

Current Affairs MCQ (Consolidation)

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Drishti, 641, First Floor, Dr. Mukherjee Nagar, Delhi-110009 Phone: 87501 87501, WhatsApp: 92058 85200, IVR: 8010 440 440 Email: engweb@groupdrishti.com 1. With reference to 'Biofertilizers', which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?

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- 1. They form a mutually beneficial or symbiotic relationship with host plants as they grow in the soil.
- 2. They increase the nitrogen and phosphorus available to plants more naturally than other fertilizers.
- 3. There is no need for adequate nutrients in the soil for biofertilizer organisms to thrive and work.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only (b) 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 2. Consider the following pairs:
 - 1. Pakal Dul: Jhelum river
 - 2. Mullaperiyar Dam: Periyar River
 - 3. Polavaram project: Godavari River

Which of the pairs given above is/are NOT correctly matched?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
 (b) 2 only
 (c) 1 only
 (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 3. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Fecal glucocorticoid metabolite (fGCM) is a marker of stress in individual tigers.
 - 2. Chronically elevated fecal glucocorticoid metabolite (fGCM) levels can cause muscular atrophy.
 - 3. Muscle atrophy is defined as a decrease in the mass of the muscle, which can be a partial or complete wasting away of muscle.

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
- 4. With reference to the 'Rotavirus', consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a non-contagious disease that can't spread easily from person to person.
 - 2. It can cause diarrhea, which can lead to dehydration (not having enough water in the body)
 - 3. It attacks the villus tip of small intestine, and obstructs digestion and absorption.

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

(a) 1 only	(b)	2 only
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- (c) 3 only (d) None
- 5. Common Lineblue and Dark Cerulean, sometimes mentioned in the news, are species of
 - (a) Butterflies (b) Monitor Lizard
 - (c) Turtles (d) Vultures

- 6. With reference to 'The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2019' report, which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?
 - The World Bank in collaboration with United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) has prepared the report.
 - 2. The report has projected that undernutrition will reduce Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by up to 11 % in Africa and Asia.
 - 3. According to the report, prevalence of undernourishment in India declined from 22.2% in 2004-06 to 14.5% between 2016 and 2018.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only (b) 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 7. Consider the following pairs:
 - 1. Markandeshwar Temple: Gujarat
 - 2. Dashavatara Temple: Uttar Pradesh
 - 3. Chausanth Yogini temple: Madhya Pradesh

Which of the pairs given above is/are NOT correctly matched?

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 8. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Puducherry strain is variant of Aedes aegypti mosquito.
 - 2. Aedes aegypti mosquito is the main vector that transmits the viruses that cause chikungunya.
 - 3. The Wolbachia controls the multiplication of the virus in its host Aedes aegypti, which is primarily responsible for the cause of dengue fever.

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
- 9. With reference to the 'White Label ATM (WLA)', consider the following statements:
 - Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) set up, owned and operated by non-bank entities are called "White Label ATMs" (WLAs).
 - 2. White Label ATMs are like normal ATMs in which cash deposit or cash acceptance facility is permitted.
 - 3. In September 2015, Government permitted Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), up to 100%, under the automatic route in WLAs.

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 only (d) None

- 10. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The theme of 2019 International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking is 'Health for Justice, Justice for Health'.
 - 2. In India, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has begun implementation of a National Action Plan for Drug Demand Reduction (NAPDDR) for 2018-2025.
 - 3. NAPDDR aims at reduction of adverse consequences of drug abuse through a multi-pronged strategy involving education, de-addiction and rehabilitation of affected individuals and their families.

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
- 11. With reference to 'Ebola Virus Disease' which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?
 - 1. It is transmitted to people from wild animals and spreads in the human population through human to human transmission.
 - 2. Fruit bats of the Pteropodidae family are natural hosts of Ebola virus.
 - 3. Bacillus Calmette Guerin Vaccine is the only available vaccine against the virus.

