



# **Monthly Editorial Quiz (Consolidation)**

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1. Regarding the Assam Accord 1985, consider the following:
  1. It was a tripartite agreement between the Central Government, the State Government of Assam, and the leaders of the Assam Movement.
  2. It sets a cut-off of midnight of 24th March 1971, for detecting illegal foreigners in Assam.
  3. Following the Accord Section 6A was enacted as part of the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 1985.
 How many of the statements given above are correct?
  - A. Only One
  - B. Only Two
  - C. All Three
  - D. None
2. Regarding the South China Sea, consider the following:
  1. China and Taiwan border it to the north while Indonesia and Malaysia are to the South.
  2. It is connected by the Luzon Strait with the East China Sea.
  3. It is connected by the Taiwan Strait with the Philippine Sea.
 How many of the statements given above are correct?
  - A. Only One
  - B. Only Two
  - C. All Three
  - D. None
3. Regarding the Initiative on Critical and Emerging Technologies (iCET), consider the following:
  1. The Initiative on Critical and Emerging Technologies (iCET), between India-US is being run by the National Security Council of both countries.
  2. It aims to promote collaboration in critical and emerging technology areas, including AI, quantum computing, semiconductors, and wireless telecommunication.
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
  - A. 1 Only
  - B. 2 Only
  - C. Both 1 and 2
  - D. Neither 1 nor 2
4. Regarding the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA), consider the following:
  1. It is an intergovernmental organization established to promote economic cooperation and regional integration among countries bordering the Indian Ocean.
  2. The Council of Foreign Ministers (COM) which meets annually is its apex body.
  3. Recently it has replaced the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) to become the second largest organization after the United Nations.
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
  - A. 1 and 2 only
  - B. 2 only
  - C. 3 only
  - D. 1, 2 and 3
5. State of the Global Climate Report 2022 was released by which of the following:
  - A. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
  - B. World Meteorological Organization (WMO)
  - C. United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
  - D. International Energy Agency (IEA)
6. Regarding the Long Duration Energy Storage Council (LDES), consider the following:
  1. The LDES Council is an inter-governmental body with 70 member countries.
  2. It focuses on accelerating the decarbonization of the world through long-duration energy storage.
  3. All members of the LDES Council have voting rights.
 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
7. Regarding Guru Ravidas, Consider the following:
  1. He was a 14th-century saint and reformer of the Bhakti movement in North India.
  2. Some of his poems were included in 'Guru Granth Sahib', the religious text of the Sikhs.
  3. He was a contemporary of Maharishi Valmiki.
 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
8. Regarding the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) (PoSH) Act, 2013, consider the following:
  1. The 'Vishakha guidelines' given by the Supreme Court in the Vishakha and others v State of Rajasthan form the basis of the act.
  2. The Act places a legal obligation on employers to prevent and prohibit sexual harassment in the workplace.
  3. Employers are required to constitute an Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) at each workplace with 5 or more employees to receive and address complaints of sexual harassment.
 How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?
  - A. Only One
  - B. Only Two
  - C. All Three
  - D. None

9. Regarding the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2023, Consider the following:

1. NIRF is the first-ever effort by the government to rank Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in the country.
2. It is released by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) biennially.
3. The 2023 edition Integrated "Innovation" ranking previously executed by the Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievements (ARIIA) into the India Rankings.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

10. Consider the following statement:

1. The National Service Scheme (NSS) is a Central Sector Scheme to develop the personality and character of the student youth through voluntary community service.
2. National Cadet Corps(NCC) was formed in 1948 on the recommendation of the H. N. Kunzru Committee.

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 Geneva Conventions (1949) and their Additional Protocols are international treaties that contain the most important rules limiting the barbarity of war.
2. The 1954 Hague Convention is the foremost global treaty safeguarding cultural heritage in both peacetime and armed conflicts.

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

12. Match the following:

City	Country
1. Mosul	(a) Yemen
2. Dnipro	(b) Ukraine
3. Sana'a	(c) Iraq

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

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

13. Regarding Narmada consider the following statements:

1. Narmada is the largest west-flowing river of the peninsular region flowing through a rift valley between the Vindhya and the Satpura Range.
2. It rises from the Maikala range near Amarkantak in Madhya Pradesh.
3. Major Tributaries of the river are Seonath, Hasdeo, Mand.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

14. Regarding Siliguri Corridor, consider the following statements:

1. It is situated in West Bengal, linking the northeastern states of India to the rest of the country.
2. It borders Nepal, Bangladesh, and Myanmar.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

15. Consider the following statements:

1. Market capitalization is the aggregate valuation of the company based on its current share price and the total number of outstanding stocks.
2. Multi-cap funds are those that diversify their investments into all three categories (small, medium, and large-cap).
3. Multi-cap funds invest by market capitalization of shares.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

16. Regarding the Association of Southeast Asian Nations(ASEAN), consider the following statements:

1. It was established in 1967 with the signing of the Bangkok Declaration.
2. Its chairmanship rotates annually, based on the alphabetical order of the English names of Member 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

