



Monthly Editorial Quiz (Consolidation)

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1. Regarding the Five-eyes Alliance, consider the following statements:

1. The 'Five Eyes' is a multilateral intelligence-sharing network between Australia, Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and the United States.
2. It is both surveillance-based and signals intelligence (SIGINT).
3. To increase cooperation and maintain closeness, the Five Eyes Intelligence Oversight and Review Council (FIORC) has also been created.

How many of the statements given above are **not** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

2. With reference to the United Nations Charter, consider the following statements:

1. The Charter of the United Nations is the founding document of the United Nations.
2. The UN Charter is an instrument of international law, but UN Member States are not bound by it.

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 the Oslo Accords, consider the following statements:

1. The Oslo Accords were the first direct Palestinian-Israeli Peace Agreement.
2. The first Oslo Accords, known as Oslo I, was signed in 1993.
3. The second accord, known as Oslo II, was signed in 1995.

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

4. With reference to the Abraham Accords, consider the following statements:

1. The Abraham Accords are a series of agreements to normalize relations between Israel and Iran.
2. Following the Abraham Accords, I2U2 Group was formed, comprising Israel, India, Iran and the US, focusing on critical areas such as water, energy, transportation etc.
3. Accords laid the foundation for expanded regional and multinational cooperation, leading to economic opportunities for India.

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

5. Recently the term 'Tatmadaw' was in news. Which of the following statement is true about it:

- A. It is a frog species recently discovered in Himalayas.
- B. It is a bilateral exercise between India and Bangladesh.
- C. It is a satellite recently launched by China.
- D. The Tatmadaw is the military of Myanmar (formerly Burma).

6. With reference to the Three Brotherhood Alliance, consider the following statements:

1. Three Brotherhood Alliance is a coalition of three ethnic armed groups in Myanmar.
2. It works in close coordination with the Myanmar Army.

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

7. Regarding the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), consider the following statements:

1. It was established under the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Act, 1997.
2. Its function is to regulate telecom services, including fixation/revision of tariffs for telecom services which were earlier vested in the Central Government.
3. The TRAI Act was amended in 2000, establishing a Telecommunications Dispute Settlement and Appellate Tribunal (TDSAT) to take over the adjudicatory and disputes functions from TRAI.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. One Only
- B. Two Only
- C. All Three
- D. None

8. With reference to International North–South Transport Corridor, consider the following statements:

1. It is a Multi-Mode Transit System that connects ship, rail, and road routes for moving cargo between SAARC members.
2. It begins from the Jawaharlal Nehru Port in Mumbai and connects to the Bandar Abbas port on the Strait of Hormuz.

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. Regarding the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), consider the following statements:
1. It is a survey conducted by the National Statistical Organisation (NSO) under the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI).
 2. The NSO launched the PLFS 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
10. With reference to Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA), 1958, consider the following statements:
1. It can be imposed only by the Governor of a state, on the state or parts of it, after these areas are declared "disturbed" under the Act.
 2. The notification for Manipur and Assam is issued by the State governments.
- 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. Regarding the G20 grouping consider the following statements:
1. The G20 Leaders Summit was established in response to the global financial crisis that occurred in the wake of the collapse of the Lehman Brothers bank.
 2. The two official G20 tracks are the Finance Track and the Sherpa Track.
 3. The G20 troika system consists of the current, previous, and next G20 presidencies.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
12. Regarding the Comptroller and Auditor General(CAG) consider the following statements:
1. CAG is a statutory body.
 2. Office of the Accountant General, a precursor of CAG, was established in 1858
 3. He is an integral part of the Indian Parliament.
- 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
13. Regarding India-Myanmar relations, consider the following statements:
1. India shares the largest border with Myanmar.
 2. India is building the Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport, a road-river-port cargo transport project, with Myanmar.
 3. India, Myanmar, and Thailand are building the Asian Trilateral Highway, which will connect India to ASEAN.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- A. 1 only
 - B. 1 and 2 only
 - C. 2 and 3 only
 - D. 1, 2 and 3 only
14. Regarding the Loss and damage fund, consider the following statements:
1. The loss and damage fund is a global financial package to ensure the rescue and rehabilitation of countries facing the cascading effects of climate change.
 2. The loss and damage fund was first announced during COP27 in New Delhi.
- 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. Regarding the G-77 grouping, consider the following statements:
1. The Group of 77 is the largest intergovernmental organization of developing countries in the United Nations.
 2. The Group of 77's Foreign Ministers meet annually at the UN General Assembly's regular session in New York.
 3. The Group of 77 sponsors projects on South-South cooperation through funding from the Perez-Guerrero Trust Fund for South-South Cooperation (PGTF).
- 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:
1. The Gross Value Added(GVA) measures the monetary measure of all "final" goods and services produced in a country in a given period.
 2. Gross Domestic Product(GDP) is the output of the country less the intermediate consumption, which is the difference between gross output and net output.
 3. The GDP can be derived by looking at the GVA data.

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

17. Consider the following statements:

1. National Statistical Office (NSO) has been formed through the merger of the National Sample Survey Office(NSSO) and the Central Statistical Office(CSO).
2. The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation has two wings, one relating to Statistics and the other- Programme Implementation.

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

18. Regarding the e-Shram portal, consider the following statements:

1. It has been launched by the Niti Aayog.
2. The objective is to register 38 crore unorganized workers such as construction labourers, migrant workforce, street vendors, and domestic workers, among others.
3. The workers will be issued an e-Shram card containing a 16-digit unique number.

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

19. "State of Working India 2023" is released/submitted by which of the following?

- A. Azim Premji University
- B. Niti Aayog
- C. Reserve Bank of India
- D. Ministry of Labour and Employment

20. Regarding the Rat Hole Mining consider the following statements:

1. Rat hole mining is a method of extracting coal from narrow, horizontal seams, prevalent in Meghalaya.
2. It has statutory backing under the Mining Act, 1952.

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 the International Labour Organisation, consider the following statements:

1. It was created in 1919, as part of the Treaty of Versailles that ended World War I.
2. In 1946, the ILO became a specialized agency of the newly formed United Nations.
3. The ILO accomplishes its work through three main bodies which comprise governments, employers, and workers representatives.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

22. Regarding the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016, consider the following statements:

1. It provides for a separate National and State Fund to be created to provide financial support to persons with disabilities.
2. It increases the quantum of reservation for people suffering from disabilities from 3% to 14% in government jobs and from 3% to 15% in higher education institutes
3. The Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities and the State Commissioners will act as regulatory bodies and Grievance Redressal agencies, monitoring implementation of the Act.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3 only

23. Regarding the Sparking Disability Inclusive Rural Transformation - SPARK project consider the following statements:

1. SPARK project is implemented in four countries - India, Malawi, Burkina Faso and Mozambique.
2. Indian Government is implementing this project in all four countries as its outreach to the Global South.
3. The SPARK project uses a systemic action learning approach to impact the lives of persons with disabilities.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3 only

24. Which of the following best describes 'Social Capital':

- A. It is the capital accumulated by the society.
- B. It is another term for Demographic dividend.
- C. It is a type of mutual fund.
- D. It is a sense of belonging and the concrete experience of social networking that can bring great benefits to people.

25. Consider the following statements:

1. Cost-push inflation means prices have been “pushed up” by increases in the costs of any of the four factors of production when companies are already running at full production capacity.
2. Demand-pull inflation occurs when there is a decrease in aggregate demand.

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. Regarding mRNA vaccines, consider the following statements:

1. They are not considered safe as mRNA is infectious, integrating in nature.
2. It is highly efficacious because of its inherent capability of being translatable into the protein structure inside the cell cytoplasm.
3. mRNA vaccines are fully synthetic and do not require a host for growth, e.g., eggs or bacteria.

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 only

27. Regarding the One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC), consider the following statements:

1. The ONORC scheme is being implemented under the National Food Security Act (NFSA).
2. This system allows all NFSA beneficiaries, particularly migrant beneficiaries, to claim either full or part foodgrains from any Fair Price Shop (FPS) in the country.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

Consider the following statements:

1. The Ministry of Information and Broadcasting(MIB) regulates cable TV operators and TV channels through the Cable Television Networks Regulation Act of 1995(CTN Act).
2. MIB also regulates OTT and digital news content under Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021.

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. Consider the following pairs:

Region	Tribes
1. Arunachal Pradesh	(a) Adis, Nyishi, Apatani
2. Meghalaya	(b) Khasis, the Garos, Jaintias
3. Tripura	(c) Karen, Kachin, Chin
4. Myanmar	(d) Tripuri, Reang, Chakma

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

- A. 1 only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 1, 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2,3 and 4 only

29. Regarding the Five-Eyes Alliance, consider the following statements:

1. The alliance’s origins can be traced back to the Second World War.
2. Following its origin, the agency later enlarged its core group to ‘Nine Eyes’ expanding to cover the Netherlands, Denmark, France, and India.
3. It was further expanded to 14 Eyes alliances as well, encompassing Belgium, Italy, Germany, Spain, and Sweden.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

30. Consider the following pairs:

Disputed Place	Countries
1. Essequibo	(a) Guyana-Venezuela
2. Senkaku (Diaoyu) islands	(b) Japan-Russia
3. Kuril Islands	(c) Japan-China

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

31. With which of the following states Telangana shares its border:

- A. Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu
- B. Goa, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh
- C. Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Karnataka, Maharashtra
- D. Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh

32. Regarding Mizoram, consider the following statements:
1. It is a landlocked region in the Northeastern part of India.
 2. It shares borders with Myanmar, Bangladesh, Manipur, Assam and Tripura.
 3. It is the first organic state of India.

