



# **Monthly Editorial Quiz**

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## 1. Consider the following statements:

1. The schemes like National Saving Certificate (NSC), Public Provident Fund (PPF), Kisan Vikas Patra (KVP) and Sukanya Samriddhi Scheme are included under the Small Saving Scheme.
2. The rates for small saving schemes are announced annually.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

## 2. Consider the following statements regarding Scheduled Commercial Banks (SCBs):

1. These are banks listed in the second schedule of RBI Act, 1934.
2. These provide banking services to businesses but not individuals.
3. They include both public and private sector banks.

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

## 3. Consider the following statements regarding Bad Banks:

1. These are set up to buy bad loans from banks.
2. They give banks the freedom to use the freed-up capital to extend more loans to their customers.
3. They help improving banks' capital buffers.

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

## 4. Consider the following statements in reference to 'Arunachal Pradesh':

1. It was known as Northeast Frontier Agency (NEFA) until 1972 and is the second largest state in the northeast.
2. It shares international borders with Tibet, Bhutan, Bangladesh and Myanmar.

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

## 5. Consider the following statements regarding Gold Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs):

1. These are the units representing physical gold which may be in paper or dematerialised form.
2. As compared to physical gold investments, Gold ETFs have much lower expenses.

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. Kisan drones can be used to supply insecticides, vegetables, fruits, fish, etc. consuming lesser time, resulting in more profits to farmers and fishermen.
2. Land records are being documented through drone technology, under the SWAMITVA scheme.

3. To make drones more accessible to farmers, new guidelines under "Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization" (SMAM) scheme were issued.

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

## 7. Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G Scheme) is administered by which of the following ministries?

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

## 8. Consider the following statements regarding Border Area Development Programme (BADP):

1. The programme is concerned with the development of border areas of states in the western region of India only.

2. BADP is a centrally sponsored scheme.

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. Swachh Toycathon competition is undertaken by which of the following ministries?

- (a) Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises  
(b) Ministry of Women and Child Development  
(c) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs  
(d) Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment

## 10. Consider the following statements:

1. Prisons and the persons detailed therein has been listed as a concurrent subject under the seventh schedule of the Indian Constitution.

2. Ministry of Home Affairs provides advice to States on various issues concerning prisons and prison inmates.

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

## 11. Consider the following statements:

1. The suicide rate in India has increased in 2022 as compared to 2019.

2. Bihar topped across all the states of country in terms of number of suicides according to National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)'s report.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

12. Consider the following statements regarding Operation Clean Money:
1. It was launched by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry for e-verification of large cash deposits during the demonetisation period in 2016-17.
  2. It was aimed to take tax enforcement action in case the transactions didn't match the tax status.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
13. Which of the following ministries administers National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) Limited?
- (a) Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas  
(b) Ministry of Commerce and Industry  
(c) Ministry of Coal  
(d) Ministry of Power
14. Consider the following statements regarding Mission Antyodaya:
1. The Mission has been conceived by the Ministry of Rural Development.
  2. It lends support to the process of participatory planning for Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP).
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
15. Consider the following statements regarding Currency in Circulation:
1. It refers to physical currency used to conduct transactions between consumers and businesses.
  2. Currency notes and coins can also be issued by 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
16. Consider the following statements regarding Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960:
1. It provides for the establishment of the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI).
  2. Guidelines regarding experimentation on animals for scientific purposes are provided by this Act.
  3. Provisions relating to the exhibition of the performing animals, and offences committed against the performing animals have been enshrined in this Act.
- 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
17. Consider the following statements:
1. Type 1 Diabetes occurs when the body fails to produce sufficient insulin whereas Type 2 Diabetes affects the way the body uses insulin.
  2. Gestational Diabetes affects pregnant women when the body sometimes becomes less sensitive to insulin.
- 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. Consider the following statements regarding World Economic Outlook (WEO):
1. International Monetary Fund (IMF) releases the WEO.
  2. It is published once in three years.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
19. Consider the following statements regarding Companies Act, 2013:
1. It mandates Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) spending along with a framework to identify potential CSR activities.
  2. It requires companies to set up a CSR committee that will recommend a CSR policy.
- 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
20. Consider the following statements regarding Brasilia Declaration on Road Safety, 2015:
1. Decade of Action for Road Safety 2021-2030 plan is in alignment with Stockholm Declaration (2020).
  2. India is a signatory to this Declaration.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
21. Consider the following statements regarding 'FinTech':
1. It aims to automate and improve the delivery and use of financial services.
  2. It doesn't cover Decentralised Finance (DeFi).
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
22. Consider the following statements regarding Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI):
1. It is released every four months.
  2. A PMI above 50 means expansion, while a score below that denotes contraction.
- 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

23. Consider the following statements regarding Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules 2021:

1. These impose a legal obligation on intermediaries to take reasonable efforts to prevent users from uploading any harmful/unlawful content.
2. The users can appeal to Grievance Appellate Committee against the inaction of, or decisions taken by intermediaries on user complaints.
3. The rules don't provide for the user's right to approach any court for the remedy.