17. Regarding the Finance Commission, consider the following:
1. It is a constitutional body established under Article 256 of the Indian Constitution.
  2. Its primary function is to recommend the distribution of financial resources between the central government and the state governments.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- A. 1 Only
  - B. 2 Only
  - C. Both 1 and 2
  - D. Neither 1 nor 2
18. Recently 'Europa' was seen in the news. It is best described as:
- A. A recently discovered polar bear species
  - B. One of Jupiter's moons
  - C. Awarded as 'Word of the Year 2023'
  - D. A newly discovered fish species in the Himalayas
19. Regarding X-ray Polarimeter Satellite (XpoSat), consider the following:
1. It is designed to study X-ray polarization in the medium X-ray band, offering insights into celestial sources' radiation mechanisms and geometry.
  2. POLIX (Polarimeter Instrument in X-rays) and XSPECT (X-ray Spectroscopy and Timing) are the two of its payloads.
  3. XPoSat is the world's first mission dedicated to X-ray polarization in the medium X-ray band.
- How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?
- A. Only One
  - B. Only Two
  - C. All Three
  - D. None
20. Ethereum, Tether, and Solana often seen in the news are related to:
- A. Recently discovered asteroids
  - B. Name of cryptocurrencies
  - C. World's largest shipping companies
  - D. Artificial Intelligence Tools
21. The Supreme Court stressed the importance of recognizing the Constitution's moral values through a constitutional culture, highlighting that those in constitutional positions carry responsibilities and duties based on constitutional morality. The above remarks were made by the apex court in which of the following judgments:
- A. NCT of Delhi v. Union of India (2018)
  - B. M. P. Sharma And Others vs Satish Chandra (1954)
  - C. Rameshwar Prasad v. Union of India (2006)
  - D. Nabam Rebia judgment (2016)
22. The commission criticized certain Governors for lacking impartiality and wisdom, noting that many Governors see themselves as Union agents, leading to a worsening situation. The recommendation for Governors to remain detached from local politics is still far from reality. The above views are expressed by which of the following commissions?
- A. Sarkaria Commission
  - B. Strachy commission
  - C. Khosla Commission
  - D. Mandal Commission
23. Mudasarlova Reservoir which was recently seen in the news is located in which of the following state:
- A. Andhra Pradesh
  - B. Karnataka
  - C. Tamil Nadu
  - D. Maharashtra
24. Regarding the Transfer of Sentenced Persons in a foreign country to India, consider the following statements:
1. India has the unique privilege of entering into prisoner transfer treaties with all the United Nations member countries.
  2. It allows a person convicted of a crime to be transferred to his or her home country to serve the prison sentence.
  3. For the prisoner to serve the rest of his/her sentence in India, there must not be a standing appeal against his committal to prison in a foreign country.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- A. Only One
  - B. Only Two
  - C. All Three
  - D. None
25. Regarding the Nuclear Proliferation Treaty (NPT), consider the following statements:
1. The NPT aims to curb nuclear weapon proliferation, promote peaceful nuclear energy use, and advance disarmament goals through an international treaty.
  2. It is the sole obligatory pledge in a multilateral treaty for nuclear-weapon States to pursue disarmament.
  3. While India has recently joined the NPT, Israel has refused to join it.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- A. 1 and 2 only
  - B. 2 only
  - C. 3 only
  - D. 1, 2, 3

26. Consider the following statement:

1. Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty (ABM Treaty) an arms control treaty was ratified in 1972 between India and Pakistan.
2. The Russian president has suspended the New START treaty which is the last remaining nuclear arms control pact between Russia and the United 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

27. Regarding AUKUS, Consider the following statements:

1. It is a quadrilateral Security Partnership Between Australia, the U.K., the U.S., and India on similar lines as the QUAD grouping.
2. It will enhance information and technology sharing, fostering deeper integration of security and defense science, technology, industrial bases, and supply chains.
3. The first initiative under AUKUS is a commitment to support Australia and India in acquiring nuclear-powered submarines.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

28. Regarding the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), 1982 consider the following:

1. It is an international agreement that establishes the legal framework for marine and maritime activities.
2. It is the sole global convention outlining state jurisdiction in maritime areas, assigning distinct legal statuses to various maritime zones.
3. The Contiguous Zone is one of the five zones created by the UNCLOS.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

29. Adaptation Gap Report is released by which of the following:

- A. World Bank
- B. United Nations Environment Programme(UNEP)
- C. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
- D. Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

30. Consider the following statements :

1. China is the world's leading producer and consumer of aluminum.
2. In India, the electrical sector has the largest share in aluminum consumption, followed by the automobile and transport sector.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

31. Consider the following statement:

1. The UN Decade of Ocean Science (2021-2030) aims to boost ocean science's contribution to sustainable ocean management globally.
2. The third edition of the UN Ocean Conference will be organized by Germany in cooperation with the United Nations and the World Bank.

