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1. Consider the following statements:

1. INS Vikrant is India's first indigenously-built aircraft carrier.
2. Exercise MILAN 2024 is an annual bilateral exercise between India and Bangladesh.

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. Regarding the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), consider the following statements:

1. It is the global money laundering and terrorist financing watchdog set up out of a G-7 meeting of developed nations in Paris.
2. Recently, the United Arab Emirates (UAE) has been included in the FATF greylist.

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. Regarding Lokpal, consider the following statements:

1. The President appoints the chairperson and members of the Lokpal based on recommendations from a Selection Committee chaired by the Chief Justice of India (CJI).
2. The Lokpal can consist of a chairperson and eight members, with four being judicial and four non-judicial.

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. Regarding India's Spending on Research and Development (R&D), consider the following statements:

1. India's expenditure on R&D has increased in recent years as a percentage of GDP.
2. The Science, Technology, and Innovation Policy 2013 aimed to raise Gross Expenditure on Research and Development (GERD) to 2% of India's GDP.
3. Most developed countries allocate between 2% and 4% of their GDPs to R&D.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

5. Consider the following activities:

1. Agricultural Activities
2. Livestock Farming
3. Biomass Burning

How many of the above are sources of Nitrogen Pollution?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None of the above

6. Consider the following statements:

1. The GROW portal is hosted on the Bhuvan platform, ensuring universal access to state and district-level data related to agroforestry suitability.
2. The GROW portal utilises thematic datasets derived from remote sensing and Geographic Information System (GIS) technology.
3. The GROW report aims to facilitate restoration projects for achieving national commitments of Land Degradation Neutrality by 2030.

How many of the statements given above is/are not correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

7. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Garbhini-GA2':

1. It is based on genetic algorithms which are optimisation techniques inspired by evolution and natural selection principles.
2. It is a flagship programme of the Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Government of India.
3. It is tailored for accurately determining the gestational age (GA) of foetus in first trimester of pregnancy.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

8. Consider the following statements about Harit Nauka initiative:

1. This is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions as per the Maritime Amrit Kaal Vision 2047.
2. As per the Harit Nauka initiative guidelines, all states have to make efforts to use green fuels for 50% of inland waterways-based passenger fleets in the next one decade, and 100% by 2045.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

9. Consider the following statements about National Mission on Sustaining Himalayan Ecosystem:

1. It was launched in 2010 but was formally approved by the government in 2014.
2. It covers eleven states only, which includes Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura, Meghalaya, Assam and West Bengal.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

10. Consider the following statements about Shri Morarji Desai:
1. The Forty-fourth Amendment of the Constitution of India was enacted during his tenure as Prime Minister.
  2. He actively participated in individual Satyagraha and Quit India Movement.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

11. Consider the following statements:

1. SWAYAM offers industry-relevant courses to boost employability, with features like multilingual content, AI guidance, credit recognition among others.
2. SWAYAM is the Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) platform providing educational opportunities for learners, was launched by the Ministry of Education in 2017.
3. Swayam-Plus has been aligned with National Education Policy, 2020.

How many of the statements given above is/are not correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

12. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Government Security (G-Sec)':

1. It is a tradable instrument issued by the Central Government or the State Governments.
2. It is a type of debt instrument issued by the government to borrow money from the public to finance its Fiscal Deficit.
3. They carry practically no risk of default and, hence, are called risk-free gilt-edged instruments.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

13. Consider the following statements:

1. Planets are formed when the dust and gas swirling around a young star collide and clump together.
2. Planets could also form near supermassive black holes and are termed blanets.

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. Consider the following statements :

1. Sudarshan Setu, also known as the Okha-Beyt Dwarka Signature Bridge, is India's longest cable-stayed bridge.

2. Bet Dwarka is the largest island off the Gujarat coast, and Union Territory of Diu, the second largest.
3. Sudarshan Setu is the longest bridge in India and also the longest sea bridge in the country.

How many of the statements given above is/are not correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

15. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Sant Guru Ravidas':

1. He is known by various names like Raidas, Rohidas, and Ruhidas and hailed from a community traditionally associated with leatherwork.
2. He made significant contributions to the Bhakti Movement, emphasising devotion to the divine and promoting spiritual equality.
3. Some of his compositions are included in the revered scripture, Guru Granth Sahib Ji, adding to his literary and philosophical significance.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

16. Consider the following statements regarding Binary System of Stars:

1. It refers to the pair of stars that are gravitationally bound to each other and orbit around a common centre of mass.
2. An estimated 85% or more of stars are actually part of binary or even multiple-star systems.