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

24. Consider the following statements regarding Economically Weaker Section (EWS) Quota:

1. 103rd Constitution (Amendment) Act, 2019 was enacted by amending Articles 15 and 16 to introduce 10% EWS quota.
2. It enables the Centre but not the States to provide reservations to the EWS of society.

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

25. Tax Administration 2022 report was released by which of the following?

- (a) United Nations Development Programme  
(b) World Trade Organisation  
(c) International Monetary Fund  
(d) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

26. Consider the following statements regarding Lifestyle for the Environment (LiFE) Movement:

1. The idea of LiFE was introduced at the United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP27) in 2022.
2. It promotes the replacement of use-and-dispose economy by the 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

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

1. It is a statutory body set up as per the provisions of the National Commission for Women Act, 1990.
2. Reviewing the constitutional and legal safeguards for women is one of the functions of NCW.

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 statements regarding Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM):

1. It seeks to provide digital health IDs for all Indian citizens so that health records can be accessed as and when required.
2. Its nodal ministry is Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.

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

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

1. It incentivises the commercial production of green hydrogen in India.
2. Strategic Interventions for Green Hydrogen Transition Programme (SIGHT) and Green Hydrogen Hubs are the sub-schemes under this mission.
3. Its nodal ministry is Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

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

30. Consider the following statements regarding Cable Television Networks (Amendment) Rules, 2021:

1. It provides for a two-tier grievance redressal mechanism.
2. The two-tier mechanism involves the self-regulation by the broadcasters and final oversight by the Inter-Ministerial Committee.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

31. Consider the following statements regarding Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Act, 2017:

1. A pregnant woman is eligible for maternity leave for 28 weeks.
2. A woman can avail the benefit of maternity leave up to two pregnancies only and no leave is provided by this act in case of a third child.

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

32. Consider the following statements:

1. Green hydrogen is produced by electrolysis of water using renewable energy while brown hydrogen is produced using coal.
2. Grey hydrogen and blue hydrogen are produced from natural gas.
3. In case of blue hydrogen production, emissions are captured using carbon capture and storage.

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

33. Consider the following statements regarding PM-Kisan Scheme:

1. It is a centrally sponsored scheme implemented by Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.
2. Under this scheme, financial benefit is provided to the farmers' families through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

34. Consider the following statements regarding Goods and Services Tax (GST):

1. It is levied on goods and services that are sold for domestic consumption.
2. GST is paid by consumers to the businesses selling the goods and services, but remitted to the government.

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

35. Consider the following statements:

1. Millets don't require a specific photoperiod for flowering.
2. Millets are capable of growing under draught conditions as these are less water-consuming.
3. The year 2023 was declared as 'International Year of Millets' by the United Nations General Assembly.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

36. Consider the following statements regarding Line of Control (LoC):

1. It was established as a result of the 1947-48 Indo-Pakistani War and is recognized as an international border by either India or Pakistan.
2. LoC is a dividing line that separates the Indian state of Jammu and Kashmir from the Pakistani regions of Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu and Kashmir.

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

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

1. They can't issue cheques, however, can accept demand drafts.
2. NBFCs can issue credit cards and can engage in other financial activities such as leasing and insurance.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

38. Consider the following statements:

1. Census provides a detailed overview of the Indian population, while Socio-Economic and Caste Census (SECC) helps identifying those eligible for government assistance.
2. Data collected in the Census is kept confidential, while personal information collected in the SECC may be used by government agencies.
3. The Census is conducted every decade, while the SECC is conducted every half decade.

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

39. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct regarding the Registrar General of India (RGI)?

- (a) The Registrar General of India was founded by the Government of India in 1961 and is part of the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- (b) The Registrar General of India is responsible for carrying out and analyzing demographic surveys in India, such as the Census of India and the Linguistic Survey of India.
- (c) The person holding the position of Registrar is usually a civil servant at the rank of Joint Secretary.
- (d) The Civil Registration System (CRS) in India is a voluntary process for recording vital events and characteristics.

40. Consider the following statements:

1. Swarm drones are a group of small, autonomous drones that can work together to achieve a common goal.
2. Swarm drones are typically larger and more expensive than traditional aircraft.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

41. Consider the following statements regarding Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (AUVs):

1. They can operate for extended periods of time without the need for a human operator.
2. AUVs can carry a larger payload than traditional manned submersibles.
3. They are usually less expensive to operate than traditional manned submersibles.

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

42. Consider the following statements regarding National Education Policy (NEP) 2020:

1. Higher Education Commission of India (HECI) will be established as the overarching organization for all higher education, with the exception of medical and legal education.
2. The National Research Foundation will be established to promote a strong culture of research in the higher education sector.



3. Public and private higher education institutions will be subject to different sets of regulations, accreditation standards, and academic norms.

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

43. Consider the following statements regarding National Population Register (NPR):

1. It is a database containing a list of all residents in the country and is generated through house-to-house enumeration during Census.
2. Citizenship Act 1955 and the Citizenship (Registration of Citizens and Issue of National Identity Cards) Rules, 2003 provide for the preparation of NPR.

