kushan Ruler, Kanishka.
3. Ashvaghosha, who was part of the fourth Buddhist Council, had written Buddhacharita.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

33. Consider the following statements:

1. The Supreme Court has an exclusive jurisdiction with respect to the enforcement of fundamental rights.
2. The judges of the Supreme Court hold their office during the pleasure of the President.

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. With reference to 'A Future for the World's Children' report, consider the following statements:

1. The report measures the chances of survival and well-being for children of the present generation only.
2. The leading countries in the index for survival, health, education and nutrition rates of children also have less CO2 per capita emission than their 2030 target.

Which of the statement (s) 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 pairs:

Tiger Reserve

State

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| 1. Pakhui | — West Bengal |
| 2. Nameri | — Arunachal Pradesh |
| 3. Anshi-Dandeli | — Tamil Nadu |
| 4. Kawal | — Telangana |

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

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

36. Consider the following statements:

1. Kalasa and Banduri are tributaries of the Mahadayi river.
2. The parties to the Mahadayi Water Disputes Tribunal include Goa and Karnataka only.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 or 2

37. With reference to Olive Ridley Turtles, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Olive Ridley Turtles are the smallest and most abundant of all sea turtles found in the world.
2. They are Critically Endangered according to the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN).
3. They are best known for their unique mass nesting called Arribada.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below :

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

38. With reference to the 'Consultative Committees', consider the following statements:

1. These are the same as the Parliamentary Committees.
2. These are chaired by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

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. Consider the following statements about Hampi:

1. Hampi was the capital of the Vakataka Dynasty, located in the Tungabhadra basin in Central Karnataka.
2. Temples of Hampi are noted for their large dimensions, bold and delicate carvings related to the Mahayana Buddhism.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 or 2

40. Consider the following statements about the National Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasting (NCMRWF):

1. It functions under the ambit of the Ministry of Science & Technology.
2. NCMRWF aims to develop advanced numerical weather prediction systems, with increased reliability and accuracy over India and neighbouring regions.
3. Medium-Range Weather Forecasting provides information 30 days to 2 years in advance.

Which of the statement (s) given above is/are correct?

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

41. Mukundra Tiger Reserve, recently seen in the news, is located in
 (a) Madhya Pradesh (b) Rajasthan
 (c) Odisha (d) Gujarat
42. With reference to Yakshagana, which of the following statements are correct?
 1. It is performed with massive headgears, elaborate facial make-up and vibrant costumes and ornaments.
 2. It is performed with percussion instruments like chenda, maddalam etc .
 3. It is performed only by men.
 Select the correct answer using the codes given below :
 (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 1, 2 and 3 (d) None of the above is correct
43. With reference to Convention on Conservation of Migratory Species (CMS), which of the following statements are correct?
 1. It works under the aegis of the United Nations Environment Programme.
 2. It provides a global platform for the conservation and sustainable use of migratory animals and their habitats.
 3. India has been a Party to the CMS since 2014.
 Select the correct answer using the codes given below :
 (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
44. Consider the following statements:
 1. The World Air Quality Report is released by the Health Effects Institute.
 2. In India, pollution reduction in 2019 is solely attributed to the implementation of the National Clean Air Programme.
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
 (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
45. Consider the following statements:
 1. Singur Dam is a reservoir on the Manjeera river.
 2. Manjeera river is a tributary of Krishna river.
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
 (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
46. Exercise 'Indradhanush', recently seen in the news, was conducted between:
 (a) India and UK
 (b) Indian and the USA
 (c) India and Russia
 (d) India and Japan
47. With reference to the 'Surrogacy (Regulation) Bill, 2020', consider the following statements:
 1. It bans commercial surrogacy and allows altruistic surrogacy.
 2. Single women (widow or a divorcee) are not allowed to avail of surrogacy.
 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
48. Consider the following pairs:

<i>Space Mission</i>	<i>Related Planet</i>
1. InSight	— Earth
2. Juno	— Jupiter
3. Osiris - REx	— Asteroid Ryugu
4. Hayabusa 2	— Asteroid Bennu

 Which of the pair(s) given above is/are correct?
 (a) 1 and 4 only (b) 2 only
 (c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
49. Consider the following statements:
 1. Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) is the amount of dissolved oxygen used by microorganisms to metabolize organic matter present in water.
 2. The more the organic matter in water, lower is the amount of dissolved oxygen available for fishes.
 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 the 'InSight Mars mission', consider the following statements:
 1. It is the first mission dedicated to look deep beneath the Martian surface.
 2. It is a part of NASA's Discovery Programme (1992).
 3. It can help to understand how celestial bodies with rocky surfaces, including Earth and Moon, were formed.
 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
51. Consider the following statements:
 1. Biofuels can be produced from waste feedstocks.
 2. Biofuels emit less carbon dioxide than conventional fuels.
 3. Biodiesel is a second-generation biofuel.
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 (a) 2 only (b) 3 only
 (c) 1 and 2 only (d) 2 and 3 only

52. With reference to the '1000 Springs Initiatives', consider the following statements:
1. It was launched by the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation.
 2. It aims at improving access to safe and adequate water for the tribal communities.
- 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. With reference to 'swell surge', consider the following statements:
1. They take place without any warning.
 2. During the event, the sea surges into the land and inundates vast area.
 3. They are caused by meteorological conditions.
- 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
54. With reference to the 'Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme', consider the following statements:
1. It is a credit-linked subsidy scheme where subsidy up to 45% is provided by the Government.
 2. Khadi and Village Industries Commission is the nodal implementing agency at the national and state levels.
- 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
55. Consider the following statements:
1. Mutual Legal Assistance Treaties allow for the exchange of information in criminal and related matters between the signing countries.
 2. Till date, there is no such treaty between 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
56. GATI Scheme recently seen in the news is related to
- (a) Enhancing the speed of Railways
(b) Speedy trials for rape cases
(c) 5G technology in hilly areas
(d) Gender equality in STEM
57. With reference to the Project Monitoring Group (PMG), consider the following statements:
1. It is an institutional mechanism for the expedited resolution of regulatory bottlenecks in projects with investments upward of Rs. 100 Crores in India.
 2. It works under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.
- 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. With reference to the Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMPADA Yojana, consider the following statements:
1. It is implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare.
 2. It is a central sector 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
59. With reference to Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs), consider the following statements:
1. They act as a bridge between the laboratories and farmland.
 2. They are 100% financed by the Government of India.
 3. They help to fulfil the target of doubling farmers' income by 2022.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
60. With reference to mission Purvodaya, consider the following statements:
1. It was launched by the Ministry of Mines.
 2. It will ease the set up of Greenfield steel plants.
 3. It will help in India's march towards a \$5 trillion economy.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3

Answers

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