



# **Monthly Editorial Quiz**

(Consolidation)

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1. Consider the following statements:

1. India seeks to expand its renewable energy's capacity to 500 GW by 2025.
2. India ranked third globally and is the second largest market in Asia for new solar photovoltaic capacity.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

2. Which of the following released the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) 2022?

- (a) Ministry of Education  
(b) NITI Aayog  
(c) NGO Pratham  
(d) None of the above

3. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE), 2020-2021:

1. It is an annual survey released by the Ministry of Education.
2. It recorded a rise in student enrollments across the country as compared to previous survey.

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

4. Consider the following statements regarding International Labour Organisation (ILO):

1. It is the only tripartite U.N. agency that promotes decent work for all through setting labor standards, developing policies, and implementing programs.
2. India is a non-permanent member of ILO governing body.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

5. Consider the following statements regarding Prime Minister Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) Scheme:

1. It was announced as part of the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan's Economic Stimulus-II
2. The scheme is fully funded by the Ministry of Labour & Employment.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

6. Consider the following statements:

1. In India, the primary indicators for measuring inflation are the WPI (Wholesale Price Index) and CPI (Consumer Price Index).
2. Core Inflation tracks overall inflation using a basket of goods, while Headline Inflation, excluding volatile goods, provides a stable measurement.

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

7. Export trends of 2022 indicated that India has been able to capitalise on 'China+1 Strategy' in some regions. Which of the following correctly describes the goal of 'China+1 Strategy'?

- (a) To diversify trade relationships away from China  
(b) To establish trade relationships with other countries in Asia  
(c) To establish trade relationships with countries in Europe  
(d) All the Above.

8. Which of the following statements are correct regarding the Labour Force Participation Rate as per Economic Survey 2022-23?

1. Labour markets rebounded from Covid-19 with a drop in unemployment rates in 2020-21 as compared to 2018-19.
2. An increase in Rural Female Labour Force Participation Rate has been recorded in 2020-21 as compared to 2018-19.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

9. Consider the following statements:

1. The Annual Financial Statement (AFS) of a year is referred to as the Union Budget according to Article 112 of the Indian Constitution.
2. The initial Budget of an Independent India was delivered in 1950.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

10. MISHTI Scheme was announced in the Union Budget 2023-24. Which of the following best describes the purpose of MISHTI Scheme?

- (a) To preserve mangrove forests for global climate context  
(b) To provide livelihood to local artisanal fishers  
(c) To aid in removal of carbon from the atmosphere  
(d) All of the above

11. Which of the following best describes the purpose of National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NBFID)?

- (a) To provide short-term finance to commercial banks and other ordinary financial institutions  
(b) To accept deposits from people  
(c) To provide long-term finance for segments of the economy where the risks involved are beyond the acceptable limits of commercial banks and other ordinary financial institutions  
(d) None of the above

12. Consider the following statements regarding Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 Initiative:

1. It is an Integrated Nutrition Support Programme implemented by the Ministry of Women and Child Development.
2. It includes the sub-schemes- Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) and POSHAN Abhiyaan, Scheme for Adolescent Girls (SAG) and National Creche Scheme.

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

13. Consider the following statements regarding National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP):

1. It is a welfare initiative aimed at benefiting both rural and urban areas and is being administered by the Ministry of Rural Development.
2. National Maternity Benefit Scheme (NMBS) is a component of NSAP.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

14. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding PM PRANAM Scheme?

1. It seeks to promote the balanced use of fertilizers along with biofertilisers and organic fertilisers.
2. It will be fully funded by the Ministry of Rural Development.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

15. The first "Gobar-Dhan (Bio-CNG) Plant" of the country has been inaugurated at which of the following places?

- (a) New Delhi (b) Indore  
(c) Mumbai (d) Jaipur

16. Consider the following statements regarding Special Economic Zone (SEZs) in India:

1. SEZs are currently operational in India under its Foreign Trade Policy under the Foreign Trade Development and Regulation Act 1992.
2. Dharia Committee submitted its recommendation regarding SEZ policy in India in 2018.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

17. Consider the following statements regarding Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP):

1. It is a trade deal involving ASEAN members and also some other countries which are having free trade agreements (FTAs) with ASEAN members.
2. India is not a part of this deal.
3. RCEP aims to lower or eliminate tariffs on goods and services and also includes provisions on labor and environmental standards.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

18. What best describes the main goal of Artificial Neural Network (ANN)?

- (a) To simulate the way the human brain processes information  
(b) To perform complex tasks like strategizing and predicting  
(c) To learn from experience and repeated tasks performed by its users  
(d) To provide facial recognition technology

19. Consider the following statements regarding Great One-Horned Rhino:

1. It is the only species of the rhino found in India.
2. It is the largest among all the 5 species of rhino found across the globe.
3. It has been classified as an endangered species as per the IUCN Red List.

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

20. Which of the following ministry launched the Deep Ocean Mission (DOM)?

- (a) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
(b) Ministry of Earth Sciences  
(c) Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying  
(d) None of the above

21. Which of the following statements are correct regarding Sixth Schedule under Article 244 of Indian Constitution?

1. It has special provisions for the management of tribal regions in the four northeastern states of Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura, and Manipur.
2. It provides for constituting the Autonomous District Councils (ADCs) having some legislative, judicial, and administrative autonomy within a state.
3. The acts of Parliament or the state legislature are not application to the tribal areas constituted as autonomous districts.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

22. Consider the following statements regarding Unnat Jyoti by Affordable LEDs for All (UJALA) Scheme:

1. It is a flagship initiative under Ministry of Power.
2. It has emerged into the world's largest zero subsidy domestic lighting programme.
3. Every household with a metered connection from their local electricity distribution company is eligible to get benefit under this scheme.