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

33. Regarding the stock market, consider the following statements:

1. A bear market refers to a market where share prices are continuously declining.
2. A bull market refers to a market that experiences a sustained increase in market share prices.
3. During a bear market, the economy slows down and unemployment rises as companies begin laying off workers.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

34. Regarding The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2019 consider the following statements:

1. The Bill prohibits discrimination of transgenders in relation to opportunities for education, job, health care services, and access to services etc.
2. A certificate of identity has to be obtained from the District Magistrate, who will issue the certificate based on the District Screening Committee.
3. Government shall review the medical curriculum to address health issues of transgender persons, and provide comprehensive medical insurance schemes for them.

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

35. Regarding Lok Sabha's Ethics Committee, consider the following statements:

1. The members of the Ethics Committee are appointed by the Speaker for a full five-year term.
2. The committee comprises 15 members.
3. The committee's function is to examine every complaint relating to unethical conduct of a Member of Lok Sabha referred to it by the Speaker and make such recommendations as it may deem fit.

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 only

36. Regarding the Finance Commission, consider the following statements:

1. The Finance Commission is constituted by the President under article 280 of the Constitution.
2. It assesses the financial status of Union and State Governments, suggests tax allocation, and defines principles for distributing taxes among States.
3. The recommendations of the Fifteenth Finance Commission are valid up to the financial year 2025-26.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

37. "World Trade Report" is released/submitted by which of the following?

- A. World Bank
- B. International Monetary Fund(IMF)
- C. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development(UNCTAD)
- D. World Trade Organisation(WTO)

38. Regarding India Stack, consider the following statements:

1. India Stack is a government-led initiative that focuses on building a robust digital infrastructure to enable various digital services across different sectors.
2. INDIA Stack aims to streamline and enhance identity verification, data exchange, and digital payment processes to make them more accessible and efficient for citizens.
3. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been with the Maldives to share India Stack.

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

39. Regarding B.R.Ambedkar, consider the following statements:

1. He started an Association for the welfare of the depressed classes in 1924.
2. He started the Bahishkrit Bharat newspaper to address the cause of the depressed classes.
3. He didn't participate in either of the three Round Table Conferences.

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

40. Regarding National Crime Records Bureau, consider the following statements:

1. It was set up in 1986 under the Ministry of Home Affairs to function as a repository of information on crime and criminals.
2. It has been designated as the Central Nodal Agency to manage technical and operational functions of the 'Online Cyber-Crime Reporting Portal'.

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

41. Regarding the Initial Public Offer(IPO), consider the following statements:

1. It is the process by which a privately held company, or a company owned by the government such as LIC, raises funds by offering shares to the public or to new investors.
2. After an initial public offering (IPO), a listed company has the opportunity to augment its share capital for future growth and expansion via a follow-on public offering (FPO).
3. While coming up with an IPO, the company has to file its offer document with the market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3 only

42. Consider the following statements:

1. A K-shaped recovery is when path of different parts of the economy charted together may diverge, resembling the two arms of the Roman letter "K."
2. A V-shaped recovery is characterized by a quick and sustained recovery in measures of economic performance after a sharp economic decline.
3. An L-shaped recovery is a type of recovery characterized by a slow rate of recovery, with persistent unemployment and stagnant economic growth.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. One Only
- B. Two Only
- C. All Three
- D. None

43. Regarding the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), consider the following statements:

1. The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) is a permanent, intergovernmental organization, created at the Baghdad Conference in 1960.
2. It is headquartered in Kuwait, Saudia Arabia.
3. OPEC membership is open to any country that is a substantial exporter of oil and which shares the ideals of the organization.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3 only

44. Which one of the following best describes/defines GDP Deflator?

- A. It is the error in the calculation of Gross Domestic Product(GDP).
- B. It is the relative GDP with respect to neighbouring countries.
- C. It is the GDP calculated in Purchasing power parities(PPP) terms.
- D. It is the ratio of the value of goods and services an economy produces in a particular year at current prices to that of prices that prevailed during the base year.

45. Regarding the Global Methane Pledge, consider the following statements:

1. It is launched at COP (Conference of Parties) 28 in December 2023 to catalyze action to reduce methane emissions.
2. It is led by the United States and the European Union.
3. By joining the Pledge, countries commit to work together to collectively reduce methane emissions by 70% by 2030.

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

46. Regarding the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, consider the following statements:

1. It aims at the effective prevention of unlawful activity associations in India.
2. The investigating agency can file a charge sheet in a maximum 90 days after the arrests and the duration can be extended further after intimating the court.
3. An individual can be designated as terrorists on certain grounds provided in the Act.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

47. Regarding the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence (GPAI), consider the following statements:

1. GPAI strives to narrow the theory-practice gap in AI through collaborative efforts, fostering advanced research and practical initiatives on key AI priorities.
2. It was launched at the recently concluded G20 Summit 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

48. 'Shreya Singhal Case' often seen in news is related to:

- A. It allowed Same-sex marriage
- B. It abolished the practice of Triple Talaq
- C. It struck down the Special Marriage Act, 1954
- D. It struck down Section 66A of IT Act

49. Regarding the Global Innovation Index(GII) 2023, consider the following statements:

1. Published annually, GII is a leading reference for measuring an economy's innovation ecosystem performance.
2. While the United States is at the top of the ranking, India retained the 40th rank out of 132 economies in the 2023 ranking.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

50. Regarding the International Intellectual Property (IP) Index 2023, consider the following statements:

1. The Index evaluates the IP framework in each economy across 50 unique indicators.
2. India ranks 42nd among 55 leading global economies on the International Intellectual Property (IP) Index 2023.
3. It is released by the World Bank.

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

51. Regarding the Hedge funds, consider the following statements:

1. It is a private investment partnership where professional managers employ various strategies, such as leveraging and trading non-traditional assets, to achieve high returns for private investors.
2. An investor in a hedge fund is commonly regarded as an accredited investor, which requires a minimum level of income or assets.
3. They commonly use the least riskier investment strategies.

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

52. Regarding Anti Microbial Resistance, consider the following statements:

1. It is the resistance acquired by any microorganism (bacteria, viruses, fungi, parasites, etc.) against antimicrobial drugs that are used to treat infections.
2. Microorganisms that develop antimicrobial resistance are sometimes referred to as "superbugs".
3. Jaipur Declaration is related to Anti Microbial Resistance.

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

53. Which of the following is **NOT** true regarding Teesta River:

1. Teesta River is a tributary of the Ganga (known as Jamuna in Bangladesh), flowing through India and Bangladesh.
2. It originates in the Himalayas near Chunthang, Sikkim, and flows to the south through West Bengal before entering Bangladesh.
3. Border Roads Organisation (BRO) has opened a 360-feet-long bailey suspension bridge over the Teesta river in Munshithang, Sikkim.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3 only

54. Consider the following pairs:

Project	Countries
1. Akhura-Agartala Cross Border Rail Link	India-Bhutan
2. Gorakhpur-Bhutwal Transmission Line	India-Nepal
3. Punatsangchu-I	India-Bangladesh

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

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 1, 2 and 3 only
- D. None

55. Regarding 69th Amendment Act, 1992, consider the following statements:

- 1. It added two new Articles 239AA and 239AB under which the Union Territory of Delhi has been given a special status.
- 2. It establishes a Delhi legislative assembly empowered to legislate on State and Concurrent List subjects, excluding public order, land, and police matters.

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. World Economic Outlook is released/submitted by which of the following?

- A. World Bank
- B. International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- C. World Trade Organisation
- D. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

57. Regarding the GST Council, consider the following statements:

- 1. It came into force by the 96th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2016.
- 2. It was set up by the President as per Article 279A (1) of the amended Constitution.
- 3. The council is devised in such a way that the centre will have 1/3rd voting power and the states have 2/3rd.

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 only

58. For a person to be chosen as a member of the state legislature, Consider the following:

- 1. He must be not less than 25 years of age.
- 2. He must be an elector for an assembly constituency in the concerned state.
- 3. A member of scheduled castes or scheduled tribes can't contest a seat not reserved for them.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. Only Three
- D. None

59. Regarding Hong Kong, consider the following statements:

- 1. Hong Kong's strategic location on the Pearl River Delta and the South China Sea has made it one of the world's most thriving and cosmopolitan cities.
- 2. According to Sino-British Joint Declaration Britain would be responsible for the administration of Hong Kong until 1997.

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

60. Regarding the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI), consider the following statements:

- 1. It was established under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016.
- 2. It's an extra-constitutional entity managing insolvency rules for Indian corporations, partnership firms, and individuals in India.
- 3. It has 10 members, representing the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, and the Reserve Bank of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3 only

61. Joint Exercises like "Ekuverin", "Dosti", "Ekatha" and "Operation Shield" are carried by India with which of the following country?

- A. United Kingdom
- B. Bangladesh
- C. Myanmar
- D. Maldives

62. Regarding Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP), consider the following statements:

- 1. The scheme aims to broaden access to high-quality generic medicines, lowering out-of-pocket expenses on drugs and reshaping the per-person treatment cost.
- 2. The Janaushadhi scheme requires that at least ten Janaushadhi Stores be set up in each District of the country.
- 3. A medicine under PMBJP is priced on the principle of a maximum of 50% of the average price of the top three branded medicines.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

63. Regarding India-Africa Relations, consider the following statements:

1. Recently, the 20-member Africa Expert Group (AEG), was constituted by the Government of India in collaboration with African Union.
2. Indo Africa Forum Summit is a programme fully sponsored by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).
3. The G20 leaders, under India's G20 chairmanship, have recently endorsed the inclusion of the African Union as a permanent member of the G20.

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 only

64. Regarding the India-Myanmar Relations, consider the following statements:

1. Myanmar, as the sole ASEAN nation sharing a border with India, serves as the entry point to Southeast Asia.
2. The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has introduced a plan to build a 100-kilometer Smart Fencing System (SFS) along the India-Myanmar border.
3. Four northeastern states, viz. Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Manipur, and Assam share land border with India.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

65. Regarding the legislative framework related to refugees in India, consider the following statements:

1. India lacks specific legislation to address the problem of refugees.
2. Under Section 3 of the Foreigners Act of 1946, the Central government is empowered to detect, detain and deport illegal foreign nationals.
3. Citizenship Amendment Act, 2019 (CAA) seeks to provide citizenship only to Hindu, Christian, Jain, Parsi, Sikh, and Buddhist immigrants persecuted in any part of the world.

