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(Part-II)**

1. Which of the following rivers is NOT the tributary of Cauvery river?

- (a) Koyana (b) Kabini
(c) Harangi (d) Shimsa

2. Consider the following statements:

- The objective of KUSUM Scheme is to provide financial and water security to farmers through harnessing solar energy.
- India Renewable Idea Exchange (IRIX) is a platform that promotes the exchange of ideas among the Government of India and Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

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

3. With reference to the mountain passes, consider the following pairs:

Mountain pass **Link/features**

- Zoji La pass : Connects Ladakh with Shimla
- Banihal pass : Connects Jammu with Kashmir valley
- Khardung La pass : Highest motorable pass in the world
- Jelep La pass : Connects Tawang with Guwahati

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

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

4. Which of the following is NOT a subtype of Nagara style of temple architecture?

- (a) Rekha (b) Phamsana
(c) Valabhi (d) Hoysala

5. Consider the following statements:

- Strategic Forces Command is the only tri-service command in the country.
- The mandate of the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) includes establishment of joint/theatre commands.

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

6. With reference to "superhydrophobic coating", which of the following statements are correct?

- The superhydrophobic coating is a nanoscopic surface layer.
- Adding a superhydrophobic coating makes a surface water repellent.

3. Lotus leaf has a superhydrophobic coating.

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

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

7. Consider the following statements:

- The Jal Marg Vikas Project is being implemented and wholly financed by the Government of India.
- National Waterway-2, Dhubri to Sadiya is the longest waterway of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

8. ROTTO-SOTTO, sometimes seen in the news, is related to:

- (a) Robotics
(b) Spacecraft
(c) Organ donation and transplantation
(d) Ballistic missile

9. With reference to 'classical languages of India', consider the following statements:

- Tamil, Sanskrit and Hindi are the classical languages.
- All the classical languages are mentioned in Schedule 8 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

10. With reference to the 'Unnat Bharat Abhiyan', consider the following statements:

- It is being implemented by the Ministry for Human Resource Development (MHRD).
- It intends to promote female literacy in rural as well as urban areas of the country.

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. With reference to the Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram (RKSK), consider the following statements:

- It is a collaborative effort of the Ministry of Women and Child Development with the Ministry of Health and Family welfare.
- It intends to ensure holistic development of the adolescent population.
- It defines an adolescent as a person within 10-16 years of age.
- The adolescent under RKSK includes both girls and boys, married and unmarried whether they are in school or out of school.

Which of the following statements is /are NOT correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 (b) 1 and 3
(c) 2 and 4 (d) None of the above

12. Consider the following statements:

- Reduction in the numbers of blood platelets can lead to clotting disorders.
- Haemophilia is a genetic bleeding disorder where the blood doesn't clot properly.
- Hemostat materials help in blood clotting.

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

13. With reference to National Backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation

(NBCFDC), consider the following statements:

- It is a constitutional body under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
- It investigates and monitors all matters relating to the safeguards provided for the socially and educationally backward classes under the Constitution.
- It helps the poorer section of Backward Classes in skill development.

Which of the statements given above is / are correct?

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

14. With reference to 'Payment Aggregators (PAs)', consider the following statements:

- These are the entities that facilitate e-commerce sites in accepting payment instruments from the customers.
- In India, only banks provide payment aggregator services.

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

15. Consider the following statements:

- The target of achieving zero hunger requires only addressing the issue of hunger.
- Undernourishment, child stunting, child wasting and child mortality are the key indicators of the Global Hunger Index.
- POSHAN Abhiyaan seeks to ensure a malnutrition free India by 2030.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

16. With reference to the Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana (RVY), consider the following statements:

- It is a centrally sponsored scheme funded with 50:50 share between centre and states.
- It aims to provide aids and assistive living devices to all senior citizens in the country.
- The scheme is being implemented by Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO), which is a public sector undertaking under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

Which of the following statements is /are correct?