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. Regarding One Water Summit, consider the following statements:

1. It is held annually under the aegis of the World Meteorological Organisation(WMO).
2. The 2024 summit will be hosted by France and Kazakhstan during the United Nations General Assembly.

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

33. Which of the following best describes the term Bio-economy:

- A. It refers to utilizing biological resources, knowledge, science, technology, and innovation to deliver sustainable economic solutions across various sectors.
- B. It refers to the effect of controlling the human population on the economy.
- C. It refers to the effect of environmental measures on the economy.
- D. It refers to the economic gains made due to biological developments on the economy



34. Regarding the Loss and Damage Fund, consider the following:

1. It is a global financial package to ensure the rescue and rehabilitation of countries facing the cascading effects of climate change.
2. The World Bank will initially manage the loss and damage fund, funded by affluent nations like the US, the UK, the EU, and select developing countries.

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

35. Regarding Special Drawing Rights, consider the following statements:

1. The SDR serves as the unit of account of the IMF and some other international organizations.
2. The SDR's currency value is calculated by adding the US dollar values of a currency basket using market exchange rates.
3. The SDR basket of currencies includes the US dollar, Euro, Japanese yen, pound sterling, Chinese renminbi, and Indian rupee.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

36. Regarding the Environmental Protection Act (EPA), 1986 consider the following statements:

1. The EPA originated from the 1972 Stockholm Conference, where India, among other nations, participated to address human environment improvement.
2. The Act empowers the Central government to instruct the cessation, prohibition, or control of any industry, operation, or process.
3. The National Green Tribunal (NGT) has been established under this act.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

37. Consider the following statements:

1. Cauvery, known as 'Ponni' in Tamil, is the South's fourth-largest river, often referred to as the Ganga of the region.
2. Thamiraparani is the only perennial river in Tamil Nadu.

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. Camp David Accords, Oslo Accords, and Balfour Declaration often seen in the news are related to:

- A. Israel-Palestine Conflict
- B. Environmental Agreements
- C. Agreements under Afghanistan Peace Process
- D. Ukraine-Russia Conflict

39. Regarding Aluminum metal, consider the following statements:

1. Aluminum is infinitely recyclable, eco-friendly, corrosion-resistant, and highly malleable compared to steel, plastic, and other materials.
2. Alumina is derived from bauxite.
3. India possesses bauxite reserves, yet addressing issues like accessing mineral-rich regions, land acquisition, and environmental clearances is crucial to boost mining.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

40. Consider the following pairs:

City	Country
1. Aden	(a) Yemen
2. Hebron	(b) Palestine
3. Kerman	(c) Ukraine

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

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

41. Consider the following pairs:

Group	Country
1. Houthi	(a) Lebanon
2. Hezbollah	(b) Yemen
3. Hamas	(c) Palestine

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

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

42. Regarding European Union Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM), consider the following statements:
1. It seeks to fairly priced carbon emissions from the production of specific imported goods.
  2. It will decrease the costs and increase the competitiveness of Indian exports to the EU.
  3. It's a component of the EU's "Fit for 55 in 2030" initiative aiming to cut greenhouse gas emissions by 55% by 2030 compared to 1990 levels as per the European Climate Law.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

43. Which of the following is NOT a Step taken by the Government for the Faster Adoption of Electric Vehicles:
1. India's government recently abolished GST on electric vehicles to encourage their adoption.
  2. The Ministry of Road Transport Highways issued a notification regarding the exemption of permit in case of battery-operated vehicles.
  3. The government of India has launched The FAME India Scheme, aimed at promoting electric vehicles (EVs) in the country.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

44. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** The Sendai Framework is the successor instrument to the Paris Agreement.

**Statement-II:** Sendai Framework aims to guide the multi-hazard management of disaster risk in development at all levels as well as within and across all sectors.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

45. Consider the following statements:

1. India is yet to adopt the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction.
2. The Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction meets every two years as a crucial part of overseeing and enacting the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (2015-2030).

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

46. Regarding the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification, and Watchkeeping (STCW) for Seafarers (1978), consider the following statements:

1. It sets qualification standards for masters, officers, and watch personnel on seagoing merchant ships.
2. The STCW Convention is the second after the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) to establish basic requirements for training, certification, and watchkeeping for seafarers on an international level.
3. It applies to ships of non-party States when visiting ports of States which are Parties to the Convention.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

47. Regarding the National Green Hydrogen Mission, consider the following statements:

1. The National Green Hydrogen Mission aims to boost green hydrogen production commercially in India to become a net exporter of the fuel.
2. The Strategic Interventions for Green Hydrogen Transition Programme (SIGHT) aims to finance affordable electrolyzer imports for the production of green hydrogen.
3. States and regions capable of supporting large-scale production and/or utilization of hydrogen will be identified and developed as Green Hydrogen Hubs.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

48. Regarding Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA), 2010 consider the following statements:

1. The FCRA was passed in 1976 to address worries about foreign involvement in India's affairs via funding to independent groups.
2. FCRA registration is valid for five years, and NGOs are required to apply for renewal within six months of the registration's expiry.
3. In 2020, an amendment decreased the permissible use of foreign contributions for administrative expenses from 50% to 20%.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

49. Consider the following statements:

1. Indian Science Congress was created under the Atal Innovation Mission to promote scientific temperament among the students.
2. The Indian Science Congress Association (ISCA) operates independently with backing from the central government's Department of Science and Technology (DST).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

50. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** Antimicrobial resistance occurs when bacteria and fungi become capable of overcoming drugs meant to eliminate them, leading to persistent and challenging-to-treat infections.