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. Regarding the National Crisis Management Committee (NCMC), consider the following statements:

1. NCMC is a committee set up to coordinate and implement relief measures and operations in the wake of a natural calamity.
2. NCMC is headed by the Prime Minister 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

67. Regarding Nutrient Based Subsidy(NBS), consider the following statements:

1. Under the NBS regime – fertilizers are provided to the farmers at subsidized rates based on the nutrients (N, P, K & S) contained in these fertilizers.
2. Fertilizers that are fortified with secondary and micronutrients such as molybdenum (Mo) and zinc are given additional subsidies.
3. It has been implemented since April 2010 by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare.

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

68. Regarding Chattisgarh, consider the following statements:

1. It is surrounded by seven states.
2. It is the sole producer of Tin in India.
3. The holy confluence of three rivers Mahanadi (Chitrotpala), Pairi, and Sondur, called Triveni Sangam lies in Chhattisgarh.

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

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. None

69. Consider the following statements:

1. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) was adopted in 1950.
2. The Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (CHRI) works under the aegis of the United Nations.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

70. Consider the following pairs:

Dance	State
1. Kalbelia	(a) Rajasthan
2. Chhau	(b) Goa
3. Sankirtana	(c) Tamil Nadu
4. Mudi yettu	(d) Karnataka

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, 3 and 4

71. Regarding Garba, consider the following statements:

1. It has recently been inscribed in the Representative List of Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) of Humanity by UNESCO.
2. It is the 10th ICH element from India to join this 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

72. Regarding the West Bank, consider the following statements:

1. It contains a significant section of the western Dead Sea.
2. It was captured by Israel after the Arab-Israeli War (1948) but Jordan snatched it back during the Six-Day War of 1967 and has occupied it ever since.
3. It is sandwiched between Israel and Jordan.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3 only

73. Regarding the Wholesale Price Index(WPI), consider the following statements:

1. It measures the changes in the prices of goods sold and traded in bulk by wholesale businesses to other businesses.
2. It is published by the Office of Economic Adviser, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
3. The base year for the All-India WPI has recently been revised to 2022.

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

74. Regarding the Monetary Policy Committee, consider the following statements:

1. It is constituted by the central government under the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act, 2003.
2. The Monetary Policy Committee determines the Policy Rate required to achieve the inflation target.
3. It consists of 6 members and the RBI Governor acts as its ex officio chairperson.

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 only

75. Regarding the India-Sri Lanka relations, consider the following statements:

1. Indo-Lanka Accord 1987 was signed to resolve Sri Lanka's ethnic conflict.
2. The two countries are separated by the Palk Strait.
3. Mitra Shakti and SLINEX are joint exercises between the two countries.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

76. Regarding the Maitree Super Thermal Power Project, consider the following statements:

1. It is being developed between India and Nepal.
2. It is s Carried out under an Indian Concessional Financing Scheme loan of USD 1.6 billion.

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. The report 'The Global Climate 2011-2020' was recently released/submitted by which of the following?

- A. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change(IPCC)
- B. World Bank
- C. World Meteorological Organisation (WMO)
- D. India Meteorological Department(IMD)

78. Consider the following pairs:

Location	Country
1. Rwenzori Mountains	(a) Tibet
2. Mount Kilimanjaro	(b) Tanzania
3. Chungthang Dam	(c) Sikkim

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

79. Regarding the Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunications (SWIFT), consider the following statements:

1. It is the largest and most streamlined method for international payments and settlements.

2. It works by assigning each member institution a unique ID code that identifies the bank name and the country, city, and branch.
3. It has been used to impose economic sanctions on Iran, Russia, and Belarus.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

80. Regarding the Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF), consider the following statements:

1. The MTEF statement sets a three-year rolling target for expenditure indicators, along with specifications of underpinning assumptions and risks.
2. This statement is presented in Parliament under Section 3 of the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act, 2003.
3. The MTEF statement is part of the budget document.

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

81. Regarding the Lok Sabha's Ethics Committee, consider the following statements:

1. Any person can complain against a Member through another Lok Sabha MP.
2. The Speaker can refer to the Committee any complaint against an MP.
3. The Committee presents its report to the President who can terminate the member.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

82. Regarding Parliamentary privileges, consider the following statements:

1. Parliamentary privileges are special rights, immunities, and exemptions enjoyed by the two Houses of Parliament, their committees, and their members.
2. These privileges are defined in Article 142 of the Indian Constitution.
3. Under these privileges, the members of Parliament are exempted from both civil and criminal liability for any statement made or act done in the course of their duties.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2, and 3 only

83. Regarding the National Food Security Act (NFSA), 2013 consider the following statements:

1. The objective is to ensure dignified living by providing affordable, quality food throughout the human life cycle for food and nutritional security.
2. 75% of the rural population and up to 75% of the urban population are eligible for receiving subsidized foodgrains under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS).
3. NFSA mandates that the Central Government may from time to time give directions to the State Governments for effective implementation of the provisions of the Act.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

84. Consider the following statements:

1. In the Golaknath case (1967), The Supreme Court conceded absolute power to Parliament in amending the Constitution.
2. In the Shankari Prasad case (1951) and the Sajjan Singh case (1965) the Supreme Court held that Parliament could not amend Fundamental Rights.
3. In the Kesavananda Bharati case court held that any provision of the Indian Constitution can be amended by the Parliament provided that such amendment did not change the Constitution's basic structure.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

85. Regarding the Genetic Engineering Appraisal Committee, consider the following statements:

1. It functions under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
2. It is chaired by the Secretary of the Department of Biotechnology (DBT).

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

86. Recently terms like Gemini, Bard, and Claude were in the news. These are related to:
- Gene editing tool
 - Drones
 - Satellite
 - Artificial Intelligence(AI) chatbot

87. Consider the following statements:

1. NPA refers to a classification for loans or advances that are in default or are in arrears on scheduled payments of principal or interest.
2. Provisioning Coverage Ratio is the ratio of a bank's capital in relation to its risk-weighted assets and current liabilities.
3. Capital Adequacy Ratio refers to the prescribed percentage of funds to be set aside by the banks for covering the prospective losses due to bad loans.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

1. Only One
2. Only Two
3. All Three
4. None

88. Regarding the Loss and Damage Fund, consider the following statements:

1. The loss and damage fund is a global financial package to ensure the rescue and rehabilitation of countries facing the cascading effects of climate change
2. The World Bank will oversee the loss and damage fund in the beginning, with the source of funds being rich nations.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 Only
- 2 Only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

89. Regarding Odisha, consider the following statements:

1. It shares its border with four states.
2. It is the largest Iron producing state in India.
3. It is also the largest Wheat producing State in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

90. Consider the following :

1. Independence of Judiciary
2. Rigidity of constitution
3. Single government polity
4. Bicameralism

Which of the above represents features of Federalism?

- 1 and 2 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1,2 and 4 only
- 1, 2 and 3 only

91. Consider the following statements:

1. Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) was established in 1960 by founding members Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and the United States.
2. OPEC produces about 40% of the world's crude oil and its members' exports make up around 60% of global petroleum trade.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 Only
- 2 Only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

92. Which of the following gives the Emission Gap Report, 2023?

- United Nations Environment Program(UNEP)
- Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
- World Meteorological Organization
- World Bank

93. Consider the following statements:

1. Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) Synthesis Report was released by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change(UNFCCC).
2. NDCs are at the heart of the Kyoto Protocol and embody efforts by each country to reduce national emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 Only
- 2 Only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

94. Regarding the Tropical Cyclone, consider the following statements:

1. Tropical cyclones originating in tropical oceans move towards coastlines, bringing extensive destruction with strong winds, heavy rain, and storm surges.
2. Tropical cyclones originate and intensify over cold tropical oceans.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 Only
- 2 Only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

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

1. The United Nations Security Council has primary responsibility for the maintenance of international peace and security.
2. It has 15 Members, and each Member has voting rights equivalent to their financial contribution to the United Nations.

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

96. Regarding Maize, consider the following statements:

1. Old Alluvial soil is best suited for its production.
2. The highest maize-producing state in India is Uttar Pradesh.
3. Technology Mission on Maize is one of the government's initiatives for maize.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3 only

97. Regarding the Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission (IPC), consider the following statements:

1. It focuses on the prompt release of the Indian Pharmacopoeia under the Second Schedule of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940.
2. It is an autonomous body under the administrative control of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
3. The Secretary, of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, is the Chairperson of the Commission.

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

98. Regarding Ethanol Blending consider the following statements:

1. Ethanol is a less polluting fuel and offers equivalent efficiency but at a higher cost than petrol.
2. It is aimed at reducing the country's dependence on crude oil imports, cutting carbon emissions, and boosting farmers' incomes.
3. The Government of India has advanced the target for 20% ethanol blending in petrol (also called E20) from 2025 to 2030.

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 only

99. Regarding the Foreign Contribution Regulation Act, consider the following statements:

1. Any citizen, including candidates, journalists, media companies, judges, government servants, politicians, and political organizations, can receive foreign funds.
2. FCRA registration is valid for five years, and NGOs must apply for renewal within six months of the registration's expiry.
3. The 2020 amendment reduced the limit of usage of foreign contributions for administrative expenses from 50% to 20%.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

100. Regarding the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, consider the following statements:

1. Under UAPA, only Indian nationals can be charged.
2. Under UAPA, the investigating agency can file a charge sheet in maximum 180 days after the arrests.
3. The 2004 amendment to the act, added "terrorist act" to the list of offences to ban organisations for terrorist activities.