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Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

- 12. With reference to the 'Seva Bhoj Yojna'', consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is being administered by the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution since 2018.
 - 3 It is a Centrally sponsored scheme which provides reimbursement of Central share of Central Goods and Services Tax (CGST) and Integrated Goods and Service Tax (IGST) on food/prasad/langar/bhandara offered by charitable religious institutions.
 - 3. The Charitable Religious Institutions distributing free food in the form of 'prasad', 'langar'/bhandara (community kitchen) to at least 5000 persons in a calendar month for at least the past 3 years are eligible for the scheme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

13. Consider the following statements:

- Spent Pot Lining (SPL) has been classified as a hazardous waste under the Hazardous Waste Management Rules, 2016.
- 2. Spent Pot Lining is produced by the smelting plants and can cause Silicosis disease.

3. Most SPL is currently stored at the aluminium smelter sites or placed in landfills.

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

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 only (d) 1 and 2 only
- 14. 'Ploonets', sometimes mentioned in the news are-
 - (a) Orphaned moons
 - (b) Shooting stars
 - (c) Asteroids
 - (d) CubeSats
- 15. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Ministry of Culture's campaign, 'Find the Incredible you' has been declared the winner of PATA (Pacific Asia Travel Association) Gold Award 2019.
 - The campaign received PATA award in the "Marketing - Primary Government Destination" category.
 - 'Find the Incredible you' campaign focuses on digital and social media and the promotion of Niche Tourism products of the country.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 16. With reference to 'Rhesus Macaque' which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?
 - 1. The Union Environment Ministry has declared Rhesus Macaque as 'vermin' in Himachal Pradesh recently.
 - 2. Rhesus Macaque are protected species under Schedule II of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
 - 3. It has near threatened status in the IUCN red list.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only (b) 3 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only (d) 2 and 3 only
- 17. With reference to the scheme 'Paramarsh', consider the following statements:
 - 1. The scheme has been launched by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE).
 - It is a University Grants Commission (UGC) scheme for Mentoring National Accreditation and Assessment Council (NAAC) Accreditation Aspirant Institutions to promote Quality Assurance in Higher Education.
 - The scheme will be operationalized through a "Hub & Spoke" model wherein the Mentor Institution, called the "Hub" is centralized.

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

- 18. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Article 242 empowers President to declare communities as scheduled tribes while Parliament by law can amend the scheduled tribes list.
 - 2. According to Census 2011, tribes constitute 18.6% of total population in the country.
 - 3. Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship Scheme (RGNF) was introduced in 2005-2006 to encourage the Schedule Tribe students to pursue higher education.

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

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

19. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Internet Saathi Programme is a joint initiative of Tata Trusts and Google, which aims to bridge the online gender divide in rural India.
- 2. It is based on the 'train the trainer' model.
- 3. Digital adoption in India is now being propelled by rural India, registering a 35% growth in internet users over the past year.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

20. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Palau is 76th country to sign the International Solar Alliance (ISA) framework agreement.
- 2. Palau, is a country in the eastern Pacific Ocean.
- 3. The ISA was jointly launched by India and France at the UN Climate Change Conference at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in November 2015.

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
- 21. With reference to the 'one stop centre' scheme, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The scheme is a sub-scheme under National Mission for Empowerment of Women.
 - 2. It aims to provide integrated support and assistance under one roof to women affected by violence, both in private and public spaces.
 - 3. The funding of the scheme will be shared by both Central and State governments.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 22. With reference to 'Hangul', which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. It is a species of red deer found in the Dachigam Wildlife Sanctuary located in J&K.
 - 2. It listed as Vulnerable in IUCN Red List.
 - 3. It is the state animal of Jammu and Kashmir.