**Statement-II:** Antimicrobial resistance, a pressing global health threat, caused 1.27 million deaths globally in 2019 and poses a serious risk across various life stages and sectors making it a top public health concern.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correxplanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

51. Regarding the Tenth Schedule, consider the following statements:

1. The Tenth Schedule was inserted by the 61st Constitutional Amendment Act, 1988.
2. It outlines how lawmakers can be disqualified for defection by the Presiding Officer upon a petition from any fellow member.
3. While it applies to the parliament, for state assemblies a separate provision has been provided under Schedule eleven.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

52. Regarding the Gaza Strip, consider the following statements:

1. The Gaza Strip is situated in the eastern Mediterranean basin.
2. It shares borders with Israel in the southwest and Egypt to the north and east.

3. Its three operational border crossings are Karem Abu Salem and Erez, under Israeli control, and Rafah, under Egyptian control.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

53. Consider the following statements:

1. Illegal migrants in India may be imprisoned or deported under the Foreigners Act, 1946 and the Passport (Entry into India) Act, 1920.
2. The Citizenship Act of 1955 outlines methods to acquire citizenship, including by birth, descent, registration, naturalization, and through the incorporation of territory into India.
3. The Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 excludes certain religious groups from Maldives, Bangladesh, and Pakistan who arrived in India before December 31, 2014, from being considered illegal migrants.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

54. Consider the following statements:

1. The Comptroller and Auditor-General of India (CAG) in the Ministry of Finance serves as the key accounting adviser to the Indian government, overseeing the establishment and upkeep of a robust Management Accounting System.
2. The Controller General of Accounts (CGA), functioning independently under India's constitutional framework, oversees audits and accounts, safeguarding public funds, and ensuring governmental accountability to both Parliament and the public.

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:

1. Corbett National Park was the first National Park in India.
2. The Project Tiger was launched in 1973 in Corbett National Park.
3. Marva, Chenab, and Chilla are the major rivers flowing through the Corbett Tiger Reserve.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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



56. The country, where the Arab Spring started in December 2010, was the sole success in transitioning to democracy, known for its Jasmine Revolution. Which of the following countries is referred to above?
- A. Libya                                  B. Tunisia  
C. Bahrain                                D. Yemen
57. Consider the following statements:
1. The RBI Act, 1934 outlines the legal framework for utilizing reserves in various foreign currency assets and gold, specifying currencies, instruments, and issuers within broad parameters.
  2. The Reserve Bank of India has the highest foreign exchange reserve in the world.
  3. Forex reserve adequacy is gauged by the number of months a country can sustain its imports, with a six-month threshold considered safe.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- A. Only One                                B. Only Two  
C. All Three                                D. None
58. Regarding the Global Multidimensional Poverty Index(GMPI), consider the following statements:
1. It was first launched in 2010 by the World Bank.
  2. The MPI monitors deprivations in 10 indicators spanning health, education, and standard of living and includes both incidence as well as intensity of poverty.
  3. A person is deemed multidimensionally poor if deprived in 33% or more of weighted indicators.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- A. Only One                                B. Only Two  
C. All Three                                D. None
59. Regarding Stand Up India, consider the following statements:
1. It aims to provide bank loans ranging from Rs.10 lakh to Rs.100 lakh, ensuring at least one SC/ST and one woman borrower per branch of Scheduled Commercial Banks.
  2. Loans under the scheme are available for only green field projects.
  3. The borrower under the scheme shall be required to bring in a minimum of 10 % of the project cost as his contribution.
- How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?
- A. Only One                                B. Only Two  
C. All Three                                D. None
60. Regarding Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana, consider the following statements:
1. It was launched by the government to provide loans up to Rs. 1 crore to the non-corporate, non-farm small/micro-enterprises.
  2. Under the scheme, Micro Units Development & Refinance Agency Limited (MUDRA) lends directly to micro-entrepreneurs / individuals.
  3. Loans under this scheme are collateral-free loans.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- A. Only One                                B. Only Two  
C. All Three                                D. None
61. Regarding Aditya-L1 Mission, consider the following statements:
1. Aditya-L1 is an observatory-class solar mission that will study the sun with seven instruments.
  2. ISRO selected the L1 Lagrange point, where gravitational forces are balanced, enabling Aditya-L1 to stay in position with minimal fuel usage.
- 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
62. Regarding the Rights of Persons With Disabilities Act, 2016, consider the following statements:
1. Under the act, children aged 6 to 18 with benchmark disabilities are entitled to free education.
  2. The Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities and the State Commissioners will act as regulatory bodies and Grievance Redressal agencies, monitoring the implementation of the Act.
- 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
63. Consider the following statements:
1. Clean Air Fund is a World Bank initiative in collaboration with Niti Aayog.
  2. The National Clean Air Programme was the first-ever effort in the country to frame a national framework for air quality management with a time-bound reduction target.
  3. The Air Quality Index (AQI) reports daily air quality changes, emphasizing short-term health effects from breathing polluted air by monitoring eight key pollutants.
- 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

64. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** Parliamentary approval is required to draw money from the Consolidated Fund of India.