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 Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorized Occupants) Act, 1971:

1. It empowers the Central Government and State Governments to evict unauthorized occupants.
2. Thea Act provides for an Eviction Officer's appointment who is responsible for carrying out eviction and to take possession of the premises on Government's behalf.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

45. Consider the following statements:

1. Dhamma are the teachings of the Buddha.
2. Buddha's main teachings are encapsulated in four noble truths and eightfold path.
3. Dukkha, Samudya, Nirodha and Atthanga Magga are the for noble truths as depicted by Buddhism.

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

46. Which of the following statements is **not** correct regarding the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY)?

- (a) Funding for the scheme is shared with state governments
- (b) Targets beneficiaries identified by the Socio-Economic Caste Census
- (c) Offers a sum insured of Rs.10 lakh per family
- (d) Cashless and paperless access to healthcare services

47. Which of the following are the causes of Land Subsidence?

1. Extraction of underground water or oil
2. Compaction of soil
3. Collapse of underground mines or cavities
4. Increased rainfall and flood risk

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

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

48. Which of the following constitute the forms of Land Encroachment?

1. Illegal construction of buildings or structures on public land
2. Unauthorized occupation of private land
3. Illegal occupation of land designated for specific purposes, such as forests or protected areas
4. Illegal extraction of resources from public land

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

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

49. Consider the following statements regarding Green Energy Corridor (GEC):

1. It is aimed at facilitating the integration of large-scale renewable energy into the national grid.
2. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) and the Power Grid Corporation of India (PGCIL) are responsible for the implementation of GEC.

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. Which of the following methods can be used for estimating the age of a living individual?

1. Ossification Test
2. Wisdom Teeth
3. Epigenetic Clock Technique
4. Radiocarbon Dating Technique
5. Radiographic Technique

Select the correct answer using the following options:

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

51. Consider the following statements:

1. States are responsible for registering births and deaths.
2. The Citizenship Act, 1955 mandates the registration of births and deaths 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

52. Consider the following statements regarding Corruption Perception Index (CPI) 2021:

1. It is released by the United Nations Development Programme.
2. India ranked among top 10 countries in the 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

53. Consider the following statements regarding Special Marriage Act (SMA), 1954:

1. It provides a law for civil marriages for people of India and Indian nationals abroad.
2. Both parties are required to be present and serve notice with relevant documents to the Marriage Officer 30 days before the intended date of marriage.

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

54. Consider the following statements regarding Socio-Economic and Caste Census (SECC):

1. It has been conducted every 10 years since 1931.
2. All the personal information given in the SECC is open for use by Government departments.

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. Tapovan Vishnugad Hydropower Plant is located in which of the following states?

- (a) Uttarakhand  
(b) Himachal Pradesh  
(c) Meghalaya  
(d) Arunachal Pradesh

56. Consider the following statements regarding National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA):

1. The chairperson of NDMA is the Prime Minister.
2. The concerned State Governments are primarily responsible for disaster management.
3. Aapada Mitra is a central sector programme implemented by the NDMA.

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. Which of the following is a limitation of the power of Judicial Review by the Supreme Court of India?

- (a) Cannot review executive actions  
(b) Cannot review private disputes  
(c) Cannot review financial provisions of the budget  
(d) Cannot review actions taken under the emergency provisions

58. Which of the following is NOT a power of the University Grants Commission (UGC) in India?

- (a) Granting autonomy to universities  
(b) Recognizing degrees and diplomas awarded by universities  
(c) Determining policies for primary and secondary education  
(d) Regulating and funding technical and professional education

59. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the role of a Governor in the Indian political system? He/She -

1. is responsible for maintaining law and order in the state
2. has the power to veto any financial bill passed by the state legislature
3. can address the state legislature and participate in its proceedings

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

60. Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) is responsible for which of the following functions?

- (a) Issuance of certificates for the Indian IT industry  
(b) Managing and handling cyber-attacks and cybercrime  
(c) Implementing government policies related to information technology  
(d) All of the above

61. Green hydrogen is produced by which of the following methods?

- (a) From Natural gas (b) From coal tar  
(c) Through electrolysis of water using renewable energy sources  
(d) Through Nuclear fission

62. Consider the following statements:

1. Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) is the number of deaths during the first 28 completed days of life per 1,000 live births in a given period of time.
2. Sample Registration Survey is conducted every 5 years to provide estimates of infant mortality rate, birth rate, death rate and other fertility and mortality indicators.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

63. Consider the following statements regarding Pasmanda Community:

1. Pasmanda term was initially adopted for the Muslims who migrated from Bangladesh (erstwhile East Pakistan) to West Bengal.
2. At present, the community encompasses the Backward, Dalit and Tribal Muslims that make up the majority of the Muslim community 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

64. Consider the following statements regarding National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC Ltd.):

1. NTPC is a Maharatna company located in New Delhi.
2. It is a central Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) under the Ministry of Coal.