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

17. Consider the following statements:

1. Amateur Radio (HAM Radio) is a widely enjoyed hobby that uses radio frequencies for non-commercial purposes, fostering technical learning through radio waves.
2. Islands On The Air (IOTA), is a program connecting global radio amateurs with island stations and categorising islands into communication groups since 1964.

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

18. Regarding Electricity (Rights of Consumers) Rules(A), 2020, consider the following statements:

1. Systems with a capacity of up to 10 kW are exempt from the requirement of a technical feasibility study.
2. The distribution company is required to strengthen the distribution system needed for rooftop solar PV systems up to 5 kW capacity at its own expense.
3. Consumers can obtain separate electricity connections for charging their Electric Vehicles (EVs).

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only One
- (b) Only Two
- (c) All Three
- (d) None

19. Consider the following statements about the Second INDUS-X Summit:

1. The summit emphasised the critical role India and the US play as key partners in ensuring a free and open Indo-Pacific region.
2. It highlighted the introduction of Joint IMPACT Challenges, which aims to advance defence and aerospace co-development and co-production.
3. It also provides a platform for startups and MSMEs in the defence sector to engage with established players, facilitating knowledge exchange and partnerships.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only One
- (b) Only Two
- (c) All Three
- (d) None

20. Consider the following statements:

1. National Science Day is observed on the day Jagdish Chandra Bose discovered the instrument Crescograph.
2. The Raman Effect is the phenomenon where light gets scattered when passed through a transparent material, leading to changes in wavelength and energy.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

21. Regarding personal laws in India, consider the following statements:

1. In accordance with Islamic personal law, men have the legal allowance to practice polygamy, with a maximum limit of six wives.
2. The Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 lays out guidelines for property inheritance among Hindus, Buddhists, Jains and Sikhs.

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. Consider the following countries:

1. Iceland
2. Latvia
3. Lithuania

How many of the above are the members of Nordic-Baltic Cooperation?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

23. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Hemophilia':

1. A person diagnosed with Hemophilia A lacks a sufficient amount of factor IX (Factor nine).
2. An individual with Hemophilia B lacks an adequate supply of clotting factor VIII (Factor eight).
3. The main treatment for Haemophilia is Replacement Therapy.

How many of the above statements are not correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

24. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** Single-use plastic has among the highest shares of plastic manufactured and used.

**Statement-II:** On the current trajectory of production, it has been projected that single-use plastic could account for 5-10% of greenhouse gas emissions by 2050.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect.
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct.

25. With reference to the Report on the Status of Leopards in India 2022, consider the following statements:

1. India's leopard population has declined by 8% from 2018 to 2022.
2. Madhya Pradesh has the highest number of leopards followed by Maharashtra, Karnataka, and Tamil Nadu.
3. More than half of the leopard population is present outside protected areas in the Shivalik landscape.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

26. Regarding Obelisks, consider the following statements:

1. Obelisks are novel virus-like entities comprising diverse RNA molecules found in the human body and the global microbiome.
2. They display rod-like structures similar to iconic monuments and have genetic sequences around 1,000 nucleotides long, showing no discernible similarities to known biological agents.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

27. Regarding the Household Consumption Expenditure Survey 2022-23, consider the following statements:

1. It is conducted by the National Statistical Office (NSO) every 5 years.
2. It is designed to gather data on household consumption of goods and services, which is also used to derive macroeconomic indicators such as GDP, poverty rates, and Consumer Price Index (CPI).

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

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

28. Regarding the Rajya Sabha election, consider the following statements:

1. Representatives of each State to the Rajya Sabha are elected directly by the elected members of their Legislative Assembly.
2. The Constitution of India provides that voting in elections to the Rajya Sabha shall be conducted via an open ballot.
3. The Supreme Court ruled against the inclusion of the None Of The Above (NOTA) option for voters in Rajya Sabha elections.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

29. Regarding the Rare Diseases, consider the following statements:

1. Organisation of Rare Diseases India (ORDI) has suggested that a disease is to be defined as rare if it affects 1 in 10,000 people or less.
2. Rare diseases affect approximately 10% of the global population.
3. India represents one-third of global rare disease cases.