**Statement-II:** No amount can be withdrawn from the Consolidated Fund without the enactment of a law.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

65. Regarding the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act, 2003, consider the following statements:

- 1. It was enacted by the Parliament in 2003, to ensure fiscal discipline, transparency, and accountability in government spending.
- 2. The government is mandated by the act to progressively decrease its fiscal deficit, aiming to achieve a target below 4.5 percent by the fiscal year 2025-26.
- 3. The Medium-Term Expenditure Framework(MTEF) under the act statement sets a five-year rolling target for expenditure indicators, along with specifications of underpinning assumptions and risks.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

66. Which of the following are related to poverty:

- 1. Rangarajan Committee
- 2. Mudaliar Commission
- 3. Tendulkar Committee

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

67. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Strait of Hormuz is a narrow waterway located between the Persian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman.
- 2. The countries bordering the Red Sea are Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Sudan, Eritrea, and Djibouti.

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

68. Regarding Geographical Indications(GI), consider the following statements:

- 1. It is a sign used on products that have a specific geographical origin and possess qualities or a reputation that are due to that origin, and it is granted by the Ministry of Agriculture.
- 2. It is not defined in the 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

69. Regarding Green Credit Rules, 2023, consider the following statements:

- 1. They have been notified under the National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.
- 2. These rules put in place a mechanism to encourage voluntary environmental positive actions resulting in the issuance of green credits.
- 3. The generation of Green Credit under Green Credit Rules, 2023 is independent of the carbon credit under Carbon Credit Trading Scheme 2023.

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

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

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

- 1. It is the European Union's (EU) landmark tool to fight carbon leakage and one of the central pillars of the EU's ambitious Fit for 55 Agenda.
- 2. It will initially focus on carbon-intensive imports like cement, iron, steel, aluminum, fertilizers, electricity, and hydrogen, which pose the highest risk of carbon leakage.
- 3. CBAM may raise costs and diminish India's export competitiveness in the EU, particularly in key sectors like steel and aluminum, crucial for India-EU trade.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

71. Rule of Law Index is released by which of the following?

- A. World Justice Project
- B. Amnesty International
- C. World Bank
- D. The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

72. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Act, 2023 seeks to promote ease of business by decriminalizing minor offenses by amending several provisions of the different acts.

**Statement-II:** The bill changes fines to penalties, eliminating the need for court prosecution, and removing imprisonment for various offenses.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

73. Regarding the Coalition for Content Provenance and Authenticity (C2PA), consider the following statements:

- 1. The initiative, led by India, was unveiled during the G20 Summit held in India in September 2023.
- 2. It addresses the prevalence of misleading information online through the development of technical standards for certifying the source and history of media content.

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. Free Movement Regime(FMR) allows people residing on either side of the India-Myanmar border to venture 16 km into each other's territory without a visa.
- 2. Myanmar shares borders with four states of India namely Assam, Mizoram, Manipur, and Nagaland.

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

75. Regarding India-United Arab Emirates(UAE) relations, consider the following statements:

- 1. The India-UAE Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement(CEPA) is India's first trade agreement with a major partner in over a decade, following the 2011 FTA with Japan.
- 2. The government enforces stringent origin rules in the deal, demanding a 40% value addition in exporting nations to deter tariff evasion via UAE.

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:

**Statements-I:** The National Security Strategy delineates the country's security goals, strategies, and accountability for addressing both traditional and non-traditional threats and opportunities.

**Statements-II:** Naresh Chandra Task Force (2012) and Gen. D.S. Hooda's document (2019) addressed Indian national security, covering defense reforms and proposing a strategic plan.

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

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

- 1. He will act as the Principal Military Adviser to the Defence Minister only on tri-services matters.
- 2. His dual role involves serving as both the permanent Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee and as the head of the Department of Military Affairs, with military responsibilities and government duties, respectively.

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. Regarding the Agnipath Scheme, consider the following statements:

- 1. It recruits soldiers yearly, with most serving for four years, and only 25% continuing for 15 years, aiming to trim the permanent force levels and cut down on the significant defense pension expenses.
- 2. The new arrangement applies exclusively to non-commissioned personnel, excluding those who join the forces as officers.