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 only

23. Consider the following statements:

1. The Indian Evidence Act 1872 provides for making the chargesheet as a publicly accessible document.
2. In Youth Bar Association of India vs Union of India case (2016), Supreme Court directed police stations to publish copies of chargesheets online within 24 hours of registration, except some sensitive cases.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

24. Consider the following statements regarding Live Streaming of Court Proceedings:

1. It is considered as a part of the Right to Access Justice under Article 21.
2. Punjab & Haryana High Court was the first to livestream its proceedings.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

25. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Lithium-Ion Battery?

1. It has a low-manufacturing cost but takes a long time to charge.
2. The lithium-ion batteries are inflammable in nature.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

26. Consider the following statements regarding Ladakh:

1. It is commonly referred to as "the Land of Passes".
2. It is among the highest and driest inhabited places of the planet.
3. It is one of the places in the globe which receives the highest levels of sunlight radiation.

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

27. The term "Saptarishi" was recently mentioned in the Union Budget 2023-24. Which of the following constitutes the Saptarishi priorities?

1. Inclusive Development
2. Infrastructure and Investment
3. Unleashing the Potential
4. Digital Growth
5. Financial Sector
6. Youth Power
7. Reaching the Last Mile

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

28. Consider the following statements:

1. 'Green Hydrogen' is a clean and renewable fuel produced through the electrolysis of water using renewable energy sources such as solar or wind power.
2. The hydrogen produced using coal is referred to as 'Brown or Black Hydrogen'.

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

29. Which of the following is a characteristic of a Rentier Economy?

- (a) High levels of inequality  
(b) A diversified economy with many sources of income  
(c) Dependence on productive activity  
(d) Low levels of unemployment

30. Consider the following statements regarding Just Energy Transition Partnership (JETP):

1. JETP is a financing model to assist emerging economies in ending coal consumption in a socially responsible way.
2. The first JETP was announced at the UNFCCC's COP 27 in Egypt.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

31. Consider the following statements regarding National Green Hydrogen Mission:

1. Strategic Interventions for Green Hydrogen Transition Programme (SIGHT) and Green Hydrogen Hubs are the sub-schemes of this mission.
2. Its nodal Ministry is Ministry of New and Renewable Energy.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

32. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE), 2020-21?

1. It is released by the Ministry of Education every three years.
2. An increase in Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) but decrease in female enrolment in higher education programmes was recorded in AISHE 2020-21 as compared to previous index.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

33. Consider the following statements regarding Finance Commission (FC):

1. It is a constitutional body that determines the distribution of tax proceeds between the Centre and States.

2. Article 280 provides for the constitution of FC by the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India every 5 years.

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

34. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act, 2003?

1. It limits the annual budget deficit of the Central government to 3% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP).
2. It ensures inter-generational equity in fiscal management and long-term macro-economic stability.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

35. Consider the following statements regarding Teesta River:

1. It is a tributary of the Brahmaputra that flows through India and Bangladesh.
2. It originates in Himalayas in Arunachal Pradesh, then flows through West Bengal before entering 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

36. Which of the following is responsible for the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)?

- (a) NITI Aayog
- (b) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- (c) Ministry of Labour and Employment
- (d) Ministry of Home Affairs

37. What defines best the scope of freedom of speech and expression under Article 19(1)(a) of the Indian Constitution?

- (a) It is absolute and can never be restricted.
- (b) It is subject to reasonable restrictions for the interests of the sovereignty and integrity of India.
- (c) It is subject to reasonable restrictions for the protection of public order and morality.
- (d) It is subject to reasonable restrictions for the protection of the interests of any particular individual or group.

38. Consider the following statements regarding Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), 2005:

1. Its nodal ministry is Ministry of Rural Development.
2. It allows for the self-selection of workers.
3. It mandates Gram sabhas to ensure that 90% of the works undertaken by them are executed.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

39. Which of the following are the factors affecting Foreign Exchange (Forex) Reserves of a country?

1. Trade balance
2. Borrowing and lending activities
3. Inflows and outflows of foreign investments
4. Employment rate

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

40. Consider the following statements regarding Fast-Moving Consumer Goods:

1. These include packed and unpacked goods that are consumed or sold at regular and small intervals.
2. These comprise the largest sector in Indian 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

41. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) 2022?

1. MPI 2022 was released by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI).
2. India has the largest population of poor people globally.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

42. Consider the following statements regarding Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR):

1. It is defined as number of maternal deaths per lakh live births during a given period of time.
2. As per Registrar General of India's Sample Registration System (SRS), Kerala and Assam have the lowest MMR 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

43. Consider the following statements regarding Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012:

1. Under the Act, a child is defined any person below 16 years of age.
2. It considers penetrative and non-penetrative assault, as well as sexual harassment and pornography as sexual abuse.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

44. Consider the following statements regarding International Monetary Fund (IMF):

1. It was set up to aid in rebuilding nations that have been devastated by first world war.
2. IMF and World Bank are together known as Bretton Woods twins.



