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1. Consider the following statements regarding Sustainable Aviation Fuel:

1. It has been created using materials like non-edible and edible oils, as well as used cooking oil.
2. It can be mixed with regular jet fuel and used together.
3. It has lower sulfur content.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

2. Who was Raja Ravi Varma?

- (a) A famous Indian painter known for his realistic portraits and paintings inspired by Indian mythology
- (b) A famous Indian politician and freedom fighter who played a key role in India's struggle for independence
- (c) A famous Indian scientist who made significant contributions to the field of mathematics
- (d) A famous Indian musician who popularized the use of the tabla in classical music

3. Consider the following statements regarding 'Hate Speech':

1. The Constitution of India prohibits hate speech only on the basis of religion and not on any other basis.
2. States can register Suo Motu FIR on a hate speech incident and there's no requirement of filing a case against the offender.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

4. Consider the following statements regarding Index of Industrial Production (IIP):

1. Base Year for IIP is 2017-2018.
2. It is released by the Ministry of Commerce and Industries.
3. The core industries have a combined weight of around 40% in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP).

Which of the statements given above are not correct?

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

5. Consider the following statements:

1. In India, the Medical Device Sector is regulated by Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR).
2. India is the 4th largest medical devices market in Asia(a)

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 with respect to Freedom of Religion:

1. Article 26 provides religious denominations to own and acquire movable and immovable property.
2. The Constitution prohibits State-run educational institutions to provide any religious instruction.
3. Education Institutions administered by the State but established under any trust can provide religious instructions.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

7. Which of the following statements best describes the term "Bluewashing"?

- (a) It refers to the practice of using misinformation to deceive consumers into thinking that a company is more digitally ethical and secure than it really is
- (b) It is a marketing tactic used by companies to promote their products using the color blue.
- (c) It is a term used to describe the practice of companies in the technology industry that prioritize cybersecurity
- (d) It is a term used to describe the process of washing blue-colored clothing

8. Consider the following statements regarding 'Flash Floods':

1. Flash floods are sudden, rapid and high-volume floods that occur within a few hours of heavy rainfall or other triggering events.
2. They occur when heavy rainfall exceeds the capacity of the soil and drainage systems to absorb it.

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

9. Consider the following statements:

1. The MCC is operational from the date on which the election schedule is announced until the casting of votes is complete(d)
2. It prohibits ministers and other authorities from announcing any financial grants.
3. As per MCC, only voters and authorized party workers are allowed to enter polling booths.

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

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

10. Consider the following statements regarding the Paris Agreement:

1. It is a legally binding agreement under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.
2. The goal of the Paris Agreement is to limit global warming to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels.

3. Under the Paris Agreement, each country is required to submit and update their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) every 10 years.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

11. Consider the following statements regarding Psychedelic Substances:

1. Psychedelic substances can cause alterations in perception, thought, and mood
2. They are non-addictive and non-toxic
3. They are allowed to use under Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act 1985.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

12. Consider the following statements regarding Steel Industry in India:

1. Green Steel refers to steel that is produced using renewable energy sources.
2. India is the 2nd largest producer of crude steel after China
3. The National Steel Policy 2017 allows 100% Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in the steel sector through automatic route.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

13. Consider the following statements regarding the National Green Tribunal:

1. It is a statutory body established under the Environment Protection Act, 1986.
2. It can take Suo Motu cognizance of the environmental cases and has the power of a Civil Court.
3. NGT is mandated to dispose applications or appeals within 6 months of the filing.

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

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

14. Consider the following statements regarding 'Article 16' of Indian Constitution:

1. It doesn't prohibit reservation based on the domicile and the residence.
2. It also provides for the reservation in promotion with consequential seniority in favor of SCs and STs.

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. Which of the statements given below is correct about Bikaner Mela?