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

79. Regarding Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP), consider the following statements:

1. It is a comprehensive free trade agreement between 10 ASEAN countries and their free trade partners, aiming to increase trade and cooperation to create the world's largest trading bloc.
2. India, initially a part of RCEP, withdrew in 2019 due to worries about how it might affect its 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

80. Regarding Lakshadweep Island, consider the following statements:

1. It is India's second-largest union territory.
2. It is home to the world's first conservation area for sea cucumbers.
3. Its entire indigenous population has been classified as Scheduled Tribes because of their economic and social backwardness.

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

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

1. The Greater Male Connectivity Project, funded by India, involves building a 6.74 km bridge and causeway connecting Male with Villingli, Gulhifalhu, and Thilafushi islands.
2. Under Operation Cactus 1988 India supplied drinking water to Maldives to deal with the drinking water crisis.

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:

**Statement-I:** The degree of income inequality is measured through the Gini Coefficient.

**Statement-II:** A Gini Coefficient of zero means that everyone has the same income, while a Coefficient of one represents a single individual receiving all the income.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I

B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I

C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect

D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

83. Consider the following statements:

1. 'Prisons' is a State subject under the State List of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India.
2. The life convicts necessarily have to serve a minimum of 14 years in prison before they can become eligible to apply for remission.
3. Each application for remission has to be individually considered by a committee based on factors laid down by the Supreme Court in case Laxman Naskar vs State of West Bengal (2000).

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

84. Regarding Partnership for Global Infrastructure and Investment (PGII) consider the following statements:

1. It is a values-driven, high-impact, and transparent infrastructure partnership to meet the enormous infrastructure needs of low and middle-income countries.
2. The India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor (IMEC) Project signed at the G20 Summit in New Delhi is not part of PGII.

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

85. Logistics Performance Index 2023 is released/submitted by which of the following?

- A. World Trade Organisation
- B. World Bank
- C. International Monetary Fund
- D. World Logistic Council (WLC)

86. Consider the following statements:

1. Logistics Ease Across Different States (LEADS) is an indigenous data-driven index to assess logistics infrastructure, services, and human resources across all 36 States and UTs.
2. The Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways releases the Logistics Ease Across Different States (LEADS) Report 2023.

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. Regarding the Forest Rights Act of 2006, consider the following statements:

1. Gram Sabha is the authority to initiate the process for determining the nature and extent of Individual Forest Rights (IFR) or Community Forest Rights (CFR).
2. Title rights, Relief and development rights, and Forest management rights are the only three rights identified under the act.

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

88. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** Anti-dumping duty is a protectionist tariff that a domestic government imposes on imports that it believes are priced below fair market value.

**Statement-II:** In the long term, anti-dumping duties can reduce the international competition of domestic companies producing similar goods.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I  
B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I  
C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect  
D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

89. Regarding the International Court of Justice (ICJ), consider the following statements:

1. The court has no jurisdiction to deal with applications from individuals, non-governmental organizations, corporations, or any other private entity.
2. It has jurisdiction to try individuals accused of war crimes or crimes against humanity.
3. Being a criminal court, it possesses the power to prosecute and commence legal proceedings.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Ans: A

90. Consider the following pairs:

Port	Country
1. Haikou	(a) Japan
2. Diego Garcia	(b) France
3. Hambantota	(c) Sri Lanka

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

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

91. Consider the following statements:

1. Teesta River is a tributary of the Brahmaputra flowing through India and Bangladesh.
  2. South Lhonak Lake is situated in Himachal Pradesh.
- 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:

1. Rare earth metals constitute a group of 17 metallic elements, encompassing the 15 lanthanides found on the periodic table, along with scandium and yttrium.
2. India has the world's largest rare earth reserves but it only produces 1% of global output.

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. Regarding Make in India, consider the following statements:

1. The objective of the Initiative is to promote India as the most preferred global manufacturing destination.
2. The Make in India Center serves as a platform to showcase innovative products and manufacturing processes developed in India.
3. It is being led by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

94. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** El Nino is the warmer-than-normal phase of the El Nino Southern Oscillation (ENSO) phenomenon.

**Statement-II:** El Nino leads to a rise in temperatures, exacerbating heat waves and causing heat-related health issues.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I  
B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I  
C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect  
D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct



95. Consider the following pairs:

City	Country
1. Beirut	Iraq
2. Kerman	Iran
3. Mosul	Lebanon

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

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

96. Consider the following statements:

- India has introduced the strategic vision "Security and Growth for All in the Region" (SAGAR) for enhanced economic and security ties with maritime neighbors.
- SAGAR SAMPARK is an indigenous Differential Global Navigation Satellite System (DGNSS) that corrects errors in the Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) for improved positioning accuracy.