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

65. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY):

1. It is a scheme under the Skill India Mission.
2. National Skills Development Corporation (NSDC) under the guidance of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is responsible for the implementation of this scheme.

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

66. Consider the following statements:

1. The Governor appoints the Chief Minister and other Ministers as provided by the Article 163.
2. Article 161 provides for the pardoning power of the Governor.
3. As per the Article 213, the Governor can promulgate ordinances under certain circumstances.

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

67. Consider the following statements regarding Golden Globe Awards:

1. To recognize outstanding achievements in the entertainment industry, Hollywood Foreign Press Association (HFPA) gives Golden Globe Awards, annually.
2. The awards are considered as a precursor to the Oscars.
3. Indian film 'RRR' won the Golden Globes 2023 for Best Original Song as well as for Best Non-English Language Film.

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

68. Consider the following statements regarding Centrally Protected Monuments (CPMs):

1. The Government of India protects the CPMs through the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI).
2. Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act of 1958 provides of the protection of CPMs.

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

69. Consider the following statements regarding Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication (SWIFT):

1. The European Central Bank, and the National Bank of Belgium, central banks of G10 countries control the SWIFT messaging system.
2. It provides instruction messages for giving and receiving specific funds but doesn't settle any money itself.
3. India's financial system doesn't have access to the SWIFT.

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 North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO):

1. It is a military alliance established as a result of Washington Treaty, 1949.
2. It has 30 member states with its headquarters situated at Belgium.
3. Internal coups or civil wars of member states are not covered under NATO's protection.

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

71. Jallikattu, recently seen in news, is primarily practiced in which Indian state?

- (a) Tamil Nadu (b) Kerala  
(c) Andhra Pradesh (d) Odisha

72. Consider the following statements:

1. India's third largest trading partner is the United Arab Emirates (UAE), following the United States (US) and China.
2. A Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) was signed by India and the UAE in order to enhance bilateral trade and investments.

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

73. Consider the following statements:

1. Basic Structure Doctrine came into being with the landmark Supreme Court judgement in Kesavananda Bharati Case, 1973.
2. The Constitutional Bench in Kesavananda Bharati case ruled that Parliament can amend Constitution's any part as long as it doesn't alter the basic structure.

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

74. Consider the following statements:

1. The 99<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act of 2014 was enacted to replace the collegium system of appointing judges with the National Judicial Appointments Commission (NJAC).
2. 99<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment and NJAC were declared unconstitutional and void in the Third Judges case.

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

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



75. Consider the following statements regarding Prison Statistics of India, 2021:

1. It was released by the National Advisory Council.
2. The undertrial prisoners in Indian prisons registered a decline in 2021 as compared to 2020.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

76. Consider the following statements regarding Deepfake Technology:

1. It makes use of advanced machine learning algorithms to analyze and replicate facial expressions, movements, and speech patterns and thereby, manipulate videos, images, and audios.
2. It is based on Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) that's a type of deep learning.

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 regarding Information Technology Act 2000 (IT Act 2000):

1. It establishes a Controller of Certifying Authorities to serve as a licensing and regulatory authority for certifying authorities.
2. The establishment of a Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) to handle computer security incidents is provided by this Act.
3. The IT Act regulates intermediaries, including internet service providers (ISPs) and network service providers (NSPs).

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

78. Which of the following ministries is responsible for the management of Border Roads Organisation (BRO)?

- (a) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
- (b) Ministry of Defence
- (c) Ministry of Home Affairs
- (d) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs

79. Consider the following statements regarding Andaman and Nicobar Islands:

1. These are cluster of islands in the Bay of Bengal.
2. Andaman Islands are situated south of the Ten Degree Channel whereas Nicobar Islands are on north of the channel.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

80. Consider the following statements regarding National Emergency:

1. Article 352 provides for the declaration of national emergency by the President in case of war or external aggression or armed rebellion.
2. Through the 42nd amendment (1976), the term 'internal disturbance' was replaced by the term 'armed rebellion'.
3. National Emergency was declared immune to judicial review through the 38th amendment (1975), however, 44th amendment (1978 led) to the deletion of this provision.

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

81. Consider the following statements:

1. Replacement-level fertility refers to the Total Fertility Rate (TFR) of about 2.1 children per woman.
2. As per NFHS-F, a decline in India's TFR has been recorded.

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

82. Consider the following statements regarding First Advance Estimates (FAE) of GDP:

1. Ministry of Finance publishes FAE in advance of financial year's end.
2. They include the formal Q3 GDP data as they are published after Q3 is over.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

83. Consider the following statements regarding ChatGPT:

1. It is based on OpenAI's GPT 3.5 series of Language Learning Models (LLM).
2. It is capable of answering follow-up questions, admitting mistakes and challenging incorrect premises.
3. Its inability to reject inappropriate requests is one of its drawbacks.

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

84. Consider the following statements regarding MV Ganga Vilas:

1. It is world's longest river cruise.
2. It connects National Waterway 1 (NW-1) which includes Ganga and National Waterway 2 (NW-2) on Brahmaputra.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

85. Consider the following statements:

1. Article 19(1)(c) provides for the establishment of cooperatives by the citizens of India.
2. Cooperatives are listed as concurrent subject under the Constitution of India.
3. Multi-State Co-operative Societies Act (MSCS) of 2002 Act provides for the registration of cooperatives of more than one state.