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

101. Regarding the Patent consider the following statements:

1. The term of every patent in India is twenty-five years from the date of filing the patent application.
2. The patent system in India is governed by the Patents Act, 1970.
3. Patents (Amendment) Rules, 2021 has increased the fee for patent filing for educational institutions by 80%.

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

102. Regarding the Patents consider the following statements:

1. Evergreening of Patent is the grant of permission by the government to entities to use, manufacture, import a patented invention without the patent owner's consent.
2. Compulsory Licensing (CL) is a strategy to prolong a patent's term in a jurisdiction nearing expiration, enabling the retention of royalties through the acquisition of new patents.
3. CL is permitted under the WTO's TRIPS (IPR) Agreement.

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

103. Regarding Sickle cell disease consider the following statements:

1. Sickle cell disease is a genetic blood disorder characterized by an abnormality in haemoglobin.
2. The National Sickle Cell Anaemia Eradication Mission in India targets the elimination of sickle cell anaemia by 2024.

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

104. Consider the following statements:

1. The Constitution does not contain any specific procedure for the selection and appointment of the Chief Minister.
2. A person who is not a member of the state legislature cannot be appointed as Chief Minister.
3. The Constitution does not require that a person must prove his majority in the legislative assembly before he is appointed as the Chief Minister.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

105. Regarding the Belt and Road Initiative, consider the following statements:

1. The initiative includes two principal components the Silk Road Economic Belt and the Maritime Silk Road.
2. It passes from the Pakistan-occupied Kashmir.
3. The BRI has raised geopolitical concerns, particularly regarding China's growing influence and control over critical infrastructure in partner countries.

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

106. Regarding the Asian Development Bank (ADB) consider the following statements:

1. India is a founding member of ADB.
2. ADB is headquartered in Manila, Philippines.
3. China is the largest shareholder followed by India.

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

107. Regarding the New Development Bank (NDB) consider the following statements:

1. It is a multilateral development bank jointly founded by the SAARC countries.
2. It is headquartered in New Delhi.
3. It has an observer status in the United Nations General Assembly.

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

108. Consider the following statements:

1. European Union (EU) has proposed the world's first comprehensive legislation aimed at regulating the use of Artificial intelligence (AI).
2. General Data Protection Regulation focuses on a comprehensive data protection law for the processing of personal data in Europe.
3. European Union is yet to join the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence (GPAI).

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

109. Consider the following pairs:

Term	Related to
1. Darfur Genocide	Sudan
2. Operation Northern Shield	Israel
3. Houthi Rebel	Yemen
4. Hamas	West Bank

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

- A. 1 only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 1,2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

110. Regarding India-Sri Lanka Relations, consider the following statements:

1. India became the first country to hand over its letter of support for financing and debt restructuring of Sri Lanka.
2. Sri Lanka is the first country in the world that has adopted India's UPI service.
3. Mitra Shakti and SLINEX are the two joint exercises between the two countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3 only

111. Consider the following statements:

1. The term 'federation' has been explicitly mentioned in the constitution.
2. Indian federalism is based on the principle of holding together rather than coming together.
3. The concept of having a strong center in the Indian federal system is based on the Canadian model.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

112. Consider the following statements:

1. The six freedoms provided under Article 19 are only available against the state and its instrumentalities.
2. The right to acquire, hold, and dispose of property was deleted by the 62nd Amendment Act of 1978.
3. The State can impose 'reasonable' restrictions on the enjoyment of six rights under Article 19 on any ground.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

113. Regarding the Fiscal Deficit consider the following statements:

1. A low fiscal deficit can lead to inflation, devaluation of the currency, and an increase in the debt burden.
2. A persistent low fiscal deficit leads to an increase in government debt, which puts pressure on future generations to repay the debt.
3. Higher fiscal deficit leads to crowding in effect in the economy.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

114. Regarding the Sixth Schedule, consider the following statements:

1. It provides for the administration of tribal areas in Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura, and Manipur.
2. It was based on the reports of the Bardoloi Committee formed by the Constituent Assembly.
3. It gives the tribals freedom to exercise legislative and executive powers through an autonomous regional council and autonomous district councils (ADCs).

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 only

115. Regarding the Member of Parliament, consider the following statements:

1. To get elected he must be not less than 35 years of age in the case of the Rajya Sabha and not less than 27 years of age in the case of the Lok Sabha.
2. He must be a member of a scheduled caste or scheduled tribe in any state or union territory if he wants to contest a seat reserved for them
3. He can be disqualified if he has been convicted of any offense resulting in imprisonment for one or more years.

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

116. Regarding the India-China Relations, consider the following statements:

1. India and China are both members of the BRICS, the SCO, the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB), and the New Development Bank (NDB).
2. India shares the longest border with China.

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

117. Regarding, Non-Communicable Diseases, consider the following statement:

1. Noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) tend to be of long duration and result from a combination of genetic, physiological, environmental, and behavioral factors.
2. The National Programme for Prevention & Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NP-NCD) is being implemented under the National Health Mission (NHM) across the country.

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

118. Consider the following statements:

1. India's agriculture sector has witnessed a robust average annual growth rate of 4.6% over the last six years.
2. In recent years, India has emerged as the net exporter of agricultural 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

119. Regarding the Global Cooling Pledge, consider the following statements:

1. It is an initiative of India in the 2023 United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP28).
2. It aims to raise ambition and international cooperation through collective global targets to reduce cooling-related emissions by 68% from today by 2050.

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

120. Regarding the International Solar Alliance (ISA) consider the following statements:

1. The ISA aims to mobilise USD 1,000 billion of investments in solar energy solutions by 2030.
2. The ISA was conceived as a joint effort by India and the United States to mobilize efforts against climate change through deployment of solar energy solutions.
3. Currently, only countries between the tropics are eligible to join the alliance.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2, and 3

121. Regarding the Global Biofuel Alliance, consider the following statements:

1. It has recently been launched at the COP28 held in 2023 in Dubai.
2. The World Economic Forum, the World Bank, and the Asian Development Bank are members of the Global Biofuel Alliance

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

122. Regarding the International Energy Agency, consider the following statements:

1. It is a subsidiary organ of the United Nations.
2. The World Energy Outlook Report is one of its major reports.
3. A country needs to be a member of the United Nations to be a member of IEA.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2, and 3

123. Regarding the PM Gati Shakti Scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It is a Made in India initiative, a transformative 'whole-of-government' approach for integrated planning of multimodal infrastructure connectivity.
2. It aims to extend 4G connectivity to all villages of India.
3. It will subsume the National Infrastructure Pipeline launched in 2019.

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

124. Regarding the Nirbhaya Fund, consider the following statements:

1. Established by the Ministry of Finance, this fund is specifically designed to support initiatives focused on improving the safety and security of women in the country.
2. A committee of officers, empowered under the Secretary of the Ministry of Women and Child Development, was established to oversee the funds.
3. It is a non-lapseable fund.

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

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

125. Regarding the Paris Agreement, consider the following statements:

1. It is a legally binding global agreement under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) that was adopted in 2015.
2. It replaced the Montreal Protocol which was an earlier agreement to deal with climate change.
3. Under the Paris Agreement, each country is required to submit and update its Nationally determined contribution (NDCs) every 15 years.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

126. Regarding the Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) consider the following statements:

1. The Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) is the European Union's mechanism to fight carbon leakage.
2. It will equalize the price of carbon between domestic products and imports.
3. It is a WTO-compatible measure that encourages global industry to embrace greener and more sustainable technologies.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

127. Regarding the Arbitration and Conciliation (Amendment) Act, 2019, consider the following statements:

1. It seeks to establish an independent body called the Arbitration Council of India (ACI).
2. It would bring about parity among all the stakeholders in the arbitration process.

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

128. Consider the following statements

1. The global stocktake is an assessment of progress made towards mitigating global warming since the Paris Agreement in 2015.
2. The L&D fund is a corpus of money and technologies that will be replenished by developed countries and used by the rest to respond to the more unavoidable effects of climate change.

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

129. Regarding the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), consider the following statements:

1. The National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) is a constitutional body.
2. The NDMA was formally constituted in 2006, by the 67th Constitutional Amendment Act.
3. It is headed by the Union Home Minister and has 15 other members.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

130. Regarding the Inflation consider the following statements:

1. Headline Inflation is the total inflation for the period, comprising a basket of commodities.
2. The food and fuel inflation form one of the components of headline inflation in India.
3. Core inflation eliminates unpredictable or unstable goods from the set of commodities used to monitor headline inflation.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only one
- B. Only two
- C. All three
- D. None

131. Regarding the National Statistical Office (NSO), consider the following statements:

1. The National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) and the Central Statistics Office (CSO) have been merged to form the National Statistical Office (NSO).
2. It would be headed by the Secretary of the Statistics and Programme Implementation.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

132. Consider the following statements:

1. The Wholesale Price Index measures the changes in the prices of goods sold and traded in bulk by wholesale businesses to other businesses.
2. It is published by the Central Statistics Office (CSO).
3. The base year of All-India WPI has been revised from 2004-05 to 2011-12 in 2017.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

133. Al Najah, Eastern Bridge, and Naseem Al Bahr are the joint exercises conducted between which of the following pair of countries:

- A. India-Oman
- B. India- Saudia Arabia
- C. India-Qatar
- D. Saudia Arabia-Oman

134. Regarding India-Oman Relation, consider the following statements:

1. Oman is at the gateway of the Strait of Hormuz through which India imports one-fifth of its oil imports.
2. Oman is the only country in the Gulf region with which all three services of the Indian armed forces conduct regular bilateral exercises.

3. The Joint Military Cooperation Committee (JMCC) is the highest forum of engagement between India and Oman in the field of defence.