3. Global Financial Stability Report and World Economic Outlook are released by IMF.

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

45. Consider the following statements regarding Election Commission of India (ECI):

1. It administers the elections of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha and is not concerned with the elections of State Legislative Assemblies and Panchayats.
2. The Chief Election Commissioner has a fixed tenure of five years, or up to the age of 65 years, whichever is earlier.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

46. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding National Family Health Survey-5 (NFHS-5) Report?

1. An increase in the stunting levels among children less than five years of age was recorded.
2. Children belonging to rural areas had higher stunting as compared to those from urban areas in 2019-21.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

47. Consider the following statements regarding Group of Seven (G-7) Countries:

1. It is a grouping of industrialized democracies- France, Germany, the United Kingdom, Italy, Japan, the United States and China.
2. Germany hold the G7 presidency in 2023.

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

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

48. Which of the following are the instruments of Monetary Policy?

1. Open Market Operations
2. Bank Rate Policy
3. Corridor
4. Directed Credit Program
5. Cash Reserve Ratio
6. Bank Rate

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

49. Consider the following statements regarding earthquake:

1. The point of origin of an earthquake beneath the earth's surface is referred to as the hypocenter, and epicenter is the point directly above it on the earth's surface.
2. The earthquake events are scaled either according to the magnitude scale i.e., Mercalli scale or as per the intensity scale i.e., Richter scale.

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. Consider the following statements regarding North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO):

1. Its primary objective is to provide collective defense against threats from outside the North Atlantic region.
2. As of 2022, 31 states are the members of NATO.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

51. Consider the following statements:

1. Article 124 provides for the appointment of Chief Justice of India (CJI) and Article 125 provides for the appointment of other judges by the Supreme Court (SC).
2. The senior most judge of the SC should only be appointed to CJI's office as ruled in the Second Judges Case, 1993.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

52. Consider the following statements regarding India-Nordic Summit:

1. The first edition of the summit was held in 2022 where India invited Nordic companies for investing in the blue economy sector.
2. Indian Arctic Policy provides a strong foundation for the enhancement of collaboration between India and the Nordic countries in the Arctic region.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

53. Which of the following constitute the common reasons for recent Global Layoffs?

1. Cost-Cutting
2. Increased Dependence on Online Platforms
3. Economic Downturns

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

54. Consider the following statements regarding India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (Ind-Aus ECTA):

1. It covers almost all the tariff lines dealt in by India and Australia.
2. Graduates in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) fields from India will be eligible for extended post-study work visas as per this agreement.

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

55. Consider the following statements regarding Electronic Way (E-Way) Bill:

1. It provides technology-based solution to monitor the transportation of goods worth within and between states, for sales exceeding 100 kms in the framework of Goods and Services Tax (GST).
2. The validity of an E-Way bill can be extended only by commissioner through issuing notification for certain categories of goods.

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

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

56. Consider the following statements regarding Purchasing Managers Index (PMI):

1. PMI below 50 indicates contraction whereas above 50 indicates expansion.
2. It is released every three months.
3. IHS Markit compiles PMI for countries worldwide.

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

57. Initiative for Critical and Emerging Technologies (iCET) is an initiative between India and which of the following countries?

- (a) United States (b) United Kingdom  
(c) Australia (d) Japan

58. Consider the following statements regarding 'VA RUNA' Exercise:

1. It is a bilateral maritime exercise between India and France.
2. The Indian and French conduct this exercise on an annual basis.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

59. Consider the following statements regarding National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF):

1. It was earlier known as the National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF).
2. NDRF is the 'Public Account' that was constituted under Article 260 of the Constitution.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

60. Which of the following countries share their borders with Turkey?

1. Azerbaijan
2. Georgia
3. Armenia
4. Iraq
5. Syria
6. Russia
7. Bulgaria

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

61. Accessible India Campaign (AIC) is implemented by which of the following ministries?

- (a) Ministry of Law and Justice  
(b) Ministry of Home Affairs  
(c) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare  
(d) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment

62. Consider the following statements regarding Foreign Portfolio Investor (FPI):

1. They constitute a part of country's capital account are exhibited on its Balance of Payments (BOP).
2. FPIs don't have any control over the companies whose shares they hold.
3. As compared to Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), FPI is more volatile and riskier.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

63. Consider the following statements regarding Good Governance Index (GGI) 2021:

1. It is released every two years.
2. GGI 2021 showed an overall decline in GGI scores for many states as compared to previous index.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

64. Consider the following statements regarding Prohibition of Child Marriage Act (PCMA), 2006:

1. Child marriages are illegal and completely void under this Act.
2. PCMA punishes anyone who performs, conducts, directs, or abets any child marriage.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

65. Consider the following statements regarding Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS):

1. It provides for pensions for the employees in the organized sector after the retirement at the age of 60 years.
2. Automatically, employees who are members of the Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) become members of the EPS.

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

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

66. With reference to India's satellite launch vehicles, consider the following statements:

1. Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) is a four-stage vehicle whereas Small Satellite Launch Vehicle (SSLV) is a three-stage vehicle.
2. PSLV has both solid and liquid stages, however, SSLV is all solid-stage vehicle.