- (a) Bikaner Mela is an annual fair organized by the government of India to promote rural artisans and craftsmen
- (b) It is celebrated by the people of Andhra Pradesh to commemorate Andhra Formation Day
- (c) It is a seed festival celebrated by Khond tribe in Odisha
- (d) None of the above

16. Consider the following statements regarding Article 142 of Indian Constitution:

1. It empowers the Supreme Court to pass any order necessary for doing complete justice in any case or matter pending before it.
2. The orders made by the Supreme Court under Article 142 can be enforced across India as per the law made by Parliament.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

17. Consider the following statements:

1. Simlipal Tiger Reserve has the world's highest rate of black tiger sightings in the world
2. Black Tiger is not a distinct species but it's a rare colour variant of the Bengal tiger because of genetic mutation.
3. Simlipal National Park is a part of UNESCO World Network of Biosphere Reserve.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

18. With reference to Central Counterparties (CCPs), which of the statements given below is not correct?

1. CCP is a financial institution that acts as an intermediary between buyers and sellers in various derivatives and equities markets.
2. CCPs reduce risks associated with counterparty, operational, settlement, market, legal, and default issues.
3. In India, they are regulated by both Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).

Select the correct answer using codes given below:

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

19. Consider the following statements regarding Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA):

1. CORSIA aims to achieve carbon-neutral growth in the aviation industry by requiring airlines to offset any increase in emissions above 2015 levels.
2. CORSIA is applicable only to flights originating from one country to another.

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

20. Consider the following statements regarding 'Madden-Julian Oscillation (MJO)':

1. MJO is an eastward moving disturbance of clouds, rainfall, winds, and pressure.
2. When the cycle of the MJO is longer, it brings better monsoon conditions in 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

21. Consider the following statements regarding Kisan Credit Card (KCC) scheme:

1. The KCC facility is not available to fisheries and animal husbandry farmers.
2. Tenant farmers and oral lessees are not eligible under the scheme.
3. The scheme provides both short- and long-term credit to the beneficiaries.

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

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

22. Report on Currency and Finance 2022-23 is published by which of the following institutions?

- (a) Ministry of Finance  
(b) Reserve Bank of India  
(c) World Bank  
(d) International Monetary Fund (IMF)

23. Which of the following statements is not correct about Mercy Petition?

- (a) A mercy petition is a formal request made by someone who has been sentenced to death or imprisonment seeking mercy from the President or the Governor  
(b) A convict can present a mercy petition to the President of India under Article 72 of the Constitution of India.  
(c) The Governor of a State can't pardon prisoners before they have served a minimum 14 years of prison sentence.  
(d) The Supreme Court has held that act of mercy is not a right and it can't be claimed.

24. Consider the following Pairs:

Subsidy Boxes Nature of subsidies included

1. Amber Box - Those subsidies that can distort international trade by making a country's products cheaper
2. Blue Box - Domestic support measures that don't cause trade distortion or at most cause minimal distortion
3. Green Box - Any support that would normally be in the amber box is placed in the greenbox if it requires farmers to limit production.

How many pairs given above are matched correctly?

- (a) Only 1 pair  
(b) Only 2 pairs  
(c) Only 3 pairs  
(d) All 4 pairs

25. Consider the following statements regarding Debt for Climate Swaps:

1. These swaps involve reducing debt in exchange for policy commitments or spending to mitigate the effects of climate change by debtor countries.
2. Only official bilateral debt can be involved in debt-for-climate swaps.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. Constitution of India does not specify as to what disqualifies a person from contesting elections for the Parliament.
2. Vohra Committee, 1983 was constituted to recommend ways in which the criminalisation of politics can be effectively dealt with.
3. In the Association for Democratic Reforms v. Union of India case (2002), the SC ruled that every candidate contesting an election must disclose both their criminal and financial records.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

27. With respect to the Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA), 2010, consider the following statements:

1. It requires every person or NGO wishing to receive foreign donations to be registered under the Act.
2. The Act prohibits receipt of foreign funds by candidates for elections and journalists.

