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1. Consider the following statements:

1. Kyrgyzstan is a Central Asian country bordered by Uzbekistan and China.
2. KAZIND is the joint military exercise of India and Kyrgyzstan.

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. Consider the following statements regarding System of Air Quality and Weather Forecasting And Research (SAFAR):

1. It is an initiative of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
2. SAFAR is operationalised by the Central Pollution Control Board.
3. The SAFAR system does not monitor the ozone and mercury pollutants.

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

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

3. Consider the following pairs:

<b>Rescue Missions</b>	<b>Countries</b>
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|---------------------|---------|
| 1. Operation Raahat | Nepal   |
| 2. Operation Maitri | Yemen   |
| 3. Operation Sukoon | Lebanon |

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

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

4. With reference to Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee, consider the following statements:

1. It is an apex democratically elected body of Sikhs residing all over the world.
2. It was established under a special Act of Parliament to look after the religious affairs, cultural and historical monuments.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

5. With reference to the International North-South Transport Corridor (INSTC), consider the following statements:

1. INSTC is a multi-modal transportation established by Iran, Russia and India.
2. It connects India Ocean and the Persian Gulf to the Caspian Sea.

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. Consider the following statements regarding the Asian Development Bank (ADB):

1. India is a founding member of ADB.
2. India is the largest shareholder of ADB.
3. ADB is headquartered in Thailand.

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

7. Consider the following statements:

1. Agasthyamala Biosphere Reserve is listed on UNESCO World Network of Biosphere Reserves.
2. Agasthya hill is located within the Periyar National Park.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. The north pole has shifted in a new eastward direction since the 1990s.
2. The unsustainable consumption of groundwater is one of the causes behind polar drift.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

9. With reference to the Index of Industrial Production (IIP), consider the following statements:

1. IIP is compiled and published quarterly by the National Statistical Office (NSO).
2. Base Year for IIP is 2011-2012.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

10. Consider the following statements:

1. Neanderthal is a member of a group of archaic humans who emerged during the Pleistocene Epoch.
2. Genome is defined as an organism's complete set of Deoxyribose Nucleic Acid (DNA), including all of its genes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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

11. Consider the following statements:

1. Operation Samudra Setu was launched by India to deliver medicines to the Covid-19 affected countries.
2. The Indian navy has launched Operation Samudra Setu-II for shipment of Oxygen-filled containers to 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

12. With reference to 'Network for Greening the Financial System', consider the following statements:

1. It is a global network of government authorities advocating a more sustainable renewable energy production and consumption.
2. It was created at the Paris One Planet Summit in 2017.

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

13. Consider the following statements:

1. India is not a party to the UN Refugee Conventions.
2. Article 21 of the Indian Constitution provides for the protection of refugees from refoulement.

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. The National Small Savings Fund (NSSF) was established within the Consolidated Fund of India.
2. The rules to administer NSSF are framed by the President of India under Article 283 (1) of the Indian 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

15. Consider the following statements:

1. P-8I patrol aircraft is a long-range maritime reconnaissance and anti-submarine warfare aircraft.
2. The US has granted India the same access to defence technology as it grants to its NATO allies.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

16. With reference to Purchasing Managers' Index(PMI), consider the following statements:

1. It is a survey-based measure.
2. It is calculated for the services sectors only.
3. PMI is compiled by IHS Markit for economies worldwide.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

17. Consider the following statements regarding Taiwan:

1. It is surrounded by China to the west and Philippines to the south.
2. It is the largest economy that is not a part of the United Nations.
3. India recognises Taiwan as an independent state.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

18. Consider the following statements regarding Asiatic Lion:

1. The Gir National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary is the only abode of the Asiatic lion.
2. It is listed as Endangered in the IUCN Red List.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

19. Consider the following statements:

1. Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) was launched in 2015.
2. MUDRA is a financial institution set up by the Government.
3. MUDRA lends directly to micro-entrepreneurs/ individuals.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

20. Consider the following statements:

1. The World Press Freedom Day is organised by the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).
2. The Windhoek Declaration is a benchmark for ensuring press freedom around the world.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. The 104<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Indian Constitution provides constitutional status to the National Commission for Backward Classes.
2. Article 342 of the Indian Constitution empowers the Governor of a state to specify the socially and educationally backward communities in the State.

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 statements regarding Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI):

1. It was constituted upon the recommendations of the Malhotra Committee in 1999.
2. It is a statutory body.
3. It is headquartered in Hyderabad.

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

23. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the SVAMITVA scheme?

1. The SVAMITVA is a Central Sector scheme.
2. It aims to demarcate the rural inhabited areas.
3. The Ministry of Earth Science is a nodal ministry for this scheme.