3. Mars Orbiter Mission (MOM) was launched through PSLV and the Chandrayaan-1 mission was launched through SSLV.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

67. Consider the following statements regarding In-SPACE:

1. It acts as a single-point interface between ISRO and NASA.
2. It also provides equal opportunities to private Indian and American companies to use Indian space infrastructure.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

68. Consider the following statements regarding Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015:

1. It provides for the trials of juveniles in the age group of 16-18 years as an adult.
2. The 2021 Amendment provided District Magistrate with the authority to issue adoption orders under this Act.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

69. Consider the following statements regarding Chhattisgarh:

1. In 2000, it was carved out of Madhya Pradesh.
2. It is also referred to as "Bowl of Wheat" due to massive wheat production.
3. It is one of the important steel producing centres of the country.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

70. Consider the following statements regarding Bard AI:

1. It is Google's own conversational AI chatbot that's based on the Language Model for Dialogue Application (LaMDA).
2. It is built on Transformer technology that has a Neural Network Architecture.

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

71. Consider the following statements regarding NISAR (NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar) Mission:

1. It is a Low Earth Orbit (LEO) observatory that will map the entire globe in 12 days.
2. ISRO has provided L-band radar whereas NASA has provided S-band radar for NISAR.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

72. Consider the following statements regarding National Security Advisor (NSA):

1. NSA is the primary advisor to the President of India.
2. He presides over the National Security Council (NSC) that looks into political, economic, energy and security issues of strategic concern.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

73. With reference to One District One Product (ODOP) Scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It has been implemented as part of the Pradhan Mantri Formalisation of Micro food processing Enterprises (PMFME) Scheme.
2. The framework for value chain development and support infrastructure alignment of the PMFME scheme will be established by ODOP.
3. There can be only one cluster of ODOP products in one district.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

74. What correctly describes the approach of clothing production in Slow Fashion Movement?

- (a) It prioritizes quantity over quality.
- (b) It focuses on respecting people, the environment, and animals throughout the supply chain.
- (c) It prioritizes trendy and seasonal clothing over quality finishes.
- (d) It exploits workers and the environment to create cheap garments

75. Consider the following statements regarding Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC):

1. It is a non-statutory body.
2. It can't accept demand deposits as well as issue cheques drawn on itself.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

76. Consider the following statements regarding National Commission for Women (NCW):

1. It is a statutory body established under the National Commission for Women Act, 1990.
2. The Commission must have at least one member each belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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



77. Consider the following statements:

1. Minimum wage is the minimum amount an employer is mandated to pay wage earners for the work performed.
2. Living wage is the wage required to pay for basic needs whereas starvation wage is a mean between 'living wage' and 'minimum wage'.

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

78. Consider the following statements regarding Seismic Hazard Map of India:

1. India is among the countries that are severely affected by earthquakes due to the presence of active young fold mountains- Himalayas.
2. Presently, India has been divided into four seismic zones (II, III, IV, and V).
3. Geological Survey of India (GSI) is the official agency for publishing the seismic hazard maps and codes.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

79. Which of the following factors can cause Land Subsidence?

1. Volcanic Eruptions
2. Earthquakes
3. Groundwater Withdrawal
4. Soil Compaction
5. Soil Erosion
6. Mining Activities

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

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

80. With reference to Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), consider the following statements:

1. It seeks to supply 55 litres of water per person per day to each rural household through Functional Household Tap Connections (FHTC) by 2024.
2. Its nodal ministry of Ministry of Rural Development.
3. The funding for JJM is shared between Centre and the States.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

81. Consider the following statements regarding Geological Survey of India (GSI):

1. It operates under the Ministry of Mines.
2. Its headquarters are located in Kolkata.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

82. Consider the following statements regarding Lithium:

1. It is also known as 'White Gold'.
2. It is a key component of electrochemical cells of Electric Vehicle (EV) batteries.
3. Chile, Argentina and Bolivia are together referred to as 'Lithium Triangle'.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

83. Consider the following statements regarding National Green Tribunal (NGT):

1. It is a statutory body established under the National Green Tribunal Act (2010).
2. NGT is mandated to resolve applications or appeals within 6 months from the date they are filed.
3. The members of NGT shall hold office for term of five years and are eligible for reappointment.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

84. Consider the following statements regarding National Family Health Survey-5 (NFHS-5):

1. It recorded a decline in national average of underage marriages.
2. West Bengal and Bihar were among the states with lowest rate of underage marriages across the nation.

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

85. Which of the following is responsible for the implementation of Guidelines for Universal Accessibility in India 2021?

- (a) Ministry of Home Affairs  
(b) NITI Aayog  
(c) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)  
(d) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

86. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Unified Payment Interface (UPI):

1. This refers to an upgraded edition of the Immediate Payment Service (IMPS).
2. It enables the consolidation of several bank accounts into one mobile app, regardless of the participating bank.
3. Out of all the payment systems managed by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), UPI is presently the largest.

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

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

87. With reference to QR code-based Coin Vending Machine (QCVM), consider the following statements:

1. It was announced as part of the RBI's Monetary Policy.
2. When coins are withdrawn through QCVM, the corresponding value is debited from the bank account.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

88. Consider the following statements regarding International Energy Agency (IEA)

1. It is an autonomous intergovernmental organization based in Geneva, Switzerland.
2. IEA releases World Energy Outlook Report on an annual basis.

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

89. Consider the following statements regarding Group of Seven (G7):

1. It doesn't have any permanent secretariat.
2. India is not a member of G7.
3. G7 summit of 2023 will be held in Italy.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

90. 'Operation Dost' was recently mentioned in news. Under this operation, India extended help to which of the following countries?