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

30. Consider the following statements regarding Bharat Tex 2024:

1. It is the largest global textile event in India inspired by the 5F Vision of the Prime Minister of India.
2. It serves as a launchpad for initiatives like the 'Innovative Business Practices and Economic Models in the Textile Value Chain in India' (IndiaTex) and Textile Grand Innovation Challenge.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

31. Consider the following pairs:

GI Tag	State
1. Crochet Lace Craft	Andhra Pradesh
2. Majuli Masks	Assam
3. Patan Patola	Gujarat

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

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

32. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** Obesity is a major risk factor for chronic diseases like cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, musculoskeletal disorders, and certain cancers.

**Statement-II:** Obesity is a chronic disease that occurs when the body stores excess calories as fat.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- (c) Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

33. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** Viscose Staple fiber (VSF), derived from wood or cotton pulp, is a semi-synthetic material possessing properties akin to cotton, offering versatility, breathability, and biodegradability.

**Statement-II:** The implementation of a stringent Quality Control Order (QCO) pertaining to Viscose Staple Fibre (VSF) in India resulted in a 65% decrease in imports.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect.
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct.



34. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** World Hearing Day (WHD) is celebrated on the 3rd March each year to raise awareness on how to prevent deafness and hearing loss and promote ear and hearing care across the world.

**Statement-II:** The theme of WHD 2024 is "Hearing for life: don't let hearing loss limit you".

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect.
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct.

35. Consider the following statements about Warehousing Development and Regulatory Authority (WDRA):

- 1. It is a statutory authority under the Department of Food and Public Distribution.
- 2. e-Kisan Upaj Nidhi (Digital Gateway) of WDRA was launched to leverage technology for easing farmers' warehousing logistics and ensuring fair prices for their produce.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

36. The Unjust Climate Report was released by which of the following:

- (a) Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO)
- (b) Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
- (c) World Bank
- (d) United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

37. Regarding the recently launched Digital Intelligence Platform (DIP), consider the following statements:

- 1. It is a secure platform that facilitates intelligence sharing and information exchange among stakeholders like telecom service providers, Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs), etc.
- 2. It would be a non-public data-sharing resource for "Telecom Service Providers (TSPs), LEAs, banks and financial institutions, social media platforms, identity document issuing authorities, etc.

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

38. Consider the following:

**Statement-I:** INS Jatayu will enhance the Indian Navy's operational reach in the Indian Ocean for anti-piracy, anti-narcotics, and surveillance missions.

**Statement-II:** INS Jatayu is strategically located in Minicoy and will operate under the Southern Naval Command's Naval Officer in Charge (Lakshadweep).

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- (c) Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

39. Regarding the Milk Production in India, consider the following statements:

- 1. India is the highest milk producer in the world.
  - 2. India contributes to around 54% of global milk production.
  - 3. The Indian dairy sector is growing by 6% per year.
- How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

40. Regarding the Claude chatbots, consider the following statements:

- 1. Claude is a group of Large Language Models (LLMs).
- 2. The chatbot is capable of handling text, voice messages, and documents.
- 3. Its responses are entirely devoid of biases.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

41. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Dak Karmayogi Project':

- 1. This is an e-learning platform to enhance the competencies of Gramin Dak Sevaks and Postal Department employees.
- 2. This portal has been developed 'In-House' under the vision of Mission Karmayogi.

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 about Sudarshan Setu:

- 1. It is India's longest cable-stayed bridge situated in Gujarat.
- 2. It is also known as the Okha-Beyt Dwarka Signature Bridge.

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

43. Consider the following statements about International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD):

1. It is an international financial institution and specialized United Nations agency working in the field of poverty eradication in the rural areas of developing countries.
2. It has 177 member countries and India is not a member 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

44. Consider the following statements about General Diary:

1. The Supreme Court ruled that a General Diary Entry may be treated as FIR in an appropriate case, where it discloses the commission of a cognisable offence.
2. Section 44 of the Police Act, 1861 empowers the State Government to prescribe the form of the General Diary and the manner in which it shall be maintained.

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 about Genome Sequencing:

1. Genome is composed of three nucleotide bases: adenine (A), cytosine (C), and thymine (T).
2. India announced its first complete human genome in 2003.

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. Regarding the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), consider the following statements:

1. It was established under the provisions of the Environment Protection Act, 1986.
2. BEE falls under the purview of the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.
3. Its primary objectives include reducing the energy intensity of the Indian economy.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

47. Consider the following statements:

1. Spiking Neural Networks (SNNs) use continuous numerical values for processing data.

2. Lifelong Machine Learning (LML) model involves continuous learning where AI models accumulate knowledge from previous tasks to aid future learning and problem-solving.