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
- 23. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The office of Whip is created by an act of Parliament.
 - 2. The speaker/chairman of the house act as a tribunal while dealing with the matter of defection.
 - 3. The Tenth Schedule of the Indian Constitution deals with anti-defection law.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only (d) 1 and 2 only
- 24. The term "Ramanujan machine", recently seen in news, is related to:
 - (a) It is a piece of space equipment used by ISRO in Chandrayan-II mission.
 - (b) It is the fastest supercomputer of India developed by C-DAC.
 - (c) It is an algorithm developed by researchers from Israel dedicated to finding conjectures.
 - (d) It is a mathematical model developed by the India Meteorological Department used for monsoon prediction.
- 25. With reference to Urban Haat, consider the following statement:
 - 1. It is an initiative of the Ministry of Textile.
 - 2. It aims to eliminate middle agencies to provide direct market access to weavers and artisans.

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. With reference to 'Antibiotics' which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?
 - 1. These are chemical substances, produced by some microbes and can kill or retard the growth of other (disease-causing) microbes.
 - 2. Prontosil was the first antibiotic to be discovered.
 - 3. A new class of antibiotics, known as class II Polyketides are produced by using robotics to engineer Escherichia coli (E. coli), a common gut bacterium.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

- 27. Consider the following statements:
 - Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle Mark III (GSLV Mk III) is a four-stage heavy-lift launch vehicle developed by ISRO.
 - 2. GSLV Mk III is designed to carry 2 ton class of satellites into Low Earth Orbit (LEO).
 - 3. Chandrayaan-1 mission was launched by using the rocket GSLV MK I.

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

- (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 28. 'Bhaba Kavach', sometimes mentioned in the news is a-
 - (a) Bullet proof jacket
 - (b) Ballistic Missile Defence System
 - (c) Anti Tank Missile
 - (d) Anti Nuclear Medical Kit
- 29. Consider the following pairs:
 - 1. Ratapani Wildlife Sanctuary: Gujarat
 - 2. Phen Wildlife Sanctuary: Madhya Pradesh
 - 3. Changtang Wildlife Sanctuary: Jammu and Kashmir

Which of the pairs given above is/are NOT correctly matched?

(a)	1 only	(b)	2 only
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- (c) 3 only (d) 1 and 2 only
- 30. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Electronically Transmitted Postal Ballot System enables the entitled service voters to cast their vote from their preferred location.
 - 2. Individuals working in central forces under arms act and government officials deployed in embassies outside the country are classified as service voters.
 - 3. The wife or son/daughter of a service voter can not be enrolled as a service voter.

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
- 31. With reference to 'Chandrayaan-2 ' which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?
 - It has been launched by the Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV MkIII-M1).
 - 2. It is India's second mission to the moon and comprises an indigenous Lander and Rover only.
 - 3. After the launch, India became the third country (after Russia and USA) to land a rover on the moon.

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
- 32. Consider the following statements:
 - Swadesh Darshan Scheme is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme launched by the Ministry of Tourism (MoT) in 2017-18 for integrated development of theme based tourist circuits in the country.
 - Swadesh Darshan Scheme has overall included 10 Theme based circuits including North-Western, Ganga, Urban circuits.
 - 3. The Kakinada Hope Island in Andhra Pradesh has been developed as a World Class Coastal & Eco Tourism Circuit under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme.

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

- (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 33. 'JATAN', sometimes mentioned in the news is a -
 - (a) Virtual Museum Software
 - (b) Women Safety App
 - (c) MSME Trade Portal
 - (d) Free Educational Direct to Home (DTH) Channel.
- 34. With reference to the 'Sarus Crane', consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is the shortest flying bird in the world and was declared as the state bird of Madhya Pradesh in 2014.
 - 2. It is listed as endangered in the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) red list.
 - 3. It is listed under the schedule IV of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

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

- (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only (d) None

35. Consider the following statements:

- The blockchain is an open and distributed ledger on which new transactions and data can be added but past data cannot be erased.
- 2. A cryptocurrency is a virtual currency that uses cryptography for security and is generally based on blockchain technology.
- 3. Subhash Chandra Garg Committee on Virtual Currency has recommended the banning of all private cryptocurrencies.