- (a) Afghanistan (b) Turkey  
(c) Ukraine (d) Pakistan

91. Consider the following statements regarding National Disaster Response Force (NDRF):

1. Established through the Disaster Management Act of 2005, it is a specialized Indian force designed to respond to possible disaster scenarios.
2. Its nodal Ministry is Ministry of Home 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

92. Consider the following statements regarding Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR):

1. It has been identified as one of the top ten threats to global health by WHO.
2. Microorganisms developing AMR are also termed as 'Superbugs'.

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

93. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR):

1. It was established post World War-I to help people who had fled or lost their homes.

2. Its headquarters is located in Geneva, Switzerland.

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

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

94. With reference to the Process of Delimitation, consider the following statements:

1. Article 82 provides for the enactment of a Delimitation Act by the Parliament after every census.
2. States are divided into territorial constituencies after every census as provided by Article 170.
4. Delimitation wasn't done post 1981 and 1991 censuses.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

95. Consider the following statements regarding Comptroller and Auditor-General of India (CAG):

1. Schedule III of the Indian Constitution prescribes the form of oath or affirmation to be made by the CAG.
2. The certification of 'net proceeds' by CAG is considered as final as provided by the Article 279.
3. Article 151 says that the reports of the CAG of India relating to the accounts of the Union shall be submitted to the Prime Minister of India.

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

96. Consider the following statements regarding Millets:

1. These are small-seeded annual grasses cultivated mainly in temperate, subtropical and tropical regions.
2. Millet is one of the first plants domesticated for food whose earliest evidence was found in Indus Valley Civilization.
3. India is the largest millet producer across the globe.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

97. According to the report "Global Sea-level Rise and Implications" India and China are among the countries that face the highest threat of sea-level rise globally. This report has been released by which of the following organisations?

- (a) United Nations Environment Programme  
(b) United Nations Development Programme  
(c) World Meteorological Organisation  
(d) None of the above

98. Consider the following statements regarding UDAN Scheme:

1. It is based on the National Civil Aviation Policy (NCAP)-2016 and has been planned to remain in force for 20 years.
2. It seeks to provide connectivity to unserved and underserved airports of the country.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

99. Consider the following statements regarding Governance Model of New Delhi:

1. Delhi has been conferred the status of 'National Capital Territory' under Article 239AA.
2. The Union Territory of Delhi is governed by a Lieutenant Governor (L-G) who operates under the aid and advice of the elected legislative assembly in all 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

100. Consider the following statements:

1. A coastal state can claim an Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) extending 200 nautical miles from its baselines, beyond and adjacent to its territorial sea.
2. The high seas refer to the ocean surface and the water column outside of the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ).

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

101. With reference to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), 1982, consider the following statements:

1. It establishes the legal framework for marine and maritime activities and is also referred to as 'Law of the Sea'.
2. As per UNCLOS, marine areas are classified into five zones- Internal Waters, Territorial Sea, Contiguous Zone, Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ), and the High Seas.
3. It hasn't been ratified by India.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

102. Which of the following is **not** correct regarding Asset Management Companies (AMCs)?

- (a) AMCs manage high-net-worth individual (HNWI) portfolios.  
(b) AMCs manage hedge funds and pension plans.  
(c) AMCs create pooled structures such as mutual funds, index funds, or exchange-traded funds (ETFs) to better serve smaller investors.  
(d) AMCs are compensated by a fixed salary.

103. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN):

1. Only Small and Marginal Farmers (SMFs) are eligible to get benefit under this Scheme.
2. It is fully funded by the Central Government.
3. Its nodal ministry is the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

104. Consider the following statements regarding Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) 2016:

1. It has been assigned as the "Authority" for regulating and advancing the valuers' profession in the country under the Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation Rules), 2017.
2. Under IBC 2016, the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) was established that's responsible for the implementation of IBC.

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

105. Consider the following statements regarding Vibrant Villages Programme:

1. This programme will encompass border villages that have a sparse population, limited infrastructure, and connectivity.
2. The programme has been developed in response to the Chinese "model villages" near the Line of Actual Control (LAC).

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

106. National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP) is being administered by which of the following ministries?

- (a) Ministry of Rural Development  
(b) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment  
(c) Ministry of Education  
(d) Ministry of Home Affairs

107. Consider the following statements regarding Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) 2005:

1. It enables self-selection of workers and wages are paid to them as per the Code of Wages Act 2019.
2. It mandates the Gram Sabhas to execute at least 75% of the works undertaken by them.

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

108. With reference to Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), consider the following statements:

1. It is a non-statutory body.
2. Its headquarters is situated in New Delhi.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

109. What correctly describes OpenAI's ChatGPT?

- (a) A virtual assistant for scheduling appointments  
(b) An AI-powered chatbot platform for customer support  
(c) A social network for professional networking  
(d) An online marketplace for buying and selling goods