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

135. Regarding the Suspension of a Member of Parliament, consider the following statements:

1. Article 78 of the Indian Constitution allows the Speaker of Lok Sabha to instruct a Member to promptly leave the House if their conduct is deemed severely disorderly.
2. The Chairman of Rajya Sabha is empowered under Article 80 to "direct any Member whose conduct is in his opinion grossly disorderly to withdraw immediately".
3. The final decision regarding the expulsion of the member is taken by the President.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

136. Regarding India-Maldives relations, consider the following statements:

1. Under Operation Cactus India supplied drinking water to Maldives to deal with the drinking water crisis.
2. Under Operation Sanjeevani the Indian Armed Forces have helped the government of Maldives in the neutralization of the coup attempt.
3. Under Operation Sankalp India supplied essential medicines to Maldives, as assistance in the fight against COVID-19.

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

137. Regarding the transplantation of organs in India, consider the following statements:

1. The 1994 Transplantation of Human Organs Act, oversees the therapeutic use of human organs and prevents commercial trafficking in such organs.
2. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare abolished state-specific domicile conditions for organ recipients, adopting a 'One Nation, One Policy' approach.
3. Only people aged below 50 years are eligible for organ transplantation.

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

138. Regarding the India-Middle East-Europe Economic (IMEC) Corridor, consider the following statements:

1. It will consist of Railroad, Ship-to-Rail networks, and Road transport routes extending across two corridors - East and North.
2. Its 8 signatories are India, the US, Saudi Arabia, UAE, the EU, Italy, France, 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

139. Consider the following statements:

1. He was known as the Socrates of Maharashtra.
2. He was one of the founder of National Social Conference.
3. He founded the Poona Sawarjanik Sabha.

The above given statements are true about which of the following:

- A. Mahadev Govind Ranade
- B. Bankim Chandra Chatterjee
- C. Gopal Krishna Gokhale
- D. Lala Lajpat Rai

140. Regarding the Black Sea, consider the following statements:

1. The countries Bordering Black Sea include Ukraine, Russia, Georgia, Turkey, Bulgaria and Moldova.
2. It is also known as the Euxine 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

141. With reference to Bletchley Park Declaration, consider the following statements:

1. It is the declaration signed at the first-ever AI Safety Summit held in England.
2. This declaration aims to unite and strategize on handling the risks and benefits of advanced AI, called frontier AI.
3. The developing countries including India refused to sign the declaration.

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

142. With reference to National Green Tribunal, consider the following statements:

1. The Tribunal holds authority over any civil cases that pertain to a significant issue concerning the environment.
2. Any Individual pursuing compensation for environmental harm under the legislations listed in Schedule I of the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010 can approach the Tribunal.
3. The tribunal's rulings are of an advisory nature and lack binding force.

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

143. With reference to Delimitation Commission, consider the following statements:

1. The Commission is appointed by the President of India every five years.
2. It comprises a retired judge of the Supreme Court or a high court, the Chief Election Commissioner and the State Election Commissioner.
3. The directives issued by the Commission are conclusive, carry the full weight of legal authority, and are not subject to challenge in any court.

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

144. With reference to Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, consider the following statements:

1. It acknowledges and grants forest rights to Forest Dwelling Scheduled Tribes (FDST) and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (OTFD) with long-standing occupation in these lands.
2. The Gram Sabha is the authority to initiate the process for determining the nature and extent of Individual Forest Rights (IFR) or Community Forest Rights (CFR).

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

145. Regarding Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Act, 1971, consider the following statements:

1. Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Act, 1971 is based on the recommendation of Shantilal Shah Committee.
2. The 2021 amendment to MTP Act permits abortion from 20 to 24 weeks of gestation for specific cases like rape survivors, with approval from two doctors.

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

146. With reference to Red Sea, consider the following statements:

1. The Red sea shares border with Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Sudan, Eritrea, and Somalia.
2. It is connected to the Indian ocean in the south through the strait of Bab el Mandeb and the Gulf of Aden.
3. It occupies a part of Great Rift Valley.

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

147. Regarding the Open Credit Enablement Network (OCEN), consider the following statements:

1. It is a decentralised open credit network which codifies the flow of credit between borrowers, lenders, and credit distributors under a common set of standards.
2. It is a part of the larger framework of open APIs known as India Stack.
3. OCEN was launched at the recently concluded G20 Summit in New Delhi.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. Only Three
- D. None

148. Consider the following statements:

1. The Constitution does not contain any specific procedure for the selection and appointment of the Chief Minister.
2. According to the Constitution, the Chief Minister may be a member of any of the two Houses of a state legislature.
3. The constitution requires that a person must prove his majority in the legislative assembly before he is appointed as the Chief Minister

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

149. Regarding the Governor's power, consider the following statements:

1. He can promulgate ordinances when the state legislature is not in session.
2. The state legislature must approve these ordinances within twelve weeks of their reassembly.
3. He can't withdraw the ordinance, as this power lies only with the state legislature.

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

150. Regarding the Fifth Schedule, consider the following statements:

1. There are seven states under Schedule five.
2. Article 244 (1) applies the Fifth Schedule provisions to Scheduled Areas in states other than Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura, and Mizoram.

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

151. Consider the following pairs:

Tribal Revolt

Place

- | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Tamar Revolt | (a) Chotanagpur Region |
| 2. Bhil Uprising | (b) Maharashtra and Gujarat |
| 3. Pathalgadi Movement | (c) Jharkhand |

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

152. Regarding the Panchayat Extension to Scheduled Areas (PESA) Act, consider the following statements:

1. It was enacted in 1996 "to provide for the extension of the provisions of Part IX of the Constitution relating to the Panchayats to the Scheduled Areas".
2. It empowers gram sabhas to play a key role in approving development plans and controlling all social sectors including management of Minor forest produce.

3. It recognizes the right of tribal communities, who are residents of the Scheduled Areas, to govern themselves through their own systems of self-government.

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

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

153. Consider the following statements:

1. As a Chancellor, the Governor acts independently of the Council of Ministers and takes his own decisions on all University matters.
2. Under the Central Universities Act, 2009, the Prime Minister of India shall be the Visitor of a central university.
3. The Punchhi Commission cautioned against overloading Governors with controversial powers to avoid public criticism, advising against granting them statutory authority.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

154. Regarding the Anti-Defection Law, consider the following statements:

1. The Tenth Schedule - popularly known as the Anti-Defection Act - was included in the Constitution via the 52nd Amendment Act, 1985.
2. As per the 91st Constitutional Amendment Act, 2003, at least one-third of the members of a party must be in favour of a "merger" for it to have validity in the eyes of the law.
3. The decision on questions as to disqualification on the ground of defection is referred to the Chairman or the Speaker of such House, which is not subject to 'Judicial review'.

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

155. Regarding the Comptroller and Auditor General(CAG), consider the following statements:

1. Article 148 of the Constitution grants the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) the legal standing equivalent to that of a Supreme Court judge.
2. The CAG expenses are charged under the Public Accounts of India.
3. The Parliament ensures the executive's accountability in financial administration through the audit reports conducted by the CAG.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

156. Regarding the Gulf Cooperation Council, consider the following statements:

1. GCC is a union of six countries in the Gulf region namely Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Qatar, Kuwait, Oman, and Iraq.
2. The council is the largest trading bloc 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

157. Regarding the Indian Ocean Rim Association(IORA), consider the following statements:

1. The vision for IORA originated during a visit by the late President Nelson Mandela of South Africa to India in 1995.
2. Both India and China are the members of the organization.
3. The Regional Centre for Science and Technology Transfer (RCSTT) based in Tehran is one of its specialized agencies.

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

158. Regarding the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission, consider the following statement:

1. It aims to provide digital health IDs for all Indian citizens to help hospitals, insurance firms, and citizens access health records electronically when required.
2. The National Health Authority (NHA) under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare will be the implementing Agency.
3. To maintain the quality of the program every individual will be charged a designated price for the health ID.

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

159. Consider the following statements:

1. Communication surveillance in India occurs primarily under the Telegraph Act, 1885 and the Information Technology Act, 2000.
2. The Telegraph Act was enacted to deal with surveillance of all electronic communication while the IT Act deals with the interception of calls.

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

160. Consider the following passage:

It is the only perennial river in Tamil Nadu. It originates in the Pothigai Hills of the Western Ghats in Tirunelveli district. The river flows through Tirunelveli and then neighbouring Thoothukudi and ends in the Gulf of Mannar at Punakayil. It thus originates and ends in the same state.

The river supports wildlife such as the Nilgiri marten, slender loris, lion-tailed macaque, white spotted bush frog, galaxy frog, Sri Lankan Atlas moth and the great hornbill,"

Besides the ecosystem services it provides, the river also has historical value for the people of the state. It is mentioned extensively in Sangam Era literature.

Which river is talked about in the above passage?

- A. Thamirabarani
- B. Tapi
- C. Godavari
- D. Krishna

161. Consider the following statements:

1. NCDs, also known as chronic diseases, tend to be of short duration and are the result of a combination of genetic, physiological, environmental, and behavioral factors.
2. The National Programme for Prevention & Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NP-NCD) is being implemented under the National Health Mission (NHM).
3. Jan Aushadhi stores are set up by the Department of Pharmaceuticals to provide generic medicines at affordable prices.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. Only Three
- D. None

162. Regarding the National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd.(NAFED), consider the following statements:

1. It was established under the Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act.

2. NAFED was set up with the object to promote Cooperative marketing of agricultural produce to benefit the farmers.
3. Agricultural farmers are the main members of NAFED, who have the authority to say in the form of members of the General Body in the working of NAFED.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

163. Regarding the National Cooperative Consumers' Federation of India Limited, consider the following statements:

- A. It is an apex organization for the Consumer Cooperatives.
- B. It works under the aegis of Ministry of Cooperation.
- C. It is registered under the Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act, 2002.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

164. Regarding the No-confidence motion, consider the following statements:

1. It can be moved either in the Lok Sabha or the Rajya Sabha to test the confidence of the government.
2. It needs the support of at least 100 members to be admitted.
3. If it is passed, the government must resign.