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

28. With reference to the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), consider the following statements:

1. It is an intergovernmental organization with a membership of 193 Member States and Territories.
  2. India is not a member of WMO.
  3. It is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.
- 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

29. Consider the following statements:

1. The Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act, 1969 (MRTP Act) was repealed and replaced by the Competition Act, 2002.
2. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) is a quasi-judicial body which gives opinions to statutory authorities and also deals with other cases.

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. The "Three-year Work Program" was signed between India and which of the following countries?

- (a) China
- (b) Israel
- (c) Maldives
- (d) Seychelles

31. Consider the following statements regarding Fortification of Rice & its distribution through Public Distribution System:

1. It's a centrally sponsored scheme.
2. Under the scheme, the beneficiaries are supplied rice at 1 Rs/kg.

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

32. Which of the following statements is correct as per the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016?

1. All manufacturers of disposable products such as tin, glass, plastics packaging etc are required to provide necessary financial assistance to local authorities for the establishment of a waste management system.
2. The bio-degradable waste should be processed, treated and disposed of through plasma gasification.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

33. With reference to the Direct Reduction Process by Hydrogen, consider the following statements:

1. It is a process that uses hydrogen gas to reduce iron oxide into metallic iron without the use of a blast furnace.
2. This method is also known as the green route for steel production, as it significantly reduces the carbon emissions.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

34. What is StarBerrySense, recently seen in news?

- (a) A sensory device used to measure the ripeness of strawberries
- (b) A space mission for tracking star constellations
- (c) A low-cost star sensor developed by Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)
- (d) A wearable technology that monitors heart rate and blood pressure

35. With reference to Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act 1985, which of the statements is/are correct?

1. The Act has not been amended even once since its introduction.
2. Bhang is not prohibited under the act.
3. The act permits the cultivation and sale of opium for medical and scientific purposes.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

36. Consider the following statements regarding Pygmy Hog:

1. It is found only in India.
2. It is listed as Critically Endangered species under IUCN Red List.
3. Pygmy Hog Conservation Programme is being implemented by NGOs - Aaranyak and EcoSystems India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

37. Which of the protected sites given below are in Odisha?

1. Bhitarkanika National Park
2. Intanki Wildlife Sanctuary
3. Chilika (Nalaban island) WLS.
4. Baisipalli WLS.
5. Namdapha National Park
6. Nandankanan WLS.
7. Gahirmatha (Marine) WLS.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1, 2, 4 and 7 only
- (b) 1, 3, 5, 6 and 7 only
- (c) 1, 3, 4, 6 and 7 only
- (d) 2, 3, 4, 5 and 7 only