110. What best defines India's Digital Sky platform?  
 (a) A social media platform for aviation enthusiasts.  
 (b) A platform for online shopping of electronics.  
 (c) A platform for drone registration and regulation.  
 (d) A platform for online booking of air tickets.
111. Consider the following statements regarding Drone Rules, 2021:  
 1. Remote pilot license is necessary for non-commercial use of micro and nano drones.  
 2. Operating drones in green zones does not require any permission.  
 3. These permit the foreign ownership of companies operating drones.  
 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
112. Consider the following statements regarding Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), 1967:  
 1. A chargesheet can be filed by the investigating agency in a maximum of 180 days after arrest under this Act.  
 2. Director General of National Investigation Agency (NIA) is empowered to grant approval of seizure or attachment of property.  
 3. Only Indian nationals can be charged under UAPA.  
 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
113. Consider the following statements regarding Disqualification of Members of Parliament (MPs):  
 1. The Presiding Officer has the authority to order a member to leave the House immediately if he deems the member's behavior to be disorderly.  
 2. Suspension of an MP can be invoked by the Presiding officer for a period exceeding the remainder of the Session.  
 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
114. Consider the following statements regarding Representation of the People Act (RPA), 1950:  
 1. It deals with the allocation of seats in the House of the People, as well as in the State Legislative Assemblies and State Legislative Councils.  
 2. It provides for the procedure for preparation of electoral rolls, however, doesn't lay down the procedure for delimitation of constituencies.  
 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
115. Caste Census comes under the jurisdiction of which of the following Ministries?  
 (a) Ministry of Rural Development.  
 (b) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs  
 (c) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment  
 (d) Ministry of Home Affairs
116. Consider the following statements regarding Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002:  
 1. It was enacted to fulfill India's international obligation, as per the Vienna Convention, 1969.  
 2. Individuals will be considered involved in the offence of money laundering till they benefit from the proceeds of the crime.  
 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. PM-KUSUM is an initiative of which of the following ministries?  
 (a) Ministry of Coal  
 (b) Ministry of Earth Sciences  
 (c) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy  
 (d) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
118. With reference to World Economic Outlook, consider the following statements:  
 1. It is conducted by the International Monetary Fund (IMF).  
 2. It is published on an annual basis.  
 Select the correct answer using the codes given below:  
 (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
119. Consider the following statements regarding National Organ Transplantation Guidelines, 2022:  
 1. These removed the upper age limit of 65 years for receiving an organ for transplantation from deceased donors.  
 2. The patient is not required to have domicile and can register to receive an organ in any state of his or her choice.  
 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. Consider the following statements regarding 'National Commission for Women (NCW)':  
 1. The NCW was provided with a statutory body through "The Constitution (One Hundred and Second Amendment) Act, 2018".  
 2. The commission is authorized to constitute an inquiry committee in the event of a serious crime.  
 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



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

1. The GST Appellate Tribunal holds the same powers as the Civil Court.
2. The GST Tribunal cannot impose penalties, revoke or cancel registrations.

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

122. Consider the following statements with respect to 'National Data Governance Framework Policy (NDGFP)':

1. This is promoting the establishment of India Datasets programme, which will consist of non-personal and anonymized datasets from Central government entities.
2. Start-ups and researchers from India would have access to the stored non-personal data.

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

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

1. DigiLocker is an electronic version of documents which can be easily verified and stored in printable format.
2. DigiLocker cannot store a Uniform Resource Identifier (URI) link of issued e-documents.

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

124. With reference to the Global Cyber Security Outlook, 2023, consider the following statements:

1. This report is released by the World Economic Forum in collaboration with the UN Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT).
2. The report highlights that geopolitical instability increases cyber risk, and there is need to address the shortage of talent and skilled experts.

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

125. Consider the following statements:

1. Agriculture Accelerator Fund is to be set up to increase the number of agricultural startups in urban areas.
2. Open source and open standard Digital Public Infrastructure will be built through the Agriculture Accelerator Fund.

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

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

1. Sustainable Alternative Towards Sustainable Transportation (SATAT) scheme was launched to accelerate the production of ethanol for ethanol blending.

2. The programme will be funded under Solid and Liquid Waste Management (SLWM) component of Swachh Bharat Mission-Gramin (SBM-G).

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

127. Consider the following statements about 'Heatwave':

1. The Heatwave is considered when the maximum temperature of a station reaches at least 30°C for hilly regions.
2. An increase of 4°C to 5°C from the normal temperature is considered to be heat wave condition.

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 regarding 'Motion of Thanks':

1. The motion of thanks is passed by a simple voice vote or division vote after the debate in both the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha.
2. The President's annual address to the first session of each fiscal year is discussed in Parliament through a motion called the "Motion of Thanks".

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

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

1. Employees who are members of Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) cannot become members of Employees' Pension Scheme (EPS).
2. Both employers and employee's contribution to EPF of employees goes to EPS at a rate of 8.33 percent.

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

130. Consider the following statements:

1. Adenine, Thymine, Guanine and Cytosine are four types of nitrogen bases present in the DNA.
2. Thymine is not present in RNA; it is replaced by the Uracil.

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

131. Consider the following statements about 'Inflation':

1. Demand-pull inflation involves inflation rising with fall in gross domestic product and employment.
2. Cost-push inflation has a negative impact on GDP (Gross Domestic Product) as it leads to a decrease in consumption and investment.

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



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

1. Municipal Corporations are not eligible to offer green bonds to raise funds for a green project.
2. These bonds are typically asset-linked and backed by the issuing entity's balance sheet.

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

133. With reference to the freedom of expression, consider the following statements:

1. Sovereignty and integrity of India as a ground for reasonable restriction on freedom of speech under Article 19 (2) was added by 16th constitutional amendment act.
2. The right to freedom of expression grants individuals the ability to express their opinions as well as others.

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

134. Consider the following statements regarding 'Washington Treaty, 1949':

1. The foundations of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) were officially laid down with the signing of this treaty.
2. The treaty derives its authority from the United Nations Charter.

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

135. Consider the following statements:

1. It is an advisory function of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) to regulate the tariff of generating companies owned or controlled by the central government.
2. The Commission is responsible, as mandated by the Electricity Act of 2003, to discharge its duties.