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

17. Consider the following statements:

- In dealing with the matters under the Anti Defection Law the Speaker acts as a quasi-judicial body.
- The Ninth Schedule of the Constitution deals with the Anti Defection Law.
- The decision of the Speaker under the Anti Defection Law is immune to judicial review.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

18. Which of the following tools are used by the RBI to adjust the liquidity in the market ?

- Open Market Operations
- Tax cut on interest income
- Cash Reserve Ratio
- Statutory Liquidity Ratio

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

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

19. With reference to the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority, consider the following statements:

- It is a statutory body functioning under the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare.
- It is entrusted with the responsibility of monitoring import of sugar in the country.

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. With reference to the 'UN Security Council', consider the following statements:

1. It is one of the principal organs of the United Nations.
2. Only the US and Russia have veto powers in the Council.
3. Concurring vote of all the permanent members of the Council is necessary to take any substantive decision.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

21. Consider the following statements about GreenCo Rating System:

1. It is a Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) initiative to rate private sector companies on pollution.
2. Its mission is to facilitate Indian industry to make a substantial improvement in their environmental performance.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

22. With reference to the School Health Programmes (SHP), consider the following statements:

1. The School Health Programme (SHP) under Ayushman Bharat was launched in 2018.
2. It is implemented by the Ministry of Human Resource Development only.
3. It also covers HIV prevention, safety and security against violence and use of social media.

Which of the following statements is /are correct?

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

23. The "Key World Energy Statistics" is a publication produced by which of the following?

- (a) International Energy Agency
(b) International Renewable Energy Agency
(c) World Energy Council
(d) OPEC

24. Consider the following statements:

1. Muslims, Sikhs, Christians, Buddhists, Jains and Zoroastrians (Parsis) are the only notified minority communities in India.
2. Article 30 of the Indian constitution defines minority as a community notified as such by the Central government.

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

25. Consider the following statements:

1. Water is a subject that comes under the Concurrent List.
2. The National Aquifer Mapping and Management program (NAQUIM) is being implemented by the Central Water 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

26. ARPIT sometimes seen in the news, is related to

- (a) Voluntary donations to National Defence Fund
(b) Training for higher education faculties
(c) Fund established by SAARC countries to fight epidemics
(d) Distribution of required aids to differently abled in the country

27. With reference to "House Sparrow", consider the following statements:

1. It is categorised as Endangered as per the Red List of IUCN.
2. It is native to India.
3. It mostly inhabits dense forests of Western Ghats.

Which of the above statements is/are NOT correct?

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

28. With reference to the 'Minor Forest Produce (MFP)', consider the following statements:

1. The Minimum Support Price (MSP) for MFP is announced by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.
2. Bamboo has been categorised as an MFP.
3. Van Dhan Vikas Karyakram focuses on building capacity of MFP gatherers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

29. Consider the following statements:

1. Equinox is the only time when both hemispheres of the earth experience roughly equal amounts of daytime and nighttime.
2. In the Southern Hemisphere, the vernal equinox is observed around 21st March.

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 statements with reference to Mamallapuram:
1. The city is famous for temples and monuments, chief of which is the sculptured rock relief popularly known as Arjuna's Penance.
 2. The city was founded by the rulers of the Chola dynasty.
 3. The city lies around the Malabar coast.
- 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
49. With reference to the 'Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP)', consider the following statements:
1. It has replaced the Merchandise Export from India Scheme (MEIS).
 2. It allows only remission of state duties on exports.
- 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. MACS 4028, recently seen in the news, is a?
- (a) Fighter jet imported from Russia
 - (b) Rover for Chandrayaan-II
 - (c) Biofortified durum wheat variety
 - (d) COVID-19 testing kit
51. With reference to the 'PM Gareeb Kalyan Yojana', consider the following statements:
1. Insurance cover of Rs 50 lakh per health worker fighting COVID-19 will be provided.
 2. Only people covered under the National Food Security Act to get 5 kg wheat or rice free for the next three months.
 3. Wages under the MGNREGA have been doubled.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 2 only (b) 1 and 2 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 2 and 3 only
52. With reference to the Eklavya Model Residential Schools, consider the following statements:
1. These are funded by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation.
 2. They focus on the primary education of the children belonging to Scheduled Castes and Schedule Tribes.
- 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. With reference to the G20, consider the following statements:
1. Spain has become the latest member to join the grouping.
 2. The Sherpa track of G20 focuses on issues like political engagement and development of members.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
54. With reference to the Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY), consider the following statements:
1. It is a Centrally sponsored scheme.
 2. It aims to correct the regional imbalances in availability of affordable/reliable tertiary level healthcare in the country in general.
 3. It aids in the up-gradation of several existing Government Medical Colleges/Institutions in different states in the country.
- 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
55. With reference to the Ribonucleic Acid (RNA), consider the following statements:
1. RNA is present in all biological cells.
 2. It is involved in the synthesis of proteins.
 3. In the novel coronavirus 2019-nCoV, RNA carries genetic information.
- 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
56. Consider the following statements:
1. Repo rate and reverse repo rate are part of RBI's Marginal Standing Facility (MSF).
 2. Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR) provides for the amount of money that banks need to set aside with the RBI.
- 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 has recently decided to participate in the World Health Organisation's Solidarity Trials.
 2. Solidarity trials are medical and monetary aids to countries which are in the third stage of COVID-19 infection.
- 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