38. Consider the following statements regarding 'International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO)':
1. It's a specialized agency of United States (UN).
  2. It's headquartered in New York.
  3. India has been participating in ICAO's schemes - CORSIA and LTAG since 2015.
- Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 2 only                      (d) 1 and 2 only
39. They are elusive and nocturnal animals whose size and colour depend on the habitat and are vulnerable according to IUCN Red List. They are great climbers and hide in trees, where they hide their prey to avoid competition. They are members of the cat family, they live in Asia, sub-Saharan Africa, Southern Russia, and the Indian subcontinent.
- The above given description is correct about which of the following animal?
- (a) Lions                      (b) Leopards  
(c) Tigers                      (d) Beers
40. Which organization publishes the World Press Freedom Index?
- (a) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)  
(b) Reporters Without Borders (RSF)  
(c) International Federation of Journalists (IFJ)  
(d) Freedom House
41. Consider the following statements regarding "River-Cities Alliance (RCA) Global Seminar":
1. The RCA is a joint initiative of the Ministry of Jal Shakti (MoJS) & the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA).
  2. The implementation of RCA program is being monitored by the Central Monitoring Committee at central level and at State level by the Chief Secretary of state.
- 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. With reference to the National Programme for Prevention & Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NP-NCD), consider the following statements:
1. A Single National NCD Cell has been established to monitor and manage the programme at national, state and district level.
  2. NCD Clinics are being set up at District levels to provide services for early diagnosis, treatment and follow-up for common NCDs.
- 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. If US federal reserve increases Interest rates, what can be the possible impacts of it on Indian economy?
1. Costlier imports
  2. Surge in stock prices
  3. Increase in India's external debt burden
- Which of the options given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) 1 and 3 only  
(d) 1, 2, and 3
44. Consider the following statements 'China-Pakistan Economic Corridor':
1. It connects China's northwest Yunnan province with the Gwadar Port in Pakistan.
  2. It includes the development of highways, railways, and pipelines along with industrial and energy infrastructure projects.
  3. It is part of the International North-South Transport Corridor (INSTC).
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only              (b) 2 only  
(c) 1 and 3 only              (d) 1, 2, and 3
45. Consider the following statements regarding 'Arab League':
1. Its membership is limited only to Arab nations of the Arabian Peninsula(a)
  2. Recently, the Arab League has suspended Syria from the organization.
  3. Alexandria Protocol is related to the Arab League.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) 1, 2 and 3              (d) 3 only
46. Consider the following stages of a star's life:
1. White dwarf
  2. Red Giant
  3. Planetary Nebula
- Arrange these stages in chronological order:
- (a) 3-2-1                      (b) 2-1-3  
(c) 3-1-2                      (d) 2-3-1
47. Consider the following statements about India's Agriculture sector in FY2023:
1. Marine products, rice, cotton and sugar have been the driving forces behind India's agricultural exports.
  2. Owing to Success of National mission on edible oils, India's vegetable oil imports have dropped in past two years.
- 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

48. Consider the following statement:

1. Petersberg Dialogue on United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) was hosted by Germany and the United Arab Emirates.
2. The dialogue focuses on climate adaptation, climate finance, and dealing with loss and damage.
3. Dialogue called for a tripling of renewable energy capacity by 2030 followed by a doubling in 2040.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

49. With reference to Multi Model Logistics Parks in India, consider the following statements:

1. Logistic division under Ministry of Commerce & Industry has been authorized to develop Multi Model Logistics Parks under the Bharatmala Pariyojan(a)
2. It will be solely developed by a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) called the National Highways and Logistics Management (NHLML).

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

50. What is Ekta Avam Shradhanjali Abhiyaan, recently seen in the news?

- (a) A campaign to pay tribute to the martyrs of Pulwama attack  
(b) A scholarship program for the children of the martyrs  
(c) A campaign to pay tribute to the front-line workers who lost their lives during COVID pandemic  
(d) A campaign to commemorate the sacrifices and contribution of its Karmyogis by Border Road Organisation

51. Consider the following statements:

1. The National e-Governance Division (NeGD) organised CISO Deep-Dive training program.
2. The training program is a part of a workshop organized under the Cyber Surakshit Bharat initiative (CSBI).
3. CSBI was launched by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) in cooperation with NeG(d)

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

52. Consider the following statements regarding Auroras:

1. Auroras consist of gases and particles, including oxygen and nitrogen.
2. They are caused by the interaction of charged particles from the Sun with the Earth's gravitational field and atmosphere.

3. Coronal mass ejections (CMEs) and solar flares enhance auroral activity.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

53. Consider the following statements:

1. Indian army derives its Uniform pattern from British army.
2. Post independence, India discarded all regimental uniform items beyond the rank of Lt Colonel.

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:

1. Petrol is made up of a mix of alkanes and cycloalkanes with a chain length of between 5-12 carbon atoms while Diesel is made up of alkanes of longer chains.
2. Diesel engines offer more torque (rotational or turning force) and are less likely to stall.
3. Petrol has a greater energy content per litre than diesel.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

55. Consider the following statements about Rabindranath Tagore:

1. He, also known as Bengali Gandhi, was a prolific literary figure and polymath, known for his contributions to Bengali literature and music(c)
2. He was the first non-European Nobel Prize laureate in Literature in 1931.
3. Tagore's compositions of songs are called "Rabindra Sangeet".