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

136. With reference to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), consider the following statements:

1. UNFCCC came into existence at the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment in Stockholm.
2. The Paris Agreement is based on the foundation of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

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

137. Which of the following is bordered by Belarus to the north, Russia to the east, the Sea of Azov and the Black Sea to the south, and Slovakia, and Poland to the west.

- (a) Hungary (b) Romania  
(c) Ukraine (d) Moldova

138. With reference to the National Data and Analytics Platform (NDAP), consider the following statements:

1. The National Data & Analytics Platform (NDAP) was launched by the Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation.
2. NDAP offers machine-readable foundational datasets only from central government entities, along with intuitive interface and robust analytics.

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 regarding 'Emissions Trading System':

1. Developing countries' emission-reducing projects were eligible for credits that European companies could buy instead of cutting their own emissions.
2. The EU Emissions Trading System (ETS) mandates that industrial sectors such as aluminum or steel plants must reduce emissions or buy government-approved permits from companies.

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

140. Consider the following statements about 'Congress session, 1927':

1. Resolution against the use of Indian troops in China, Iran and Mesopotamia has been passed in this session.
2. Resolution for the boycott of Hunter Commission was also passed in the same congress session.

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. Which of the following was declared a part of the basic structure of the constitution in Kesavananda Bharati Case (1973)?

- (a) Rule of law  
(b) Secular character of the Constitution  
(c) Harmony and balance between the Fundamental Rights and DPSP  
(d) Judicial review

142. Consider the following statements regarding 'United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child 1989':

1. This convention is an international agreement which is not legally binding.
2. The convention applied equally to both girls and boys up to the age of 14.

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

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

1. According to World Bank, India's remittance have decreased in 2022 as compared to 2021.
2. The World Bank has estimated that remittance flows to South Asia decreased in 2022 as compared to 2021.

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

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

1. Disputes among rival groups or sections of a recognized political party staking claim to its name and symbol are decided by the Chief Electoral Officer.
2. ECI has the authority to freeze the party's symbol and it them to choose a new party name and symbol.

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

145. With reference to the inflation in India, consider the following statements:

1. Consumer Price Index measures price changes from the perspective of a retail buyer and is released by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
2. Wholesale Price Index measures the changes in the prices of goods sold and traded by wholesale businesses and is published by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation

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

146. Which of the following is not compiled by the Labour Bureau in the Ministry of Labour and Employment?

- (a) CPI for Industrial Workers (IW)  
(b) CPI for Agricultural Labourer (AL)  
(c) CPI for Rural Labourer (RL)  
(d) aCPI (Rural/Urban/Combined)

147. Which of the following nation is member of G20 which is bordered by Namibia, Botswana, Zimbabwe and Eswatini:

- (a) Turkey (b) South Africa  
(c) Brazil (d) Argentina

148. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Monetary Policy':

1. Liquidity Adjustment Facility is a monetary policy in which scheduled commercial banks can borrow additional amount of overnight money from the Reserve Bank by dipping into Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR).
2. Repo Rate is the rate at which the RBI is ready to buy bonds or securities from the banks.

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

149. Consider the following statements regarding 'Supreme Court':

1. India is a federal State and has a single and unified judicial system.
2. The promulgation of the Regulating Act of 1773 established the Supreme Court.

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

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

1. The State Legislature is addressed in Chapter III of Part VI of the Constitution.
2. The Legislative Council is created under the provision of the constitution and cannot be abolished.

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

151. Which of the following proposals are being discussed by the Union government regarding the Indian Army in the Kashmir Valley hinterland?

- (a) To increase the number of troops in the hinterland  
(b) To withdraw the Indian Army completely from the hinterland  
(c) To replace the Indian Army with foreign troops in the hinterland  
(d) To deploy the Indian Army in more districts in the hinterland

152. With reference to the Governor, consider the following statements:

1. As the constitutional head of the state, the governor can pardon the death sentence if a state law calls for the death penalty.
2. A governor cannot be a member of either the house of the Parliament or House of the state legislature.

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

153. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Caste discrimination':

1. The Constitution of India forbids discrimination on grounds of only religion, race, caste, sex, or place of birth.
2. Caste discrimination has no sanction in India as per preamble, fundamental rights and fundamental duties of the Indian Constitution.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

154. Which of the following is associated with the 'Cow Protection'?

- (a) Fundamental Rights  
(b) Fundamental Duties  
(c) Preamble  
(d) Directive Principles of State Policy

155. Aspirational Districts Programme is an initiative launched by the Government of India focusing on which of the following?

1. Health and nutrition
2. Education
3. Agriculture and water resources
4. Financial Inclusion & Skill Development
5. Basic Infrastructure.

Select the correct answer using the code given below

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

156. Consider the following statements:

1. Goa was integrated with the Indian mainland by the "Operation Vijay".
2. Konkani, which is the official language of Goa does not find a place in the 8th Schedule of the Indian Constitution.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

157. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Maternity Benefit Amendment Act, 2017?