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

165. Regarding the European Union, consider the following statements:

1. European Union is a group of 27 countries that operate as a cohesive economic and political block.
2. EURO is the official currency of all the members of the block.

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

166. Ramamurti Committee is related to which of the following Fundamental Rights?

- A. Right to Clean Environment
- B. Right to Freedom of Movement
- C. Right against Exploitation
- D. Right to Education

167. Regarding the IRDAI (Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India), consider the following statements:

1. It is a regulatory body created to protect the interests of insurance customers.
2. It is a statutory body under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs.

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

168. Regarding the 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue, consider the following statements:

1. It signifies the participation of two high-level representatives, Ministers holding Foreign and Defence portfolios.
2. India has a 2+2 Mechanism only with the United States and Russia.

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

169. Travel & Tourism Development Index is released by which of the following?

- A. World Economic Forum
- B. World Bank
- C. Ministry of Culture
- D. World Tourism Organisation

170. Regarding the World Economic Forum, consider the following statements:

1. It is a specialized United Nations Agency established in 1971.
2. It is committed to improving the state of the world by engaging business, political, academic, and other leaders of society to shape global, regional, and industry agendas.

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

171. Regarding the Anemia Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan (AMBA), consider the following statements:

1. It was launched as part of the Intensified National Iron Plus Initiative (NIPI) Program to accelerate the annual rate of decline of anaemia.
2. AMBA is based on a life cycle approach, providing preventive and curative mechanisms through a 6X6X6 strategy.

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

172. Regarding the Commercial Paper consider the following statements:

1. It is a long-term debt instrument issued by corporations to raise funds.
2. The maturity of commercial paper is typically more than 365 days.

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

173. Regarding the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) consider the following statements:

1. It is a Statutory Body established under the provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992.
2. It replaced the Controller of Capital Issues.
3. Recently it launched SaaRthi – a mobile app for investor education.

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

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

174. Regarding Alternative Investment Fund (AIF) consider the following statements:

1. AIF in India is a private investment fund that pools funds from sophisticated investors, both domestic and foreign and invests based on a defined policy for investor gain.
2. A debt fund is an AIF that invests primarily in debt or debt securities of listed or unlisted investee companies according to the Fund's stated objectives.
3. An AIF under the SEBI (Alternative Investment Funds) Regulations, 2012 can be established only in the form of trust.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

175. Consider the following statements regarding the Current Account:

1. The current Account shows the export and import of visible i.e. Merchandise and invisible i.e. Non-Merchandise.
2. It gives a summary of the net flow of both private and public investment into an economy.
3. External Commercial Borrowing (ECB), Foreign Direct Investment, Foreign Portfolio Investment, etc form part of it.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

176. Consider the following statements:

1. Gresham's law is a monetary principle that states that good money drives out bad.
2. Thiers' Law highlights a phenomenon where bad money drives out good.
3. The purpose of a fixed exchange rate system is to keep a currency's value within a narrow band.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

177. Regarding the Vice President of India, consider the following statements:

1. He is the ex-officio Chairperson of the Council of States and does not hold any other office of profit.
2. He may resign his office by submitting his resignation to the Deputy Speaker of Rajya Sabha following a process similar to that of the Lok Sabha.
3. He can be removed from office by a resolution of the Rajya Sabha passed by a majority of its members at that time.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

178. Regarding the Strait of Malacca, consider the following statements:

1. It connects the Andaman Sea and the South China Sea.
2. It runs between the Indonesian island of Sumatra to the west and peninsular (West) Malaysia and extreme southern Thailand to the east.
3. It is the longest sea route between the Middle East and East Asia.

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

179. Regarding the All India Judicial Services, consider the following statements:

1. The concept of AIJS originated from Law Commission reports in 1958 and 1978.
2. Article 312 of the Constitution provides for the establishment of AIJS, similar to central civil services.
3. The current system involves granting states the authority over the appointment of district judges, managed through State Public Service Commissions and High Courts.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

180. Consider the following statements:

1. Genome sequencing is figuring out the order of RNA nucleotides, or bases, in a genome.
2. The Human Genome Project was a CSIR (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research) plans to undertake genome sequencing of a sample of nearly 1000 Indian rural youth.

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

181. Regarding the Special Leave Petition (SLP), consider the following statements:

1. The constitution of India under Article 136 vests the Supreme Court with a special power to grant special leave to appeal against any judgment made by any court/tribunal.
2. Any aggrieved party can file SLP against the judgment or order of refusal of grant of certificate.
3. SLP can be filed against any judgment of the High Court within 90 days from the day of judgment.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

182. Regarding the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), consider the following statements:

1. It functions under the superintendence of the Department of Personnel, Ministry of Personnel, Pension & Public Grievances which falls under the prime minister's office.
2. For investigations of offenses under the Prevention of Corruption Act, its superintendence vests with the office of Lokayukta in the state.
3. It is also the nodal police agency in India which coordinates investigations on behalf of Interpol Member countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

183. Regarding the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) (MMDR) Act, 1957, consider the following statements:

1. It regulates the mining sector in India and specifies the requirement for obtaining and granting mining leases for mining operations.
2. It has been amended only once since its enactment.
3. The 2015 amendment created a District Mineral Foundation (DMF) for the welfare of affected communities.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

184. Regarding the Prevention of Money-Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002, consider the following statements:

1. It is a criminal law enacted to prevent money laundering and to provide for confiscation of property derived from, or involved in, money laundering and related matters.
2. The provisions of this act apply to all financial institutions, banks, mutual funds, insurance companies, and their financial intermediaries excluding the Reserve Bank 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

185. A committee chaired by NR Sarkar was appointed by “the Hon’ble Member of the Viceroy’s Executive Council, Department of Education, Health and Agriculture” in 1940’s. This committee was related to:

- A. Poverty Alleviation
- B. Setting up of IITs
- C. Census
- D. Bank Reforms

186. Regarding the Gulf of Eden, consider the following statements:

- 1. It is an arm of the Indian Ocean situated between Yemen on the south coast of the Arabian Peninsula and Somalia in Africa.
- 2. It is bounded to the south by Somalia and the Socotra Islands, north by Yemen, east by the Arabian Sea, and west by Djibouti
- 3. It connects the Black Sea to the Arabian Sea via the Strait of Bab el Mandeb.

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

187. Regarding the Mediterranean Sea, consider the following statements:

- 1. The only four countries it is surrounded by are Albania, Algeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- 2. It is connected to the Atlantic Ocean through the Strait of Gibraltar in the west.
- 3. Nile River (Africa) drains into the Mediterranean Sea.

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

188. Regarding India-United States Relations, consider the following statements:

- 1. India and the US have three foundational defense agreements.
- 2. The Basic Exchange and Cooperation Agreement largely pertains to geospatial intelligence, and sharing information on maps and satellite images for defense.
- 3. With the Communications Compatibility and Security Agreement (COMCASA), Indian armed forces will get to fully exploit the capability of the military platforms procured from the US.

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

189. Regarding the Telecommunications Bill 2023, consider the following statements:

- 1. It seeks to repeal the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885.
- 2. Existing licences will continue to be valid for the period of their grant, or for five years, where the period is not specified.
- 3. The Bill introduces provisions for allocating spectrum to satellite Internet providers like OneWeb.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

190. Regarding Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF), consider the following statements:

- A. It ensures that there is universal non-discriminatory access to quality ICT (Information and Communications Technology) services at economically efficient prices to people in rural and remote areas.
- B. It is a non-lapsable fund, i.e., the unspent amount under a targeted financial year does not lapse and is accrued for next year’s spending.
- C. It has been renamed as Digital Bharat Nidhi in the Telecommunication Bill, 2023.

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

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. Only Three
- D. None

191. Regarding the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, consider the following statements:

- 1. It was established under the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Act, 1997.
- 2. It consists of a chairperson and not more than two whole-time Members and not more than two part-time Members.
- 3. The recommendations of the TRAI are binding upon the Central Government.

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

192. Regarding the Sahitya Academy Awards, consider the following statements:

- 1. Established in 1954, it is a literary honour that is conferred annually by Sahitya Akademi, India’s National Academy of Letters.
- 2. The awards are conferred to authors of Indian Nationality only.
- 3. It is the highest literary honour by the Government of India.

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

193. Regarding the Artemis Accords, consider the following statements:

1. Artemis Accords was established by the US State Department and NASA with seven other founding members.
2. India is one of the founding members of it.
3. It builds upon the foundation of the Outer Space Treaty of 1967.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

194. Regarding the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) (PoSH) Act, 2013. consider the following statements:

1. It is a narrow law as it defines sexual harassment to include unwelcome acts such as physical contact only.
2. It was enacted against the backdrop of 'Vishakha guidelines'.
3. Under the act, Employers are required to constitute an Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) at each workplace with 10 or more employees to receive and address complaints of sexual harassment.