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

86. Consider the following statements:

1. Among top 20 countries for road accidents, India ranked first as per World Bank's data of 2019.
2. National Crime Records Bureau reported a decline in road accident cases in 2021 as compared to that of 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

87. Consider the following statements regarding Chief of Defence Staff (CDS):

1. Department of Military Affairs, Ministry of Defence is headed by the CDS.
2. CDS acts as the single-point military adviser to the Defence Minister on the matters of all three services.
3. He enjoys command authority over all three forces and can provide directives to the three chiefs.

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

88. Consider the following statements regarding G20:

1. It was constituted in the backdrop of late 1990s financial crisis.
2. Venezuela will be holding the G20 presidency in 2024.
3. G20 has no permanent secretariat, its work is coordinated by Sherpas, representatives of the G20 countries.

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

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

89. Consider the following statements regarding Payments Vision 2025:

1. The document is based on the initiatives outlined in Payments Vision 2019-21.
2. Its theme is E-Payments for Everyone, Everywhere, Everytime (4Es).

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

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

1. It provides for the pensions for employees in the organized sector after the retirement at the age of 60 years.
2. Employees who are enrolled in the Employees Provident Fund (EPF) automatically become members of EPS.
3. Employees who earn a basic salary of Rs. 15,000 per month are mandated to participate in the EPF 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

91. Consider the following statements regarding Vikram-S:

1. It is a sub-orbital launch vehicle developed by Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).
2. It has been launched under the Parambh Mission.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

92. International Migration Outlook 2022 was released by which of the following organisations?

- (a) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).  
(b) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)  
(c) International Monetary Fund (IMF)  
(d) World Economic Forum (WEF)

93. Consider the following statements regarding Voter Verified Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT):

1. It facilitates voter's ability to confirm if their vote was cast for the desired candidate.
2. Access to VVPAT machines is restricted to polling officers only.

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

94. Consider the following statements regarding 'Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan':

1. Under the Abhiyaan, a special economic and comprehensive package equivalent to 10% of India's GDP was announced.
2. Economy, Infrastructure, System, Vibrant Demography and Demand are the five pillars of Atmanirbhar Abhiyaan.

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

95. Consider the following statements regarding Project Tiger:
1. It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme
  2. National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) which is a non-statutory body under the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change administers the Project Tiger.

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

96. Consider the following statements:

1. Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PM-GKAY) was introduced to help the poor fight the battle against Covid-19, however, it has now been discontinued.
2. Under the National Food Security Act, 2013, free foodgrains (rice, wheat and coarse grains) to all eligible households will be provided for one year from 1st January, 2023.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

97. Consider the following statements regarding Goods and Services Tax (GST):

1. It is value-added tax levied on most goods and services sold for domestic consumption within the country.
2. Import of goods or services are treated as inter-state supplies and are subject to Central GST (CGST).
3. Central GST (CGST), State GST (SGST) and Integrated Goods & Services Tax (IGST) are levied at rates to be mutually agreed upon by the Centre and the States.

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

98. Which of the following best describes Vertical Fiscal Imbalance (VFI)?

- (a) A situation where different levels of government have different abilities to raise revenue and different responsibilities for providing services
- (b) A situation where different levels of government have the same ability to raise revenue and the same responsibilities for providing services
- (c) A situation where different levels of government have the same ability to raise revenue but different responsibilities for providing services
- (d) A situation where different levels of government have different abilities to raise revenue but the same responsibilities for providing services

99. Consider the following statements regarding Competition Commission of India (CCI):

1. It is a non-statutory body constituted on the recommendations of Raghavan Committee.
2. It is a quasi-judicial that renders opinions to statutory authorities as well as deals with other cases.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

100. Consider the following statements regarding AUKUS Grouping:

1. It is a trilateral security partnership between Australia, the UK and the US (AUKUS) for the Indo-Pacific region.
2. Under this arrangement, US shares its nuclear submarine technology with Australia.
3. AUKUS aims to combat China's assertive actions in the South China Sea.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

101. Consider the following statements:

1. E-sports are officially recognized by India and governed by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
2. International Olympic Committee (IOC)'s inaugural Olympic Esports Week in 2023 will be hosted by Japan.

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

102. Consider the following statements regarding National Curriculum Framework:

1. It has been launched for children in the age group of 3-8 years.
2. Its four sections are- NCF for School Education, NCF for Early Childhood Care and Education, NCF for Teacher Education and NCF for Adult Education.
3. It lays emphasis on the ancient India's 'panchakosha' concept of focusing on the body-mind connection.

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

103. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY):

1. It is the National Mission for Financial Inclusion under the Ministry of Finance.
2. Only individuals above the age of 18 years are eligible to open a bank account under PMJDY.