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

24. Consider the following statements:

1. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) are the rights given to persons over the creations of their minds.
2. India is not committed to the agreement on Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property (TRIPS Agreement).
3. TRIPS agreement sets the minimum standards of protection for copyrights and related rights.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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

25. In which of the following cases the Supreme Court of India has fixed the upper limit of 50% for reservation?

- (a) Kesavananda Bharati Case, 1973  
(b) IR Coelho Case, 2007  
(c) Puttaswamy Case, 2017  
(d) Indra Swahney case, 1992

26. With reference to Eco-Sensitive Zones (ESZs), Consider the following statements:

1. ESZs are areas within 10 kms around Protected Areas, National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries.
2. It is notified under the Wildlife protection Act, 1972.

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. Which of the following statements is/are not correct regarding Election Commission of India (ECI):

1. Part XV of the Indian Constitution provides for the establishment of ECI.
2. The ECI does not administer elections to the offices of the President and Vice President in India.
3. The Chief Election Commissioner can be removed from office by Parliament on the grounds of proven misbehaviour.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

28. Consider the following statements:

1. The Second Generation (2G) technology worked on analog radio signals.
2. 4G Technology was launched with a peak speed of 100 Mbps to 1 Gbps.
3. 5G technology works in only High-Band spectrum which has high speed as well as maximum coverage.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

29. With reference to the Government Securities Acquisition Programme, consider the following statements:

1. It is part of RBI's Open Market Operations (OMOs).
2. It will help reduce the difference between the repo rate and the 10-year government bond yield.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

30. Which of the following factors influence the Southwest Monsoon Formation?

1. Differential heating and cooling of land and water.
2. Presence of the high-pressure area, east of Madagascar.
3. Movement of tropical easterly jet streams over the Indian peninsula.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

31. Consider the following statements regarding 'G7 Grouping':

1. All of the G7 summits are held in the United Kingdom.
2. The headquarters of G7 grouping is located in Nagoya.
3. The decisions taken by the leaders in G7 summits are non-binding.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

32. With reference to Regulations Review Authority, consider the following statements:

1. The Ministry of Finance has set up the Regulations Review Authority.
2. It will focus on streamlining regulatory instructions and reducing compliance burden of the regulated entities by simplifying procedures.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

33. Consider the following statements:

1. It is a geologically inactive planet.
2. The atmosphere of Venus contains phosphine that indicates the possibility of the presence of lifeforms on it.
3. Venus Express is NASA's mission to Venus.

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

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

34. Consider the following statements:

1. Methane is produced by the breakdown or decay of organic material.
2. Methane can be introduced into the atmosphere only through natural processes.
3. Methane is more potent greenhouse gas than carbon and stays in the atmosphere for a longer time.

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

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

35. Consider the following statements:

1. The Dahla dam is built on the Arghandab River.
2. The Dahal dam was constructed by India in Afghanistan.

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

36. Which of the following statements is not correct regarding the Arctic Region?

- (a) Canada, Denmark, Russia and the USA together form the core of the Arctic Council.
- (b) India's engagement with the Arctic region was established with the signing of the Svalbard Treaty in Paris.
- (c) India and China have received the observer status in the Arctic Council.
- (d) IndARC is India's permanent research station in the Arctic located in Denmark.

37. Consider the following statements Regarding Mucormycosis:

1. It is a rare infection caused by protozoa called mucormycetes.
2. The transmission of disease is caused by person to person contact.

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. 'Galathea Bay' was recently in the news, it is located in?

- (a) Andaman and Nicobar
- (b) Lakshadweep
- (c) Coromandel Coast
- (d) Konkan Coast

39. With reference to the Rabindranath Tagore, consider the following statements:

1. He established the Vishwa-Bharati University in 1921 to challenge conventional education.
2. He was the first non-European to receive the Nobel Prize.
3. He was awarded knighthood by the British King George V in 1919 after the Jallianwalla Bagh massacre.

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

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

40. Consider the following statements regarding Post Devolution Revenue Deficit (PDRD) grant:

1. The Centre provides this grant to the States under Article 275 of the Constitution.
2. The grants paid out of the Consolidated Fund of India.
3. The grant under Article 275 is used for raising the level of administration of the Scheduled Areas.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

41. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Ann Yojana:

1. The Ministry of Finance is the nodal ministry for the implementation of the scheme.
2. The scheme aims to provide an additional 5 kg grains to all the beneficiaries covered under the National Food Security Act, 2013.

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

42. Consider the following statements:

1. The Uranium deposits are found in the states of Jharkhand and Rajasthan only.
2. The Uranium is managed by the State Governments as per the Mines & Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957.

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. With reference to the Gopal Krishna Gokhale, consider the following statements:

1. He was a member of the Imperial Legislative Council.
2. He established the Servants of India Society in 1905.
3. He was regarded by Mahatma Gandhi as his political guru.