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

- 36. With reference to 'World Economic Outlook ' which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?
 - 1. It is released by the World Bank.
 - 2. According to the World Economic Outlook, July 2019, India's economy is projected to grow at 7% in 2019.
 - 3. July 2019 edition of the report has projected Global growth at 3.2% in 2019, picking up to 3.5% in 2020.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (c) 1 and 3 only (d) 2 and 3 only
- 37. With reference to the 2011 Census migration data, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Uttar Pradesh and Bihar have a disproportionately high number of out-migrants.
 - 2. Delhi and Mumbai are widely considered migrant magnets as migrants from other states are almost a third of the combined population of 29.2 million in these two metropolises.
 - 3. Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh account for 50% of India's total inter-state migrants.

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

- 38. With reference to the 'Bharatmala Project', consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is the second largest highway construction project in the country since National Highways Development Project (NHDP).
 - 2. It is an umbrella program for the shipping sector that focuses on optimizing efficiency of freight and passenger movement across the country.
 - 3. The project also calls for seamless connectivity with neighboring countries and satellite mapping of corridors to identify upgradation requirement.

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

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only (d) None

39. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Total Fertility Rate (TFR) indicates the average number of children expected to be born to a woman during her reproductive span of 15-49 years.
- 2. According to the latest government data, India's TFR is nearing the replacement rate of 2.1.
- 3. The replacement level is the number of children needed to replace the parents, after accounting for fatalities, skewed sex ratio, infant mortality, etc.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 40. Consider the following pairs:
 - 1. Aaykar Diwas : July 14
 - 2. Ayushman Bharat Diwas : April 30
 - 3. National Panchayati Raj Day : April 24

Which of the pairs given above is/are NOT correctly matched?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 only (d) 1 and 2 only
- 41. With reference to 'Global Innovation Index (GII)' which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?
 - It has been released by the World Bank with theme 'Creating Healthy Lives-The Future of Technical Innovation'.
 - 2. India has risen 29 spots in the Index in last 5 years from 81 in 2014 to 52 in 2019.
 - 3. India improved its ranking in four out of seven pillars of GII, such as knowledge and technology outputs, market sophistication, human capital and research and institutions.

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
- 42. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The report, 'Research and Development (R&D) Expenditure Ecosystem' is released by the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM).
 - 2. The report has laid down the final objective for achieving the desired target of R&D spend by the year 2022 as 5% of the GDP.
 - 3. EAC-PM is an independent statutory body constituted to give advice on economic and related issues to the Government of India, specifically to the Prime Minister.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 only	(b) 1 and 2 only
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- (c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 43. With reference to the 'National Institute for Medical Statistics (NIMS)', consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is one of the permanent institutes of 'Council of Scientific and Industrial Research' (CSIR), New Delhi.
 - 2. The Institute came into existence in the year 1977 with the mandate to provide technical expertise on research methodology, programme evaluation, mathematical modeling, data analysis etc.
 - 3. It is the National Nodal Agency for the implementation of Integrated Disease Surveillance Project (IDSP)-Non-Communicable Disease (IDSP- NCD) risk factor survey.

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

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- 44. With reference to the 'Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is an attached office of the Ministry of Finance which came into existence in January 1965.
 - It is mandated to recommend Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) to incentivize the cultivators to adopt modern technology, and raise productivity and overall grain production in line with the emerging demand patterns in the country.
 - 3. It is an advisory body whose recommendations are not binding on Government.

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

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only (d) None
- 45. Consider the following statements:
 - Based on the Gaia space observatory data, the scientists have observed that the Milky Way merged with another smaller galaxy in a cosmic collision roughly 10 billion years ago.
 - 2. NASA's Gaia telescope is an ambitious mission to chart a three-dimensional map of our Galaxy, the Milky Way.
 - Galaxies of all types, including the Milky Way, began to form relatively soon after the Big Bang explosion that marked the beginning of the universe some 13.8 billion years ago.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 only	(b) 1 and 3 only
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- (c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 46. With reference to 'National Commission for Protection of Child Rights' (NCPCR) which of the following statements is/ are NOT correct?
 - 1. It was set up in March 2007 under the Commissions for Protection of Child Rights (CPCR) Act, 2005.
 - 2. It is under the administrative control of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).
 - It is mandated to monitor implementation of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 2 and 3 only

47. Consider the following statements:

- Account Aggregator is a process by which information collected in one place can disseminate to all individual accounts.
- 'Sahamati' is a collective of Account Aggregator (AA) ecosystem, which aims to make bank account operations paperless.