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

195. Regarding the CEC and Other ECs (Appointment, Conditions of Service, and Term of Office) Bill, 2023, consider the following statements:

1. The Bill replaces the Election Commission (Conditions of Service of Election Commissioners and Transaction of Business) Act, 1991.
2. It is in line with the direction from the Supreme Court of India in the D.K. Basu Case.
3. The Selection Committee under this act will consist of the PM, the Chief Justice of India, and the Leader of Opposition/leader of the largest opposition party in Lok Sabha.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

196. Consider the following statements:

1. Recently, India won the Vice President's position on the Executive Board of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).
2. India is part of the 12-member Asia-Pacific group of UNESCO.
3. The Ministry of Culture is the Nodal Ministry for cooperation with the activities of UNESCO.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

197. Recently the term 'Regulatory Sandbox' was in the news. It refers to:

- A. Special regulatory norms for Startups
- B. A US-based regulatory mechanism for Artificial Intelligence
- C. Global Framework for Space Regulation
- D. Live testing of new products or services in a controlled/test regulatory environment

198. Global Climate Risk Index, is released/submitted by which of the following?

- A. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
- B. Centre for Science and Environment (CSE)
- C. International environmental think tank 'Germanwatch'
- D. World Bank

199. Regarding the Colombo Security Conclave (CSC), consider the following statements:

1. It is a trilateral maritime security grouping of India, Sri Lanka, and the Maldives formed in 2011.
2. Recently, Mauritius, Bangladesh & Seychelles have also joined the grouping as full members.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

200. Consider the following pairs:

Port	Country
1. Ream	(a) Cambodia
2. Bata	(b) Equatorial Guinea
3. Kribi	(c) Cameroon

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

201. Regarding the Foreign exchange reserves, consider the following statements:

1. Foreign exchange reserves are assets held on reserve by a central bank in foreign currencies, which can include bonds, treasury bills, and other government securities.
2. Due to high domestic demand for gold, India's Forex Reserve does not include gold.
3. India being a developing country is yet to achieve the feat of achieving USD500 trillion foreign exchange reserves.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

202. Consider the following statements:

1. In India, the majority of the fiscal deficit is financed through external market borrowings.
2. The states are free to maintain a fiscal deficit of 3.5% of their Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) with 0.5% tied to power sector reforms.

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

203. Consider the following statements:

1. The first session of the Indian Science Congress was held in 2014.
2. Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA) is an independent body functioning with the support of the Department of Science and Technology (DST).

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

204. Regarding India-France relations, consider the following statements:

1. France was one of the very few countries to support India's decision to test nuclear weapons in 1998.
2. In 2015, as a collaborative effort to address climate change, both nations initiated the International Solar Alliance.

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

205. Consider the following pairs:

Place	Country
1. Auschwitz	(a) Poland
2. Lysychansk	(b) Russia
3. Belgorod	(c) Ukraine

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

206. Regarding the Rule of Law, consider the following statements:

1. The rule of law is a part of the basic structure of the Constitution.
2. The rule of law is a government run by law, not men.
3. Rule by law is the antithesis of all that is represented by the rule of law.

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

207. Consider the following statements:

1. All jobs are wage labour.
2. All wage labour cannot be called jobs.
3. The Indian economy has historically been characterized by the presence of both open unemployment as well as disguised unemployment.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

208. Regarding the initiative on Critical and Emerging Technology (iCET), consider the following statements:

1. It is a bilateral agreement between India and the United States and is being run by the National Security Council of both countries.
2. It aims to promote collaboration in critical and emerging technology areas, including AI, quantum computing, semiconductors, and wireless telecommunication.

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

209. Regarding the Social Impact Fund, consider the following statements:

1. It will offer financial support to provide upstream technical and non-technical assistance to countries in developing DPI systems.
2. It offers a platform for all relevant stakeholders, including other governments, international organizations, and philanthropic entities, to contribute to this fund.
3. India has pledged an initial commitment of \$25 million to it.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

210. Recently, a 50 in 5 campaign was in the news. It is best described as:

- A. It is a country-led advocacy campaign that aims to help 50 countries design, launch, and scale digital public infrastructure (DPI) components by 2028.
- B. It is the Uttar Pradesh government's initiative to boost start-ups.
- C. It is a collaboration between NITI Aayog and the Ministry of Education to develop the school of excellence.
- D. It is a World Bank-funded mechanism to help least developed countries in their fight against climate change.

211. Consider the following statements:

1. India Stack is the moniker for a set of open APIs and digital public goods that aim to unlock the economic primitives of identity, data, and payments at a population scale.
2. As the name suggests, the vision of India Stack is only limited to India.
3. The Reserve Bank of India recently introduced Pix, an instant payment system as an alternative to UPI.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

212. Regarding the Bank for International Settlements(BIS), consider the following statements:

1. It was established after World War II.
2. It is owned and controlled by the World Bank.
3. Its head office is in Basel, Switzerland.

Which of the statement/s given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1,2 and 3

213. Consider the following statements:

1. Golden Crescent refers to the area adjoining Vietnam, Thailand, Laos and Myanmar.
2. Golden Triangle refers to the area adjoining Afghanistan, Iran, and Pakistan.
3. Golden Triangle and Golden Crescent are hotbeds of illicit drug trafficking.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1,2 and 3

214. Regarding Cape of Good Hope consider the following statements:

1. It was originally named the Cape of Storms in 1488 by the Portuguese explorer Bartolomeu Dias.
2. The Cape of Good Hope route joins Eastern Asia and Europe to southern parts of Africa.
3. The Cape of Good Hope route is 8900 km longer than the Suez Canal route and can take an additional two weeks.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

215. Regarding the Operation Prosperity Guardian, consider the following statements:

1. It is a joint military exercise in the Indian Ocean region to deal with the Chinese threat.
2. India being the net security provider in the region, is also part of this exercise.

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

216. The Supreme Court issued seven directives to drive police reforms in India, acknowledging widespread issues such as politicization, lack of accountability, and systemic weaknesses impacting overall police performance. In which case the Supreme Court issued these directives?

- A. Prakash Singh v. Union of India case, 2006
- B. D.K.Basu Vs State of West Bengal, 1997
- C. AK Gopalan vs State of Madras,1950
- D. Bachan Singh vs State Of Punjab, 1980

217. Regarding the AUKUS grouping, consider the following statements:

1. It is a trilateral security partnership for the Indo-Pacific, between Australia, the UK, and the US (AUKUS) which was signed in 2021.
2. It involves a new architecture of meetings and engagements between the three countries, as well as cooperation across emerging technologies.
3. Recently, India has been inducted into this grouping as the fourth member.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

218. Regarding the Suez Canal, consider the following statements:

1. The Suez Canal is an artificial sea-level waterway running north to south across the Isthmus of Suez in Egypt, to connect the Mediterranean Sea and the Caspian sea.
2. It provides the shortest maritime route between Europe and the lands lying around the Indian and western Pacific oceans.
3. The canal separates the African continent from Asia.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

219. Consider the following statements:

1. The procedure for raising questions in the Parliament is governed by Article 72 of the Indian Constitution.
2. A starred question is asked by an MP and is to be answered in writing mandatorily.
3. An unstarred question is to be answered orally and supplementary questions can follow.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

220. Consider the following statement about a suspended member of parliament:

1. They can enter galleries, lobbies, and chambers of the parliament.
2. They can continue to attend committee meetings they are part of.
3. Their daily allowance is withheld for the duration of the suspension.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

221. Regarding the Raisina Dialogue, consider the following statements:

1. The conference is hosted by the Observer Research Foundation in partnership with the Ministry of External Affairs.
2. The Dialogue comprises a diverse discussion with heads of state, ministers, local officials, and thought leaders from the private sector, media, and academia.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 and 2

222. Regarding the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI), consider the following statements:

1. It is India's first major global initiative launched in 2019, at the United Nations Climate Action Summit in New York.
2. Its Secretariat is based in New Delhi, India.
3. It aims to increase the resilience of infrastructure systems to climate and disaster risks, thereby ensuring sustainable development.

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

223. Regarding LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment), consider the following statements:

1. It was launched at the 2023 G20 Summit by the Prime Minister of India to bring individual behaviors to the forefront of the global climate action narrative.
2. LiFE envisions replacing the prevalent 'use-and-dispose' economy—governed by mindless and destructive consumption—with a circular economy.

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

224. Regarding the Press and Registration of Periodicals Bill, 2023, consider the following statements:

1. It replaced the Press and Registration of Books Act, 1867, which governed the registration of the print and publishing industry in the country.

2. The new Bill substantially decriminalizes all violations under the old 1867 Act.
3. The exact reproduction of a foreign periodical may be printed in India only with the prior approval of the central government.

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

225. Regarding the Logistics Exchange Memorandum Of Agreement (LEMOA), consider the following statements:

1. LEMOA is a pact outlining fundamental terms, conditions, and procedures for mutual logistic support, supplies, and services between the armed forces of India and the United States.
2. The Agreement creates an obligation on either Party to carry out any joint activity.
3. It provides for the establishment of military bases or basing arrangements.

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

226. Regarding the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC), consider the following statements:

1. It was established with the signing of the SAARC Charter in Dhaka in the year 1985.
2. South Asian University (SAU) is an international university, located in Dhaka.
3. SAARC Arbitration Council is an inter-governmental body having its office in Pakistan mandated to provide a legal framework/forum within the region.

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

227. Consider the following statements:

1. The summoning of Parliament is governed by Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business.
2. The decision to convene a session of Parliament is taken by the Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs which is formalized by the President.
3. As per the constitutional provisions, India has a fixed parliamentary calendar.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

228. Regarding the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), consider the following statements:

1. ASI, under the Ministry of Culture, is the premier organization for the archaeological research and protection of the cultural heritage of the nation.
2. It was founded in 1861 by Lord Erwin who was also the first Director-General of ASI.

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

229. Regarding the Biological Weapons Convention, consider the following statements:

1. It effectively prohibits the development, production, acquisition, transfer, stockpiling, and use of biological and toxin weapons.
2. It was the first multilateral disarmament treaty banning an entire category of weapons of mass destruction (WMD).
3. The Convention has reached almost universal membership with 185 States Parties and four Signatory States.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

230. World Happiness Report 2023 is released by which of the following?

- A. World Bank
- B. Sustainable Development Solutions Network
- C. World Health Organisation
- D. United Nations Development Fund

231. Regarding Pir Panjal Range, consider the following statements:

1. It is a chain of mountains in the Lower Himalayan region.
2. It is the largest range of the Lesser Himalayas.
3. It separates the Kashmir Valley from the hills of the Jammu region.