Which of the above statements 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 Tax-to-GDP ratio is a metric that compares a country's tax income to its overall economic output.
2. Developing nations tend to have a greater proportion of their GDP coming from tax revenues when compared to developed nations.

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

105. Consider the following statements regarding Jallikattu:

1. It is a traditional sport of Tamil Nadu.
2. It is a bull-taming event organized during Tamil harvest festival, Pongal in January.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. Article 368 in Part XX of the Constitution outlines the procedures and authority of Parliament to make amendments to the Constitution.
2. Kesavananda Bharati judgement of 1973 held that the Preamble is not a part of Indian Constitution, therefore, amendable.

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

107. Consider the following statements regarding AUKUS Grouping:

1. Articles 124(2) and 217 of the Indian Constitution govern the selection and appointment of judges for the Supreme Court and High Courts, respectively.
2. The Collegium System is a method for appointment of the judges; however, it doesn't deal with the transfer of judges.

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. Consider the following statements regarding Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) 2022:

1. It was released by the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT).
2. It is an annual survey that determines the enrollment of rural and urban children in schools.

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

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

1. As per POCSO Act, involvement in child pornography is an offence, however, the storage of child pornography material is not regarded as an offence.
2. POCSO cases are directly supervised by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

110. Consider the following statements regarding National Initiative for Promoting Upskilling of Nirman Workers (NIPUN):

1. It aims to train over 1 lakh construction workers, through fresh skilling and upskilling programmes.
2. It is a flagship initiative running under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM).
3. National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is the nodal agency for NIPUN.

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

111. Consider the following statements regarding Diabetes:

1. It is a Non-Communicable Disease (NCD) the risk of which is associated with factors such as unhealthy diet, lack of physical activity, alcohol consumption, overweight/obesity and tobacco use.
2. It is a life-style related disorder and the risk of getting diabetes is independent of the genetic factors.

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

112. Consider the following statements regarding IT Rules 2021:

1. The social media intermediaries are legally obliged to take reasonable efforts to prevent users from uploading harmful/unlawful content.
2. Users can approach the Grievance Appellate Committees (GACs) or even courts to appeal against the inaction of, or decisions taken by intermediaries.

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

113. Consider the following statements:

1. Meteoroids are objects in space ranging in size from dust grains to small asteroids.
2. When meteors enter the Earth's atmosphere and hit the ground, it is called a meteoroid.

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 17th Annual Status of Education Report (ASER) 2022:

1. A decline in enrollment of children in government schools was recorded.
2. The proportion of the girls not enrolled in schools increased as compared to previous report findings.

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. Consider the following statements regarding Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Mechanism:

1. In India, ADR doesn't have a statutory backing.
2. Lok Adalat is an ADR mechanism whose decision is final and binding on the parties, and is not appealable in a court of law.

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

116. Consider the following statements regarding 73<sup>rd</sup> and 74<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendments, 1992:

1. These provide for constitution of Gram Sabhas (villages) and Ward Committees (Municipalities) comprising all the adult members registered as voters.
2. In panchayats and municipalities, one-third of the total number of seats have to be reserved for women.
3. The seats for women aren't reserved separately within the reserved Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs).

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

117. Consider the following:

1. UNFCCC, Kyoto Protocol, and the Paris Agreement call for climate finance from developed countries to developing countries.
2. The concept of climate fiancé is in resonance with the principle of "Common but Differentiated Responsibility and Respective Capabilities (CBDR)".

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

118. Consider the following statements regarding National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG):

1. National Ganga Council is responsible for the implementation of NMCG.
2. Rehabilitating and boosting the existing Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) is one of the objectives of NMCG.

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

119. Consider the following statements:

1. Navtej Singh Johar Judgement (2018) provided legal sanctity to the same-sex marriages in India.
2. No Asian country other than India provides for the legalisation of same-sex marriages.

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 Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 (CAA):

1. It provides citizenship to Hindus, Sikhs, Buddhists, Jains, Parsis and Christians who migrated to India from Bangladesh and Afghanistan but not Pakistan.
2. The persons who are accorded citizenship under CAA are exempted from any criminal case under the Foreigners Act, 1946 and the Passport Act, 1920.

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. Consider the following statements regarding RuPay Card Payment Network:

1. It is a National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) product.
2. It is first-of-its-kind global Card payment network of India that protects against anti-phishing.

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. Consider the following statements regarding DigiSaathi:

1. It is a 24x7 digital helpline, a joint initiative between National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), and Payment System Operators and Participants.
2. It has been specifically designed to address the customer queries regarding digital payments for Covid-19 treatment.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. Governor is an apolitical head who determines the time needed for a party to prove its majority.
2. In case of difference of opinion, there are no constitutional provisions stating the manner in which the Governor and the state must engage publicly.
3. Governor can withhold his assent to Bill passed by the State legislature for an indefinite period.

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

124. Consider the following regarding Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) Mission:

1. It is centrally sponsored scheme under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
2. The goal of AMRUT 1.0 was to provide every household with a tap that has a consistent supply of water and a sewerage connection.
3. The objective of AMRUT 2.0 is to ensure that all urban households have access to 100% coverage of water supply.