1. It increased women's maternity leave entitlements from 18 to 30 weeks.
2. Enterprises with 50+ employees are mandated to provide crèches with 4 daily crèche visits to mothers.
3. Full entitlements under this act are applicable for women with up to two children.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

158. Which of the following statements is **not** correct?

- (a) Ethanol can be combined with petrol in any concentration up to 10% less (E90) than pure ethanol.
- (b) Anhydrous ethanol (ethanol without water) is blended with petrol to reduce air pollution.
- (c) India's target for 20% ethanol blending in petrol (also called E20) has been advanced to 2025 from 2030.
- (d) None of the above

159. The Bali leaders' Declaration 2022 that aims at deploring Russia's aggression in Ukraine "in the strongest terms" is associated with which of the following?

- (a) OECD      (b) G20  
(c) ASEAN      (d) UNGA

160. Consider the following statements regarding the Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968:

1. The Election Commission (EC) is the only authority to decide issues on a dispute or a merger under the order.
2. The decision-making authority of EC in such disputes is applicable to recognised and unrecognised state/national parties.

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

161. Which of the following has recently come up with the 'Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism' to protect its industries from imports from jurisdictions with "less stringent" climate policies?

- (a) Switzerland      (b) USA  
(c) Canada      (d) European Union

162. Consider the following statements regarding International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO):

1. It is headquartered in Madrid, Spain,
2. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) is an associate member of IOSCO.

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

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

1. India's domestic oil production has increased in the last 10 consecutive years (since 2012-13).
2. In the year 2021-22, India's crude oil imports accounted for 20% of its total imports.
3. India has a huge potential to produce sulphur-free crude O&G which is also better for the environment.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

164. Consider the following statements regarding 'Secularism':

1. The word 'Secular' introduced in the preamble of the constitution through the 44th Constitutional Amendment Act, 1978
2. Secularism is the basic structure of the constitution and cannot be amended and changed.

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

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

1. The National Food Security Act, 2013 mandates the availability of subsidized food grains under the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) only to the rural population.
2. The responsibility of transportation of foodgrains up to designated depots in each State/UT lies with the states.

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

166. With reference to the Fundamental Rights, consider the following statements:

1. Right to protest is a fundamental right under Article 19 of the Constitution of India.
2. Right to strike is not a fundamental right but a legal right.

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

167. Which of the following is not a component of Current Account Deficit?

- (a) Visible trade  
(b) Foreign direct investment (FDI)  
(c) Invisible Trade  
(d) Transfer Payments,

168. Creation of new states or alter areas or boundaries depend on the special condition of which of the following?

1. This bill can only be introduced in parliament with a prior recommendation of the President.
2. There is no need for the President to refer the bill to the state's legislature before recommending this bill in parliament.

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

169. Consider the following statements with reference to 'G20':

1. The theme of India's G20 Presidency is "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" or "One Earth. One Family. One Future."
2. This theme of G20 summit is drawn from the ancient Sanskrit text of the Maha Upanishad.

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

170. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding G-20 Presidency?

1. 19 member countries are divided into 5 groups.
2. Each Groups having no more than 4 countries.
3. Presidency rotates between each group.
4. India is in Group 2 which also has Russia, South Africa, and Turkey.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

## Answers

1. (b)	2. (c)	3. (c)	4. (a)	5. (a)	6. (b)	7. (a)	8. (c)	9. (a)	10. (a)
11. (c)	12. (d)	13. (a)	14. (a)	15. (b)	16. (d)	17. (a)	18. (a)	19. (a)	20. (b)
21. (b)	22. (d)	23. (d)	24. (a)	25. (b)	26. (d)	27. (c)	28. (d)	29. (a)	30. (a)
31. (c)	32. (d)	33. (b)	34. (c)	35. (a)	36. (b)	37. (b)	38. (a)	39. (a)	40. (d)
41. (c)	42. (a)	43. (b)	44. (b)	45. (d)	46. (b)	47. (c)	48. (c)	49. (a)	50. (a)
51. (b)	52. (b)	53. (d)	54. (c)	55. (a)	56. (c)	57. (a)	58. (c)	59. (a)	60. (b)
61. (d)	62. (d)	63. (a)	64. (b)	65. (a)	66. (a)	67. (d)	68. (c)	69. (c)	70. (c)
71. (a)	72. (b)	73. (a)	74. (b)	75. (b)	76. (c)	77. (a)	78. (a)	79. (d)	80. (c)
81. (c)	82. (d)	83. (a)	84. (b)	85. (c)	86. (d)	87. (c)	88. (a)	89. (a)	90. (b)
91. (c)	92. (c)	93. (b)	94. (d)	95. (a)	96. (d)	97. (c)	98. (b)	99. (a)	100. (c)
101. (a)	102. (d)	103. (b)	104. (c)	105. (c)	106. (a)	107. (a)	108. (b)	109. (b)	110. (c)
111. (b)	112. (a)	113. (a)	114. (b)	115. (d)	116. (c)	117. (c)	118. (a)	119. (c)	120. (b)
121. (a)	122. (c)	123. (a)	124. (b)	125. (b)	126. (b)	127. (c)	128. (c)	129. (d)	130. (c)
131. (b)	132. (b)	133. (c)	134. (c)	135. (b)	136. (b)	137. (c)	138. (d)	139. (c)	140. (a)
141. (b)	142. (d)	143. (b)	144. (b)	145. (d)	146. (d)	147. (b)	148. (c)	149. (d)	150. (a)
151. (b)	152. (a)	153. (c)	154. (d)	155. (d)	156. (a)	157. (b)	158. (a)	159. (b)	160. (a)
161. (d)	162. (b)	163. (b)	164. (b)	165. (*)	166. (c)	167. (b)	168. (a)	169. (c)	170. (d)