How many of the statements above is/are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

232. Consider the following pairs:

Place	Country
1. Jubail Port	(a) United Arab Emirates
2. Dien Bieu Phu Airbase	(b) Vietnam
3. Ho Chi Minh City	(c) Nicaragua

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

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

233. Technology like Jamming, spoofing, laser systems, and high-powered microwave weapons were recently in the news in the context of:

- A. Preventing pest attacks in agricultural fields
- B. In the Nuclear power plant
- C. To prevent drone attack in the sea
- D. To detect activities of human beings in the tunnel

234. Regarding the Combined Maritime Forces (CMF), consider the following statements:

- 1. It is a multinational maritime partnership to uphold the Rules-Based International Order (RBIO) by countering illicit non-state actors on the high seas.
- 2. CMF is Commanded by an Indian Navy Vice Admiral.

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

235. Regarding the Production Linked Incentive Scheme (PLI), consider the following:

- 1. It offers a production-linked incentive to boost domestic manufacturing and attract large investments in mobile phone manufacturing and specified electronic components.
- 2. The Scheme is implemented through a Nodal Agency which acts as a Project Management Agency (PMA).
- 3. It will drastically increase India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

236. Consider the following statement:

- 1. White phosphorus is an incendiary substance mostly used to create a dense smoke screen or mark targets.
- 2. Agent Orange is a Russian spy recently held by Ukraine.

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

237. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Panama Canal is an artificial water passage linking the Atlantic and Pacific oceans through the Isthmus of Panama.
- 2. The Suez Canal is an artificial sea-level waterway running north to south across the Isthmus of Suez in Egypt, to connect the Mediterranean Sea and the Red Sea.
- 3. The Aden Ridge lies along the middle of the Gulf of Aden.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2, 3

238. Regarding the Loss and Damage Fund, consider the following statements:

- 1. The loss and damage fund is a global financial package to ensure the rescue and rehabilitation of countries facing the cascading effects of climate change.
- 2. The World Bank will oversee the loss and damage fund in the beginning, with the source of funds being rich nations, such as the US, the UK, and the EU.

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

239. Global Innovation Index 2023 is released by which of the following?

- A. World Bank
- B. International Monetary Fund
- C. World Economic Forum
- D. World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

240. It has become the goal of public policy in many countries. Since its inception in 2012, this matrix has devised a robust method to measure and calculate it. This matrix includes six variables: GDP per capita; healthy life expectancy at birth; generosity; social support; freedom to make life choices, and perception of corruption. Which matrix is talked about in the above passage?

- A. World Happiness Report
- B. Global Innovation Index
- C. Social Development Index
- D. Green Index

241. Which of the following best describes 'Wolf Warrior Diplomacy' often seen in the news:
- Historic deal between India and Kenya for transfer of wolves from India to Kenya
 - Unofficial term for the more aggressive and confrontational style of communication that Chinese diplomats have taken
 - It connotes the use of cyber warfare to derail diplomatic relations between the two nations
 - It refers to manipulating the share market of the enemy country

242. Consider the following statements regarding Cyclones:
- Cyclones in the Bay of Bengal (BOB) are relatively more frequent and intense than those of the Arabian Sea.
 - Bay of Bengal typically sees multiple cyclonic events during the tropical cyclone season, which is primarily from April to December.
 - BOB typically has elevated sea surface temperatures, particularly in the pre-monsoon and post-monsoon periods, fueling cyclone development and strengthening.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- Only One
- Only Two
- All Three
- None

243. Regarding the Jal Jeevan Mission, consider the following statements:

- The goal of this mission is to provide 55 liters of water per person per day to every rural household through Functional Household Tap Connections (FHTC) by 2024.
- The mission allows for tapping into only groundwater which is the lacunae of this mission.
- It comes under the Ministry of Jal Shakti.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- Only One
- Only Two
- All Three
- None

244. Consider the following regarding National Food Security Act, (NFSA) 2013:

- The Act legally entitled upto 75% of the rural population and 50% of the urban population to receive subsidized food grains under Targeted Public Distribution System.
- The eldest woman of the household of age 18 years or above is mandated to be the head of the household for the purpose of issuing ration cards under the Act.
- It marks a paradigm shift in the approach to food security from welfare to rights based approach.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- Only One
- Only Two
- All Three
- None

245. Regarding the Swachh Sagar Surakshit Sagar campaign consider the following statements:

- It is the first-of-its-kind and longest running coastal cleanup campaign in the world with the highest number of people participating in it.
- A mobile app "Umang" has been launched to spread awareness about the campaign

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 Only
- 2 Only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

246. Recently MV Chemo Pluto and MV Sai Baba were seen in the news. They are:

- Satellites launched by ISRO for Sri Lanka
- Indigenously developed rice variety by India
- Oil tankers attacked by Drones
- Aircrafts Russia gifted to India

247. Which of the following case recognized the right to internet access as a fundamental right and laid down the principles of reasonableness and proportionality for any internet restriction:

- Anuradha Bhasin v. UOI
- Navtej Singh Johar v. Union of India
- D.K.Basu v. West Bengal
- Kesavananda Bharati v. State of Kerala

248. Regarding the Mediterranean Sea, consider the following statements:

- It lies between the continents of Eurasia and Africa enclosed almost completely by land.
- To the west, it is connected to the Atlantic Ocean through the Strait of Gibraltar.
- The Nile River (Africa) drains into the Mediterranean Sea.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

249. Regarding Qatar, consider the following statements:

- It shares a land border only with Saudi Arabia.
- Za'ir-Al-Bahr (Roar of the Sea) is a bilateral maritime exercise between India and Qatar.

3. Indian Cultural Centre (ICC) is an apex body of associations of the Indian community functioning under the aegis of the Embassy of India, Doha, and private sponsors.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only one
- B. Only two
- C. All three
- D. None

250. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The President of India cannot exercise his power of pardon independent of the government.
- 2. Under Article 72, the Governor in India too has pardoning powers.
- 3. The scope of the pardoning power of the President is wider than the pardoning power of the Governor.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

251. Regarding the Prime Minister's National Relief Fund (PMNRF), consider the following statements:

- 1. It was established in 1948 with public contributions to assist displaced persons from Pakistan.
- 2. Now, the resources of the PMNRF are utilised primarily to render immediate relief to families of those killed in natural calamities like floods, cyclones, etc.
- 3. The fund apart from public contributions also gets annual budgetary support.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

252. Regarding the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP), consider the following statements:

- 1. It is a free trade agreement between 11 countries in the Asia-Pacific region.
- 2. All 11 countries of CPTPP are also members of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC).
- 3. India did not join CPTPP as it seeks to place greater labour and environmental standards on its other partners.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None

253. Regarding the PM-KISAN Scheme, consider the following statements:

- 1. It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme with the centre and state contributing 50% share each.
- 2. Under the scheme an income support of 6,000/- per year in three equal instalments is provided to only small and marginal farmers as per Census 2011.

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

254. Recently Alpha Zero and Stock Fish were seen in the news. They are related to:

- A. Satellite launched by NASA
- B. Fish species recently discovered in the Andaman Islands
- C. Missile launched by Houthis in the Red Sea
- D. Two of the most powerful chess engines ever created

255. Consider the following statements regarding Initiatives related to Artificial Intelligence:

- 1. India is the lead chair of the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence (GPAI) Summit (GPAI) in 2024.
- 2. Global Digital Public Infrastructure Repository (GDPIR) was established under the Ministry of External Affairs to share digital public goods.
- 3. The AI Supercomputer 'AIRAWAT', installed at C-DAC, Pune has been ranked 1st in the world.

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

256. Regarding the Chief of Defence Staff, consider the following statements:

- 1. The post of CDS was created in 2019 on the recommendations of a committee of defence experts headed by Naresh Chandra.
- 2. He also heads the newly created Department of Military Affairs (DMA) in the Ministry of Defence.
- 3. He will also perform an advisory role in the Nuclear Command Authority (NCA).

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

Answers

1. (d)	2. (a)	3. (d)	4. (c)	5. (d)	6. (a)	7. (c)	8. (b)	9. (c)	10. (b)
11. (c)	12. (b)	13. (c)	14. (a)	15. (c)	16. (c)	17. (d)	18. (b)	19. (a)	20. (a)
21. (d)	22. (a)	23. (a)	24. (d)	25. (a)	26. (b)	27. (c)	28. (c)	29. (b)	30. (b)
31. (a)	32. (c)	33. (a)	34. (d)	35. (d)	36. (b)	37. (c)	38. (d)	39. (a)	40. (a)
41. (c)	42. (d)	43. (d)	44. (a)	45. (d)	46. (b)	47. (b)	48. (a)	49. (d)	50. (a)
51. (a)	52. (a)	53. (d)	54. (a)	55. (b)	56. (c)	57. (b)	58. (b)	59. (b)	60. (d)
61. (d)	62. (d)	63. (b)	64. (b)	65. (b)	66. (a)	67. (a)	68. (a)	69. (d)	70. (d)
71. (a)	72. (a)	73. (b)	74. (a)	75. (b)	76. (d)	77. (b)	78. (c)	79. (c)	80. (d)
81. (a)	82. (a)	83. (b)	84. (b)	85. (a)	86. (d)	87. (d)	88. (a)	89. (c)	90. (a)
91. (c)	92. (b)	93. (a)	94. (a)	95. (a)	96. (a)	97. (b)	98. (d)	99. (b)	100. (b)
101. (b)	102. (b)	103. (c)	104. (a)	105. (b)	106. (d)	107. (a)	108. (c)	109. (b)	110. (d)
111. (b)	112. (b)	113. (d)	114. (d)	115. (b)	116. (b)	117. (a)	118. (d)	119. (c)	120. (b)
121. (b)	122. (b)	123. (c)	124. (d)	125. (d)	126. (a)	127. (d)	128. (c)	129. (d)	130. (d)
131. (c)	132. (c)	133. (b)	134. (a)	135. (d)	136. (d)	137. (d)	138. (a)	139. (a)	140. (a)
141. (b)	142. (a)	143. (a)	144. (b)	145. (d)	146. (c)	147. (b)	148. (b)	149. (b)	150. (a)
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