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

97. Regarding the Model Code of Conduct, consider the following statements:

- It is issued by the Election Commission of India (ECI) and serves as a set of guidelines for political parties and candidates, to supervise and ensure the conduct of free and fair elections.
- The MCC is operational from the date of nomination until the date of the result announcement.
- MCC is issued under the Representation of People's Act, 1950.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

98. Consider the following statements:

- Tax elasticity refers to the responsiveness of a tax base to changes in tax rates.
- Tax buoyancy refers to the responsiveness of tax revenue to changes in the overall economy.
- Laffer Curve demonstrates how tax rates and the money governments collect are connected, suggesting that lowering taxes can sometimes lead to higher overall tax income.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

99. Regarding Non-performing assets, consider the following statements:

- Gross non-performing assets are the sum of all the loans that have been defaulted by the individuals who have acquired loans from the financial institution.
- Net non-performing assets are the amount that is realized after the provision amount has been deducted from the gross non-performing assets.
- Debt is classified as non-performing when the loan payments have not been made for a minimum period of 180 days.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

100. Regarding Special Drawing Rights (SDR), consider the following statements:

- It is a non-interest-bearing international reserve asset created by the IMF to supplement other reserve assets of member countries.
- It is based on a basket of international currencies comprising the U.S. dollar, Japanese yen, euro, pound sterling, and Chinese Renminbi.
- The value of the SDR is set on a monthly basis by the IMF on the basis of fixed currency amounts of the currencies included in the SDR basket.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

101. Regarding India-Singapore relations, consider the following statements:

- The Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA) between India and Singapore was signed in 2005.
- India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) and Singapore's PayNow have been integrated to enable faster Remittances between the two countries.
- In 2023, India received the highest Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) from Singapore.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

102. Which of the following is NOT true about the Presidential System?

- A. The President is a member of both the legislature and the executive.
- B. The president is both the head of the State and the head of government.
- C. The president and his secretaries are not responsible to the legislature for their acts.
- D. The doctrine of separation of powers is the basis of the presidential system.

103. Regarding Bond Yield, consider the following statements:

- 1. A rise in interest rates would result in a decline in the bond price of existing bonds.
- 2. When yields rise and bond prices fall, net asset values of debt funds also decline.

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

104. Regarding Anti Defection law, consider the following statements:

- 1. A member incurs disqualification under it if he voluntarily gives up the membership of the political party on whose ticket he is elected to the House.
- 2. A member incurs disqualification if he votes or abstains from voting in the House contrary to any direction given by his political party.
- 3. A nominated member joining any political party within one month does not face disqualification under the law.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

105. Regarding the Speaker of Lok Sabha, consider the following statements:

- 1. He derives his powers and duties only from the Constitution of India.
- 2. He presides over a joint sitting of the two Houses of Parliament.
- 3. He decides the questions of disqualification of a member of the Lok Sabha, arising on the ground of defection under the provisions of the Tenth Schedule.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

106. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Health is enumerated as a state subject in the seventh schedule of the Indian Constitution.
- 2. The "Chennai Declaration" was to initiate efforts to formulate a national policy to control the rising trend of antimicrobial resistance (AMR).

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. Regarding the Telecommunication Act, 2023, consider the following statements:

- 1. Under it, entities have been mandated to carry out biometric authentication of their users as a measure to curb fraud.
- 2. It replaces the Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF) with 'Digital Bharat Nidhi' expanding its scope.
- 3. It empowers the Centre to take over control and management of telecommunication services and networks in the interest of national security only.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

108. Consider the following:

- 1. Majority Party Rule
- 2. Collective Responsibility
- 3. Leadership of the Prime Minister

Which of the above is a feature of a Parliamentary form of government?

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

109. Regarding the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act of 2003, consider the following statements:

- 1. It limits the fiscal deficit to 3% of the GDP.
- 2. The act requires the government to eliminate its revenue deficit.
- 3. It requires the government to present an annual fiscal responsibility statement to Parliament.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

110. Regarding the strait of Bab-el-Mandap, consider the following statements:

1. It is known as the Gate of Tears due to its challenging navigation.
2. It is the southern exit of the Red Sea.
3. It is located between Oman (Arabian Peninsula) and Djibouti and Eritrea (African coast).

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

111. Regarding the International Court of Justice, consider the following statements:

1. The Court typically addresses cases involving conflicts between States (contentious cases) and legal inquiries referred by UN organs and agencies (advisory proceedings).
2. Advisory proceedings before the Court are only open to five organs of the United Nations and 16 specialized agencies of the United Nations family or affiliated organizations.
3. Only the permanent members of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) have permanent representatives accredited to the Court.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

112. Regarding the Taiwan Strait, consider the following statements:

1. The strait is an arm of the Pacific Ocean.
2. It links the South China Sea with the East China Sea.
3. P'eng-hu Islands (Pescadores Islands) are located in the Taiwan Strait.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

113. Which of the following countries border Ethiopia:

1. Sudan
2. Eritrea
3. Djibouti
4. Somalia
5. Nigeria
6. South Sudan

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1,2 and 3 only  
B. 2,3 and 5 only  
C. 1,2,3,4 and 6 only  
D. 1,2,3,4, 5 and 6

114. Consider the following pairs:

Group	Country
1. Al-Shabaab	Yemen
2. Houthis	Iraq
3. Hezbollah	Lebanon

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

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

115. Regarding Global Carbon Project, consider the following statements:

1. The Global Carbon Project is a Global Research Project of Future Earth and a research partner of the World Climate Research Programme.
2. It had constituted the Earth Systems Science Partnership (ESSP) which subsequently evolved into Future Earth.