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 respect to 'Cavum Clouds':

1. Cavum clouds are formed when aircraft pass through mid-level altocumulus clouds containing supercooled liquid water droplets.
2. As the planes disrupt the air around Altocumulus Clouds, the droplets freeze into ice crystals, which eventually become heavy and fall out of the sky, leaving voids in the cloud layer.
3. This phenomenon was captured by the INSAT 3D satellite of the ISRO.

How many of the above statements are not correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

49. Which of the following statements about coal use in India is not correct?

- (a) Coal accounts for more than 50% of India's energy needs.
- (b) Odisha is the largest producer of lignite coal in India.
- (c) India's per capita coal consumption is lower than developed countries.
- (d) Coal imports are unrestricted under India's current import policy.

50. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** The Holistic Progress Card (HPC) is a new approach to evaluating students' academic performance that moves away from traditional reliance on marks or grades.

**Statement-II:** HPC adopts a comprehensive 360-degree evaluation system that takes into account various aspects of a student's development and learning experience.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect.
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct.

51. Consider the following statements:

1. The Grain Storage Plan aims to establish 700 lakh tonnes of storage capacity over the next 5 years, with an investment of Rs 1.25 lakh crores.
2. India has one of the world's largest cooperative networks, with over 800,000 cooperatives spread across various sectors like agriculture, credit, dairy, housing etc.

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:

**Statement-I:** Viscose Staple Fibre (VSF) is a natural, biodegradable, semi-synthetic fibre that has similar characteristics to cotton and widely used in apparel, home textiles, dress material etc.

**Statement-II:** A Quality Control Order (QCO) is a non-tariff trade barrier that bars manufacturers, importers, and distributors from storing or selling a product without a licence from the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS).

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect.
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct.

53. Consider the following statements:

1. The British government's Religious Endowments Act of 1863 aimed to secularize temple management by transferring control to local committees.
2. In 1927, the Justice Party enacted the Madras Hindu Religious Endowments Act, marking one of the earliest efforts by an elected government to regulate temples.

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. Consider the following statements regarding Very Short-Range Air Defence System (VSHORADS) missile:

1. VSHORADS, a Man Portable Air Defence System (MANPAD), is an indigenous creation developed by the Research Centre Imarat (RCI) in collaboration with DRDO laboratories.
2. The missile is designed to neutralize low-altitude aerial threats at short ranges while ensuring easy portability due to highly optimized design.

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. Regarding the Aihole Inscription, consider the following statements:

1. It is located in Andhra Pradesh.
2. It was crafted by the renowned poet Pampa.
3. The inscription is a lyrical tribute to the Chalukya dynasty, particularly King Pulakesin II.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

56. Consider the following countries:

1. Argentina
2. Brazil
3. Pakistan

How many of the above are members of Cairns Group?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None of the above

57. Consider the following statements about Parliamentary Privileges:

1. Under Article 105, Parliamentary privileges are special rights, immunities and exemptions enjoyed by the members of the Parliament and their committees.
2. Parliament has not made any special law to exhaustively codify all the privileges.
3. Article 180 guarantees the same privileges to the Members of Legislative Assemblies of states.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) One only
- (b) Two Only
- (c) All of the above
- (d) None of the above

58. Consider the following statements about Acing Development of Innovative Technologies with iDEX (ADITI) scheme:

1. Under the scheme, start-ups are eligible to receive grant-in-aid of up to Rs 25 crore for their research, development, and innovation endeavours in defence technology.
2. In the first edition of ADITI, 17 challenges regarding the Indian Army, Indian Navy, Indian Air Force and Defence Space Agency have been launched.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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



59. Consider the following statements about Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC):

1. An NBFC is a company registered under the Companies Act, 1956, involved in various financial activities.
2. NBFCs include institutions primarily engaged in dealing in immovable property.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

60. Consider the following statements about Ecocide:

1. It is defined as "unlawful or wanton acts committed with knowledge that there is a substantial likelihood of severe and either widespread or long-term damage to the environment being caused by those acts."
2. Belgium is the first country in the European Continent to recognise 'ecocide' as a national as well as an international crime.

Which of the above statements is/are not correct?