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



125. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana (PMAY):

1. The erstwhile Indira Awaas Yojana was restructured to PMAY-Gramin and is implemented by the Ministry of Rural Development.
2. PMAY-Urban provides the ownership of houses in the name of female members or in joint name and is implemented by the Ministry of Housing and Urban 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

126. Consider the following statements regarding Global Innovation Index (GII) 2022:

1. It was released by the United Nations Development Programme.
2. Improvement in India's performance was recorded 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

127. Consider the following statements regarding National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF):

1. As per the 2022 Rankings, IISc, Bengaluru was ranked the best university as well as the best research institution.
2. It is initiative by Ministry of Education to rank Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in the country.
3. Participation in the NIRF is mandatory for all government and private educational institutions.

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

128. Consider the following statements regarding Aspirational Blocks Programme (ABP):

1. It is a government initiative announced in the Union Budget 2022-23 that aims at enhancing the development of areas that are falling behind in various development indicators.
2. It is based on the Aspirational District Programme (ADP).

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. Consider the following statements regarding UPI 123 Pay:

1. It is designed to function on basic phones that lack internet connectivity.
2. It will allow for digital transactions to take place via the use of an "on-device" digital wallet within UPI applications.

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

130. Consider the following statements:

1. A Graded Response Action Plan has been prepared for implementation under different Air Quality Index (AQI) categories for Delhi and National Capital Region (NCR).
2. A good AQI is in the range of 0-100 and severe AQI is in the range of 300-400.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

131. Consider the following regarding Convention on the Rights of the Child, 1989:

1. It is a treaty adopted by the United Nations General Assembly that sets out the civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights of every child.
2. India is a signatory of the Convention and ratified the same.

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. Consider the following statements regarding Joint Degree, Dual Degree, and Twinning Programmes Regulations, 2022:

1. For dual degree programs, students must fulfill a minimum of 30% of their coursework requirements at the foreign institution.
2. A student can complete a portion of their studies at a foreign university in case of dual degree program, but the diploma or degree will only be granted by the Indian institution.
3. Programs offered through online, open and distance learning mode are not subject to the new regulations.

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

133. Consider the following statements:

1. India is the third-largest ecosystem for start-ups globally, following the United States and China.
2. As per Global Innovation Index (GII) 2022, India's ranking has improved as compared to 2021 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

134. Consider the following statements regarding Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS):

1. As a response to the Covid-19 crisis, ECLGS was introduced as a part of Centre's Aatmanirbhar package.
2. The National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company (NCGTC) offers a complete guarantee to Member Lending Institutions (MLIs) for the loans provided under the 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

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

1. The National Sample Survey Office (NSSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), conducts the PLFS.
2. The survey is conducted at the end of every financial year.
3. The PLFS is based on a sample survey of households, which includes both urban and rural areas.

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

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

1. The process of resolving insolvency can be initiated by the creditors of a company by submitting an application to the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI).
2. It provides a two-step procedure for dealing with insolvency and bankruptcy, namely the Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (CIRP) and the Liquidation 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

137. Consider the following statements regarding Public Distribution System (PDS):

1. It is an Indian food Security System established under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.
2. The responsibility for operating PDS is shared between the Central and State Governments.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

138. Consider the following regarding Haiderpur Wetland:

1. It has been recognized as Ramsar site.
2. It is included within the boundaries of the Hastinapur Wildlife Sanctuary (Uttar Pradesh).
3. It is an artificial lake.

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

139. Jagannath Yatra train package has been recently launched. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Jagannath Temple?

1. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
2. It is known as the "White Pagoda" and is one of the four sacred sites in the Char Dham pilgrimage circuit.

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 regarding Bharat Gaurav Scheme:

1. The trains run under this Scheme do not operate on a fixed schedule.
2. Trains will be run in theme-based circuits by private players but not IRCTC.

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

141. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana- Gramin (PMAY-G):

1. Its nodal ministry is Ministry of Rural Development.
2. The selection of beneficiaries is conducted through a three-step process which includes validation by the Socio Economic Caste Census 2011, Gram Sabha, and geo-tagging.
3. The cost of funding is shared between Central and State Governments.

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

142. Consider the following statements:

1. 'Parakram Diwas' is celebrated on 23rd January to mark the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose.
2. Ross Island of Lakshadweep had been renamed as Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Dweep.

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. 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' is an initiative by which of the following ministries?

- (a) Ministry of Tourism  
(b) Ministry of Culture  
(c) Ministry of Home Affairs  
(d) Ministry of Education

144. Consider the following statements regarding Aravalli Range:

1. They extend from Uttar Pradesh to Delhi, covering Haryana and Rajasthan.
2. It is one of the oldest fold mountain ranges in the world.
3. Its highest peak is the Guru Shikhar Peak on Mount Abu.

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

145. Consider the following regarding Swachh Bharat Mission Grameen (SBM-G):

1. It is an initiative of Ministry of Rural Development.
2. It aims at the elimination of open defecation in rural areas of 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

146. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Information Technology Act, 2000?