58. Operation Namaste, recently seen in the news, is related to?
- Indian army's anti-COVID-19 campaign
 - India-China joint agreement on medical devices import
 - India's help mission sent to Italy
 - Airlifting of Indians from foreign nations
59. With respect to National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), consider the following statements:
- It aims to implement an integrated approach to Disaster Management in India.
 - It is a statutory body.
 - It is headed by the Minister of Home Affairs.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 only
 - 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3 only
60. The terms 'Arr-Rinam', 'Motor', 'Arrue' associated with tribal communities of Arunachal Pradesh refer to which of the following?
- Indigenous method of rice cultivation.
 - Harvest festivals
 - Religious practices in sacred groves
 - Quarantine rituals
61. With reference to the convalescent plasma therapy against coronavirus, consider the following statements:
- The convalescent plasma therapy seeks to make use of the antibodies developed in the recovered patient against the coronavirus.
 - It will be used for the first time to cure any viral disease.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
62. With reference to the PM-CARES Fund, consider the following statements:
- It is a fund to deal with COVID-19 pandemic only.
 - Contribution by the companies towards this Fund is considered as a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) expenditure under the Companies Act, 2013.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
63. Consider the following statements with reference to VIX index:
- It is an index used to measure volatility expectations of the markets.
 - India VIX has been established by SEBI.
 - VIX value is the important parameters that are taken into account for pricing of derivative instruments.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 1 and 2 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 2 and 3 only
64. With reference to the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act, consider the following statements:
- It aims to make the Central government responsible for long-term macro-economic stability.
 - Under the Act, the Centre can exceed the annual fiscal deficit target on the grounds of national calamity.
 - The escape clause under the act has been used for the first time during the Budget 2020-21.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
65. With reference to ozone, consider the following statements:
- It is found in both the stratosphere and the troposphere.
 - It is a secondary pollutant.
 - Tropospheric ozone is the result of chemical reactions in the absence of sunlight.
 - Ground level ozone is the least threatening pollutant.
- Which of the statements given above is/are NOT correct?
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 3 and 4 only
 - 1 and 4 only
66. Consider the following statements with respect to Kaveri river:
- It is a west flowing river.
 - It forms a delta.
 - Kabini and Periyar rivers are its tributaries.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 and 3 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 2 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
67. Recently, the Reserve Bank of India has enabled NRIs to invest in specified Government securities(G-secs) through Fully Accessible Route (FAR). Which of the following are the likely outcomes of the scheme?
- Indian G-secs would attract large funds from major global investors.
 - An increase in volatility in the inflow of foreign investment in government bonds.
 - Inclusion of Indian government securities in global bond indices.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below.
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3

68. With reference to treasury bills, consider the following statements:

1. They can be issued by the Central Government or the State Governments.
2. They possess no risk of default.
3. They are long term securities.

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

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

69. Consider the following statements:

1. TRAFFIC, the Wildlife Trade Monitoring Network, is a joint program of WWF and IUCN.
2. 'Earth Hour' and 'Earth Day' are the initiatives of the WWF.

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

70. With reference to Sodium hypochlorite, consider the following statements:

1. It is commonly used as a disinfectant.
2. It can be used to disinfect surfaces from coronavirus.
3. It is not harmful to humans.

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

Answers

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