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

61. Regarding Small Satellite Launch Vehicle, consider the following statements:

1. It is a three-stage launch vehicle equipped with two solid propulsion stages and a liquid propulsion-based Velocity Trimming Module (VTM) serving as the terminal stage.
2. It is capable of launching 500kg satellites in 500km planar orbit from Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC).

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

62. Regarding Inter-State Water Dispute Act, 1956, consider the following statements:

1. It requires the Central Government to initially seek resolution of an inter-state water dispute through consultations among the concerned states before establishing a tribunal upon their request.
2. The 2002 amendment to the act incorporated a one-year deadline for establishing water disputes tribunals and a three-year deadline for rendering decisions.

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

63. Consider the following statements:

1. The Fair Trial Programme (FTP) is a criminal justice initiative based at the National Law University in Delhi.
2. The FTP trains and mentors young professionals, such as lawyers and social workers, to collaborate with the State Legal Services Authority.

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

64. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY):

1. In 2015, the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers introduced the PMUY to provide clean cooking fuel like LPG to rural and deprived households.
2. Under Ujjwala 2.0 (Phase-2 of PMUY), a special provision has been made for Migrant Families to avail of new connections using Self-Declaration instead of Proof of Address (PoA) and Ration Card (RC).

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

65. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** The border between Israel and Jordan is known as the Blue Line.

**Statement-II:** Blue Line was set by the United Nations in 2000 after Israel withdrew its military from southern Lebanon.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect.
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct.

66. Regarding the Public Accounts Committee, consider the following statements:

1. Its primary responsibility lies in auditing the reports provided by the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG), with the assistance of the CAG during investigations.
2. It consists of a maximum of 22 members, with 15 elected by the Rajya Sabha and up to 7 members from the Lok Sabha.

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

67. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** The Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwDs) Act, 2016 implements the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, ratified by India in 2007.

**Statement-II:** Recently, the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) has prioritized improving accessibility for persons with disabilities (PwDs) in public buildings.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- (c) Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

68. Regarding the Election Commission of India (ECI), consider the following statements:

- 1. The Constitution has prescribed the qualifications of the members of the Election Commission.
- 2. The Constitution has not specified the term of the members of the Election Commission
- 3. The Constitution has not debarred the retiring election commissioners from any further appointment by the government

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

69. Regarding the India-Indonesia Relations, consider the following statements:

- 1. Indonesia has emerged as the largest trading partner of India in the ASEAN region.
- 2. Both countries are members of G20, East Asia Summit and the United Nations.
- 3. The stories from the great epics of Ramayana and Mahabharata form a source of Indonesian folk art and dramas.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

70. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** Multiple Independently Targetable Re-entry Vehicle (MIRV) technology originated in the erstwhile USSR, with the deployment of a MIRVed Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM) in 1970.

**Statement-II:** MIRV technology enhances the missile's effectiveness by increasing the number of potential targets it can engage.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect.
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct.

71. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Connectome Concept depicts a detailed neural network map, resembling a blueprint that shows how neurons exchange electrical and chemical signals.
- 2. The connectome simplifies scientists' understanding of the brain's complexity and vast data volume, aiding advancements in neuroscience and neurological health research.

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

72. Libya is bordered by which of the following countries:

- 1. Egypt
- 2. Sudan
- 3. Chad
- 4. Niger
- 5. Algeria

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1,3,4 and 5
- (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

73. Regarding the Krishi Sakhi Convergence Programme (KSCP), consider the following statements:

- 1. An MoU between the Ministries of Agriculture & Farmer Welfare and Rural Development initiated the KSCP, to empower Krishi Sakhi to transform rural India.
- 2. The programme includes a Krishi Sakhis Training Programme to certify 70,000 Krishi Sakhis as Para-Extension Workers.
- 3. Krishi Sakhis, who are practicing farmers and trained para-extension professionals, serve as friends to farmers, guiding Natural Farming and Soil Health Management.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only One
- (b) Only Two
- (c) All Three
- (d) None

74. Consider the following statements regarding Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS):

1. The National Statistics Office (NSO) conducts PLFS to produce annual statistics of employment and unemployment characteristics for both rural and urban areas.
2. It estimates the key employment and unemployment indicators in the short time interval of three months for the urban areas only in the 'Current Weekly Status' (CWS).

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

75. With reference to the Pharmaceuticals Technology Upgradation Assistance Scheme (PTUAS), consider the following statements:

1. It was launched in 2022 which helps drug companies upgrade their facilities to produce medicines that meet global standards.
2. Under this scheme, interest subvention of up to a maximum of 9% per annum (10% for units owned and managed by Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes) for the eligible loan component is available.