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

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

56. Consider the following statements regarding 'Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)':

1. CBAM is part of the "Fit for 55 in 2030 package", which is the EU's plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by at least 55% by 2030
2. It ensures that imported goods are subject to the same carbon costs as products produced within the EU.

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

57. Which of the following statements is/are not correct?

1. Financial Action Task Force (FATF) is the global money laundering and terrorist financing watchdog set up out of a G-20 meeting in Paris.
2. FATF considers efforts to counter the financing of proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

58. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The first three gallantry awards namely Param Vir Chakra, Maha Vir Chakra, and Vir Chakra were instituted by the government of India on 26th January 1952.
2. Kirti Chakra is the second-highest peacetime gallantry award.
3. The gallantry awards are announced twice in a year.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

59. Regarding the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR), consider the following statements:

1. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) has introduced a draft notification on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) on waste oil.
2. It makes producers responsible for the environmental impacts of their products throughout their life cycle.
3. EPR is applicable to e-waste only.

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 only

60. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Atal Pension Yojana (APY) is administered by Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA).
2. Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) is administered by Public Sector General Insurance Companies (PSGICs).
3. Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) is a one-year accidental insurance scheme offering coverage for death only due to accident.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

61. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Radiative forcing is the difference between incoming solar radiation and outgoing terrestrial radiation.
2. The positive radiative forcing indicates that the amount of outgoing energy from the atmosphere is more than the amount of incoming energy in the atmosphere.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

62. With reference to the Union Territories Administration in India, consider the following statements:

1. Part VIII of the Constitution deals with the UTs.
2. UTs in India are administered by the President only.
3. Only UTs of Puducherry and Delhi are provided with a legislative assembly.

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

63. Consider the following pairs:

1. Project Saksham : The mass skilling exercise for employees of Indian Railways.
2. Saksham LMIS : Digital learning platform for healthcare professionals.
3. Project Sashakt : Scheme for women empowerment.

How many of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one pair              (b) Only two pairs  
(c) Only three pairs              (d) None of the pairs

64. Consider the following statements:

1. Government is not bound to conduct bypolls if remaining term of the vacant seat is less than a year.
2. Candidate elected in Bypolls is elected for the full term.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

65. Regarding the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), consider the following statements:

1. It published a study titled "The Race to Net Zero: Accelerating Climate Action in Asia and the Pacific".
2. It is the United Nations' regional development agency for the Asia-Pacific region, situated in Bangkok, Thailand.
3. The Asia-Pacific region is responsible for one-third of the world's greenhouse gas emissions.

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 only

66. Which of the following ministry has launched, Catch the Rain 2023 Campaign?

- (a) Ministry of Jal Shakti  
(b) Ministry of Rural Development  
(c) Ministry of Panchayati Raj  
(d) Ministry of Corporate Affairs



67. National Technology Day of India is observed in the memory of which of the following?
- The launch of India's first satellite Aryabhata
  - The successful nuclear tests at Pokhran in 1998
  - The development of India's first indigenous aircraft Hansa-3
  - The establishment of the Indian Space Research Organization

68. Consider the following statements:

- In Parayankandiyal V.K. Devi & Others case, the Supreme Court noted that polygamy was not allowed to become a part of Hindu culture due to the influence of religion.
- In Javed & Others v. State of Haryana & Others case SC observed that Muslim law allows polygamy.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

69. Consider the following statements:

- Central Government can't extend tenure of the Chief of Enforcement Directorate (ED) beyond a two-year period
- The ED has been entrusted with the responsibility of executing the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

70. Consider the following statement:

- New Delhi being a union territory, Lieutenant governor (L-G) of Delhi is not bound by advice of council of ministers.
- Any matter of dispute between L-G and council of minister can be referred to President by L-G.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