3. The architecture of AA is based on the Data Empowerment and Protection Architecture (DEPA) framework.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 3 only (d) 2 and 3 only
- 48. With reference to the latest bulletin of the 'Sample Registration System', consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Infant Mortality Rate (IMR), fell from 58% in 2008 to 37% in 2017 in rural areas, while birth rate came down to 21.8% from 24.4% during the same period in those areas.
 - 2. Between 2007 to 2017, the Death rate has declined higher in rural areas (around 14.5%) than in urban areas (10.5%).
 - 3. On healthcare indicators Assam fares the best, with the lowest death rate and the lowest birth rate.
 - 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
- 49. 'Osaka Track', sometimes mentioned in the news is a-
 - (a) Framework to promote cross-border data flow.
 - (b) Framework to promote Intellectual property regime.
 - (c) Bilateral trade agreement between U.S and Japan.
 - (d) Multilateral Agreement on Investment.
- 50. Consider the following pairs:
 - 1. Operastion Vijay: Maldives
 - 2. Operation Polo : Princely state of Hyderabad
 - 3. Operation Meghdoot : Siachen

Which of the pairs given above is/are NOT correctly matched?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 only (d) 1 and 2 only
- 51. With reference to 'Scheme for Protection and Preservation of Endangered Languages (SPPEL),' which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?
 - 1. It was instituted by the Ministry of Minority Affairs (Government of India) in 2013.
 - The sole objective of the Scheme is to document and archive the country's languages that have become endangered or likely to be endangered in the near future.
 - 3. The scheme is monitored by Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL) located in Mysuru, Karnataka.

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

- 52. Consider the following statements:
 - The International Charter 'Space and Major Disasters' is a worldwide collaboration, through which satellite data are made available for the benefit of disaster management.
 - 2. In addition to the space agencies that form the Charter, national and regional disaster monitoring organisations also support the Charter's efforts as co-operating bodies.
 - 3. India being a member of the Charter, received a satellite data related to the Assam floods from other member nations including France, Russia and China.

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
- 53. 'mCessation Programme', sometimes mentioned in the news is related to
 - (a) Tobacco control (b) Institutional Delivery
 - (c) Child Labour (d) Population control
- 54. With reference to Corporate Social Responsibility, consider the following statements:
 - Companies earning profit of over Rs 5 crore, turnover of Rs 100 crore or networth of more than Rs 50 crore are required to shell out at least two percent of their three-year annual average net profit towards CSR activities.
 - 2. India is the first country to make CSR spending mandatory through a law.

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 'Be He@lthy, Be mobile' initiative, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a joint initiative of Government of India and the World Health Organization (WHO).
 - 2. Its objective is to scale up Mobile Health (mHealth) services for Non Communicable Diseases and their risk factors.

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. With reference to 'Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS)', which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?
 - The scheme to 'Promote Voluntary Action for Persons with Disabilities' was revised and renamed as the 'Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme' from April 2003.

- 2. DDRS is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Government of India
- 3. Under the scheme financial assistance is provided to NGOs working for education and rehabilitation of persons with disabilities.