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

44. Consider the following statements:

1. The inflation in India is primarily measured by using Wholesale Price Index (WPI) and Consumer Price Index (CPI).
2. The measurement of core inflation does not include the rising prices of the food and energy sector.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

45. Consider the following statements:

1. National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA) was constituted under the Companies Act, 2013
2. NFRA account is monitored by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
3. NFRA cannot undertake investigation of companies which are listed on any stock exchange.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

46. Consider the following statements:

1. It is considered one of the large and important riverine wetlands in the Brahmaputra Valley of lower Assam.
2. It is considered as some of the large congregations of aquatic birds in Assam during winter.
3. It has been selected as one of the Important Bird Area (IBA) sites by Birdlife International.
4. It is also designated as a Ramsar site.

The above statements describe which of the following Wetlands most appropriately:

- (a) Sur Sarovar  
(b) Deepor Beel  
(c) Loktak Lake  
(d) Rudrasagar Lake

47. Consider the following statements regarding Bamboo:

1. The Indian Forest Act 1927 was amended in 2017 to remove bamboo from the category of trees.
2. The CSIR has designed an 'oxygen park' at Karnataka with Beema Bamboo.
3. The Beema Bamboo is one of the fastest growing plants and the best carbon sink to mitigate carbon dioxide emissions.

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

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

48. Consider the following statements:

1. Technology Development Board (TDB) is a statutory body.
2. TDB provides only the technical assistance to enterprises.
3. TDB confers National Award for contribution to science and technology in India.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

49. Consider the following statements:

1. Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLAD) is a Central Sector Scheme.
2. The MPLAD scheme is implemented by the Ministry of Rural Development.
3. The nominated members of both the Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha do not get benefits of the MPLAD scheme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

50. Consider the following statements:

1. The OSIRIS-REx is NASA's first mission to visit a near-Earth asteroid.
2. The OSIRIS-REx spacecraft was launched in 2016 for the journey to Bennu asteroid.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

51. Consider the following statements regarding the Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH):

1. The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare is the nodal ministry for implementation of MIDH.
2. MIDH is being implemented under the National Horticulture Mission.
3. The Government of India (GoI) is funding 60% of the total outlay of the developmental programmes in all the states.

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

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

52. With reference to Sovereign Gold Bond (SGB) scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It was launched with an objective to reduce the demand for physical gold.
2. These are issued by the RBI on behalf of the Government of India.
3. The bonds can be bought by the resident individuals only.

Which of the statements given above are correct ?

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

53. Consider the following statements:

1. S-400 TRIUMF is India's Surface to Air Missile system (SAM) designed by Russia.
2. Ashwin Advanced Air Defence Interceptor Missile is a supersonic ballistic interceptor missile developed by DRDO.

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. The 'Al-Aqsa Mosque' recently seen in the news is located in?

- (a) Kabul                      (b) Jerusalem  
(c) Damascus                (d) Amman

55. Consider the following statements:

1. Article 311 of the Indian Constitution provides protection to Civil servants of Union and State along with defence personnel.
2. The Civil servants of the Union and State work at the pleasure of the President 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

56. Which of the following statements is not correct?

- (a) The prison is a State subject under the Seventh Schedule of the Indian Constitution.
- (b) The Ministry of Home Affairs is responsible for providing regular guidance to States and UTs on issues concerning prisons and prison inmates.
- (c) Article 22 of the Indian Constitution allows for preventive detention and restriction on personal liberty for reasons of state security and public order.
- (d) Article 23 of the Indian Constitution ensures a free legal aid to promote justice on a basis of equal opportunity.

57. Consider the following statements regarding the Bhakti movement:

1. The movement began in South India around the 9th century A.D.
2. The Alvares and Nayanars who led the movement in South India belonged to the Lingayat sect.
3. Shankaracharya was a 12<sup>th</sup> century Lingayat saint also known as Bhakti Bhandari.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

58. Consider the following statements:

1. Dengue is a mosquito-borne tropical disease caused by the positive-strand RNA viruses.
2. Wolbachia bacteria is used to control the spread of dengue.

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

59. Consider the following statement regarding the 'Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs)'?

1. The Dhebar Commission created Primitive Tribal Groups (PTGs) as a separate category in 1973.
2. The highest number of PVTGs are found in Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

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

60. With reference to the PM-KISAN, Consider the following statements:

1. Centre transfers an amount of Rs 6,000 per year directly into the bank accounts of Small and Marginal Farmers farmers only.
2. It is a Central Sector Scheme with 100% funding from the Government of India.

3. The entire responsibility of identification of beneficiary farmer families rests with the State/UT Governments.

Which of the statements given above are correct ?

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

## Answers

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