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

76. Consider the following statements:

1. Cooperative banks in India, are registered under the Cooperative Societies Act of the State concerned or the Multi-State Cooperative Societies Act, 2002.
2. The Reserve Bank regulates the banking functions of Urban Cooperative Banks under the provisions of Sections 22 and 23 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.

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

77. Consider the following statements:

1. Citizenship in India is listed in the Union List under the Constitution and thus is under the exclusive jurisdiction of Parliament.
2. The Citizenship Act, 1955 outlines five ways to acquire Indian citizenship: by birth, descent, registration, naturalization, or through the incorporation of territory into India.

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

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

78. Regarding the Corbett Tiger Reserve, consider the following statements:

1. It is located in Himachal Pradesh.
2. The Project Tiger was launched in 1973 in Corbett National Park.
3. The Reserve is traversed by the Dhauliganga River.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

79. Consider the following statements:

1. Fresh dung contains methane along with water, making it essential for biogas production in anaerobic digestion.
2. Methane, a key component of biogas, is produced in the rumen of bovines during the fermentation of plant material they consume.

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

80. Consider the following statements regarding Abortion:

1. Abortion is the deliberate termination of a pregnancy, typically performed during the first 28 weeks of gestation.
2. Until the 1960s, abortion was prohibited in India, and violating this led to imprisonment or fines under Section 312 of the Indian Penal Code.

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

81. Consider the following statements:

1. The Supreme Court of India legalized passive euthanasia in Common Cause V/s Union of India Case, 2018, under Article 21 of the Indian constitution.
2. Passive euthanasia involves deliberately using lethal substances or actions to end a person's life.

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

82. Consider the following statements:

1. Recently, the renowned Cuttack Rupa Tarakasi (Silver Filigree) has been granted the Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
2. GI Tag guards against imitation and lasts for 15 years once registered.

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

83. With reference to FASTag, consider the following statements:

1. It is operated by the National Council for Science and Technology Communication (NCSTC) under the Ministry of Science and Technology.
2. It is a device that employs Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) technology for making toll payments directly while the vehicle is in motion.

How many of the above statements are correct?

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

84. With reference to Regulatory Sandbox (RS), consider the following statements:

1. It refers to live testing of new products or services in a controlled regulatory environment.
2. RS in the fin-tech sector is regulated by the Reserve Bank of India (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

85. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** The Gurmukhi script was developed from the Śāradā script, standardised and used by the tenth Sikh guru, Guru Govind Singh.

**Statement-II:** Pradhan Mantri Virasat Ka Samvardhan (PM VIKAS) Scheme targets 10,000 Sikh youth and women for modern skills training in employment-oriented job roles.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I.
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- (d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct.

## Answers

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| 1. (a)  | 2. (a)  | 3. (b)  | 4. (b)  | 5. (c)  | 6. (d)  | 7. (b)  | 8. (c)  | 9. (a)  | 10. (c) |
| 11. (d) | 12. (c) | 13. (c) | 14. (b) | 15. (c) | 16. (d) | 17. (c) | 18. (c) | 19. (c) | 20. (b) |
| 21. (d) | 22. (c) | 23. (b) | 24. (b) | 25. (a) | 26. (c) | 27. (d) | 28. (a) | 29. (a) | 30. (c) |
| 31. (d) | 32. (b) | 33. (b) | 34. (c) | 35. (c) | 36. (a) | 37. (c) | 38. (a) | 39. (b) | 40. (b) |
| 41. (c) | 42. (c) | 43. (a) | 44. (c) | 45. (d) | 46. (a) | 47. (a) | 48. (a) | 49. (b) | 50. (a) |
| 51. (c) | 52. (b) | 53. (c) | 54. (d) | 55. (a) | 56. (c) | 57. (b) | 58. (c) | 59. (a) | 60. (d) |
| 61. (b) | 62. (c) | 63. (c) | 64. (a) | 65. (d) | 66. (a) | 67. (b) | 68. (b) | 69. (b) | 70. (d) |
| 71. (c) | 72. (d) | 73. (c) | 74. (d) | 75. (a) | 76. (c) | 77. (d) | 78. (a) | 79. (c) | 80. (d) |
| 81. (a) | 82. (a) | 83. (b) | 84. (c) | 85. (d) |         |         |         |         |         |