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
- 57. Consider the following statements:
 - Under 'Iconic Tourist Sites' initiative, the Government of India will develop 17 'Iconic Tourist Sites' in the country as a world-class tourist destination which in turn would serve as a model for other tourism sites.
 - 2. The Ministry of Culture is the nodal ministry for the implementation of the initiative.
 - The monuments were taken up for development under the initiative fall under the jurisdiction of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) and State Archaeology Departments.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 3 only (d) 1 and 3
- 58. 'Microdots Technology', sometimes mentioned in the news is related to
 - (a) Vehicles Identification (b) Pollution Control
 - (c) Laser Printers (d) Precision Drug Delivery
- 59. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. India is the largest producer and second largest consumer of tea in the world.
 - 2. More than 50% of tea produced in India is exported.
 - 3. Tea Board India is a statutory body under the Ministry of Commerce.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 only (d) 1 and 3
- 60. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Federation of Obstetric and Gynaecological Societies of India and Abbott has launched 'Making India Thyroid Aware' campaign.
 - 2. Hypothyroidism, also called overactive thyroid, is a disorder of the endocrine system in which the thyroid gland produces too much thyroid hormone.
 - 3. The thyroid gland, located in the front of the neck below the Adam's apple is an essential organ for producing thyroid hormones.

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

- 1. It seeks to put in place a mechanism by which poor depositors will get back their hard-earned money.
- The Bill defines a deposit as an amount of money received in the form of loans from relatives and contributions towards capital by partners in any partnership firm.
- 3. The bill defines a deposit-taking scheme as unregulated if it is taken for a business purpose and is not registered with the regulators.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

62. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Global Tiger Day is celebrated annually on June 29th.
- 2. India accounts for majority of the 3,500-odd tigers that are scattered among several other countries of Asia.
- 3. As per latest Tiger Census, India has missed the target of doubling the tiger count by deadline of 2019.

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
- 63. The project 'Kan Sikul, Kan Huan', sometimes mentioned in the news is related to
 - (a) Fight malnutrition among children
 - (b) Pollution Control
 - (c) Biodiversity Conservation
 - (d) Rain Water Harvesting

64. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Anti dumping is a measure to rectify the situation arising out of the dumping of goods and its trade distortive effect.
- 2. The use of anti dumping measures as an instrument of fair competition is permitted by the WTO.
- 3. In India, while the Department of Revenue recommends the anti-dumping duty, it is the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, which levies such duty.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

65. Consider the following statements:

1. Earth Overshoot Day is computed by dividing the planet's biocapacity by humanity's Ecological Footprint and multiplying by the number of days in a year.

- 2. Earth Overshoot Day is hosted and calculated by Global Footprint Network.
- 3. Global Footprint Network provides decision-makers with a menu of tools to help the human economy operate within the Earth's ecological limits.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 only (b	(b) 1 and 2 only
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- (c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 66. With reference to the 'Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite (TESS)', which of the following statements is/are NOT correct?
 - 1. TESS is European Space Agency (ESA) mission, an all-sky survey for transiting exoplanets.
 - 2. It was launched in 2018 aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket out of Cape Canaveral.
 - 3. Recently, it has discovered a new planetary system called TESS Object of Interest (TOI) 270.

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

67. Consider the following statements:

- The Code on Wages Bill, 2019 seeks to ensure 'Right to Sustenance' for every worker and intends to increase the legislative protection of minimum wage.
- According to the bill, wages include salary and bonus payable to labour or any traveling allowance, among others.
- 3. Labour is a subject under State List of the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India.

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
- 68. With reference to 'Consumer Protection Bill, 2019', which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. The bill seeks to bring in e-commerce under their jurisdiction and hold celebrities accountable for false and misleading advertisements of products that they endorse.
 - The bill proposes strict action against the advertiser and media through which the advertisement is being publicised.
 - 3. It also provides for product liability action on account of harm caused to consumers due to defective products or deficient services.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

- 69. With reference to the 'Automated Multi-modal Biometric Identification System' (AMBIS), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is an advanced crime detection system.
 - 2. It comprises a computer terminal, a camera, and iris, fingerprint, and palm scanners.
 - 3. While AMBIS provides only one-to-one fingerprint matches, multimodal matches are possible with Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS).

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

- 70. Consider the following statements:
 - Recently, the RBI has permitted External Commercial Borrowing (ECB) for on-lending by Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs) for the repayment of rupee loans.
 - NBFC include any institution whose principal business is that of agriculture activity, industrial activity, purchase or sale of any goods or providing any services.
 - NBFCs lend and make investments, accept demand deposits and hence their activities are akin to that of banks.

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

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