71. The Malcha Mahal or Wilahat Mahal was recently in the news. It is related to which of the following Dynasty?

- Tughlaq Dynasty
- Lodi Dynasty
- Mughal Dynasty
- Khilji Dynasty

72. Consider the following statements regarding 'Transport and Marketing Assistance Scheme':

- The scheme aims to provide assistance for the international component of freight and marketing of agricultural produce to mitigate disadvantage of higher cost of transportation to exports.
- Under the scheme, the government reimburses the entire portion of freight charges to promote agricultural exports.
- The scheme is applicable on specified products only and the dairy products aren't included under this because of their perishable nature.

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

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 3 only

73. Consider the following statements regarding I2U2 Quad:

- I2U2 is a new grouping formed by India, Israel, the UAE, and the US.
- It was formed in 2021 followed by the Abraham Accords.
- The Abraham Accords normalized relations between Israel and a few Arab Gulf countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3
- 1 and 3

74. Consider the following statements:

- Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) and Minimum Support Price (MSP) are determined by the central government for the sugarcane.
- State Advised Prices (SAP) are announced by state governments and are generally higher than the Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

75. The term Persona Non Grata was recently in the news. It is related to which of the following:

- A diplomatic row between China and Canada
- A principle to protect the rights of migrants
- A new trade agreement between India and Japan
- A new initiative launched by the World Health Organization

76. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- The India State of Forest Report (ISFR) 2021 classifies Goa's forest cover as "Moderately fire prone."
- Over the last two decades, Mizoram has seen the highest forest fires.
- Forest Fire Prevention and Management Scheme (FFPM) is implemented by Forest Survey of India

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 only
- 1, 2 and 3

77. Consider the following statements regarding 'Convention on Migratory Species (CMS)':

- Convention on Migratory Species is also known as Bonn Convention.
- It is a legally binding treaty to conserve terrestrial, marine and avian migratory species throughout their range.
- India has signed a legally binding MoU with CMS on conservation of Siberian Cranes, Marine Turtles, Dugongs, and Raptors.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

78. With reference to the Enforcement Directorate (ED), consider the following statements:

1. It deals with investigation of offences of money laundering and violations of foreign exchange laws.
2. Recruitment of the officers is done by drawing officers from other investigation agencies.

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

79. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. "Poshan Bhi, Padhai Bhi", is a flagship programme, under the Union Ministry for Education.
2. The training for anganwadi staff will be provided by the National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

80. Consider the following statements regarding 'Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)':

1. The CBAM will be applied to imports of certain goods and selected precursors whose production is carbon intensive and at most significant risk of carbon leakage.
2. The import of cement, iron and steel comes under the ambit of CBAM because of being carbon intensive products.

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

81. Which of the following recently became India's first city to track progress on the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)?

- (a) Pune (b) Bhopal  
(c) Chennai (d) Indore

82. Consider the following statements:

1. As compared to carbon dioxide, methane is not only more potent in terms of global warming capacity but also has a longer lifespan in the atmosphere.
2. At the UNFCCC COP27, nearly 100 countries took the Global Methane Pledge to cut methane emissions by at least 40% by 2030 from the 2020 levels.
3. As a part of the Global Methane Pledge, the Govt of India launched the Methane Alert and Response System (MARS) to be administered by the CPC(b)

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

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

83. The exercise, Samudra Shakti-23 is conducted between which of the following countries?

- (a) India and Indonesia  
(b) India and Malaysia  
(c) India and Thailand  
(d) India and Vietnam

84. With reference to the characteristics of Mitochondria, consider the following statements:

1. They are found in the cells of most eukaryotic organisms.
2. They have their own DN(a)
3. They generate the majority of the cell's energy in the form of Adenosine Triphosphate (ATP).

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

85. Consider the following statements:

1. Graphite, Lithium and Cobalt are among the major critical minerals.
2. India is a member of Minerals Security Partnership (MSP).

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

## Answers

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