1. Supreme Court in Shreya Singhal Vs Union of India case (2015) declared a section of the IT Act providing punishment for offensive online messages as unconstitutional.
2. It allows government to block public access to any online information provided the request for blocking access is recorded in writing.

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

147. Consider the following statements regarding Rupee Payment Mechanism:

1. Authorised dealers would be required to take prior approval from the regulator to facilitate International Trade in Rupees (INR).
2. Under this arrangement, all exports (but not imports) can be denominated and invoiced in INR.

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

148. Consider the following statements regarding Project-75:

1. It is an Indian Navy programme that entailed indigenous construction of five submarines.
2. Its last submarine, INS 'Vagir' was delivered in 2022.

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

149. What does a high Debt-to-GDP Ratio indicate?

- (a) Low risk of default and minimal chance of financial instability.
- (b) High risk of default and high chance of financial instability.
- (c) No effect on default or financial instability.
- (d) High risk of default but minimal chance of financial instability

150. Consider the following statements:

1. T+1 settlement takes place in one working day and the investor gets the money on the following day.
2. In T+2 settlement system, the trade is settled within two working days and the investor receives the funds on the third day.

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 statements regarding Jal Jeevan Mission:

1. It is an initiative of the Ministry of Jal Shakti.
2. The mission aims to maintain existing water systems, monitor water quality, and promote sustainable agriculture.

3. The mission is funded entirely by the Central Government.

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

152. National Aquifer Mapping and Management program (NAQUIM) is being implemented by which of the following ministries?

- (a) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- (b) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- (c) Ministry of Jal Shakti
- (d) None of the above

153. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding PM Kisan Scheme:

1. It is a centrally sponsored scheme implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.
2. It provides financial benefits to farmers' families across the country through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode.

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

154. Consider the following statements:

1. Supreme Court hears the disputes between the Government of India and one or more states or between two or more states as provided by the Article 131 of the Indian Constitution.
2. Article 163 of the Constitution grants President the power to establish an Inter-state Council to resolve disputes between states.

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

155. Consider the following statements regarding Farmer Produce Organizations (FPOs):

1. Farmer Produce Organizations (FPOs) are groups of farmers that come together voluntarily and have an active role in determining their policies and making decisions.
2. The Small Farmers' Agribusiness Consortium (SFAC) is offering assistance for the advancement of Farmer Produce Organizations (FPOs).

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

156. Which of the following is not a type of Circular Migration?

- (a) Return Migration
- (b) Chain Migration
- (c) Seasonal Migration
- (d) None of the above

157. Consider the following statements regarding NCRB's report Accidental Deaths & Suicides in India Report 2021:

1. In 2021, the majority of suicide victims were individuals who earned a daily wage.
2. The highest number of suicides across the Union Territories was recorded in 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

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

1. It is an initiative of Ministry of Labour and Employment.
2. Agricultural laborers will be paid minimum wages as per state laws in accordance with the Code of Wages 2019.
3. Under the Act, either rural adults get guaranteed work within 15 days of demanding the same, or receive unemployment allowance.

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

159. Consider the following statements regarding WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC), 2005:

1. It is the first treaty negotiated internationally under the direction of the WHO.
2. India implemented the tobacco control provisions as outlined by the WHO FCTC.

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. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Carbon Credit:

1. A carbon credit (also known as carbon offset) is a credit for greenhouse emissions added to the atmosphere.
2. One metric ton of carbon dioxide is equivalent to one carbon credit.

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

161. Consider the following statements:

1. Article 3 of the Indian Constitution authorises the Parliament to alter the name or boundaries of any state.
2. A bill regarding alteration in a state's name or boundaries requires President's recommendation prior to its introduction in the Parliament.

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

162. Consider the following statements regarding Indus Waters Treaty (IWT):

1. IWT was signed between India and Pakistan with World Bank as a signatory.
2. It allocated the western rivers (Indus, Chenab, Jhelum) to Pakistan, and the eastern rivers (Ravi, Beas, Sutlej) to India.
3. As per the river allocation under IWT, 20% of the water share went to Pakistan whereas 80% was left for India's use.

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

163. Consider the following statements regarding Population Census:

1. The exercise is conducted every decade in India.
2. Henry Walter is known as the father of Indian Census.
3. Its nodal ministry is Ministry of Home Affairs.

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

164. Consider the following statements regarding National Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Policy, 2016:

1. Cell for IPR Promotion & Management (CIPAM) is responsible for implementation of the objectives of the National IPR Policy.
2. It is in accordance with the WTO's agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS).

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. Consider the following statements Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS):

1. It is being implemented by the Ministry of Women and Child Development.
2. It is a central sector scheme.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

166. Consider the following statements regarding Padma Awards:

1. Announced annually on Independence Day, Padma Award is one of the highest civilian honours of India.
2. The highest award in the hierarchy of Padma Awards is Padma Vibhushan.
3. The Padma Awards are granted based on the suggestions of the Padma Awards Committee constituted by the Prime Minister.

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