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 pairs:

River	Tributaries
1. Godavari	Pranahita
2. Cauvery	Bhima
3. Krishna	Shimsa

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

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

117. Regarding the Colombo Security Conclave, consider the following statements:

1. It was formed in 2011 as a trilateral maritime security grouping of India, Bangladesh, and Myanmar.
2. It emphasizes regional cooperation and shared security goals among the Indian Ocean littoral nations.
3. Mauritius has become the fourth member to join the conclave, while Maldives and Seychelles are observer countries.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

118. Consider the following pairs:

Initiative	Launched by
1. Global Civilisational Initiative	China
2. Global Security Initiative	United States
3. Global Development Initiative	France

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

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

119. Consider the following statements:

- Internal waters are waters on the landward side of the baseline from which the breadth of the territorial sea is measured.
- The territorial sea extends seaward up to 12 nautical miles (nm) from its baselines.
- Each coastal State may claim an Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) beyond and adjacent to its territorial sea that extends seaward up to 200 nm from its baselines.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

120. Consider the following pairs:

Term	Meaning
1. Unicorns:	Start-ups founded after the year 2000 with a valuation of \$1 billion
2. Decacorn:	Start-ups that could go Unicorn in the next five years
3. Gazelles:	Start-ups that are most likely to go Unicorn in the next three years

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

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

121. Consider the following statements:

- 'One China Policy' is the diplomatic acknowledgment of China's position that there is only one Chinese government.
- India does not have formal diplomatic ties with Taiwan yet, as it follows the One-China policy.

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

122. Annual Status of Education Report(ASER) is released by which of the following:

- A. Niti Aayog
- B. Pratham NGO
- C. Ministry of Education
- D. Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation

123. Consider the following:

**Statement-I:** Production Linked Incentive Scheme(PLI) is expected to enable the setting up of a widespread supplier base for the global champions established under the scheme.

**Statement-II:** The incentives given under the PLI scheme are calculated on the basis of incremental sales.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

124. Regarding the Green Credit Program, consider the following statements:

- The Green Credit Programme is a mechanism that complements the domestic Carbon Market.
- Green credits are not tradable and those earning it will be not able to put these credits up for sale on the proposed domestic market platform.

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. Regarding the National Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI), consider the following statements:

- It is based on three equally weighted dimensions – Health, Education, and Standard of living – which are represented by 12 indicators.
- It is a collaboration of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

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:

**Statement-I:** FAME India, integral to the National Electric Mobility Mission Plan, aims to promote electric vehicles through subsidy incentives.

**Statement-II:** The FAME India scheme covers Hybrid & Electric technologies like Mild Hybrid, Strong Hybrid, Plug-in Hybrid & Battery Electric Vehicles.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

127. Regarding the U.S.-India initiative on Critical and Emerging Technology (iCET) consider the following statements:

- 1. The iCET collaborates on quantum computing, semiconductors, 5G/6G infrastructure, and civilian space projects like lunar exploration.
- 2. The iCET process is being run by the National Security Councils of both countries.

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:

**Statement-I:** The Group of 77 (G-77) countries emerged in 1964 by signing a Joint Declaration at the first UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).

**Statement-II:** G-77 was established to enhance the economic prospects of developing nations and strengthen their capacity to engage in UN-level negotiations on global economic matters.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

129. Consider the following statements:

- 1. In 1963, independent African states established the Organization of African Unity to foster cooperation among them.

- 2. Lagos Plan of Action adopted by the Organization of African Unity proposed reducing dependence on the West through the promotion of intra-African trade.
- 3. The Organization of African Unity was succeeded by the African Union, which had as one of its goals to accelerate the "economic integration of the continent".

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

130. Consider the following statement:

**Statement-I:** Chabahar port enhances India's connectivity to Iran, a crucial entry point for the International North-South Transport Corridor, facilitating sea, rail, and road links between India, Iran, Russia, Central Asia, and Europe.

**Statement-II:** Chabahar Port provides India with an alternate trade route, diminishing dependence on Pakistan for access to Afghanistan and other regions.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

131. Consider the following:

- 1. The Essential Services Maintenance Act (ESMA), enacted in 1968, ensures the uninterrupted functioning of vital services crucial for the community's normal life.
- 2. The Essential Services Maintenance Act grants the government authority to regulate the production, distribution, and supply of specific essential commodities
- 3. The Essential Services Maintenance Act is listed in the State list of the seventh schedule.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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



132. Regarding India-Bangladesh relations, consider the following statements:

1. India shares the second longest land boundary with Bangladesh.
2. India has provided duty-free quota free access to Bangladesh on all tariff lines except tobacco and alcohol under the South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA) since 2011.
3. Bangladesh and India initiated a rupee-based trade transaction to diminish reliance on the US dollar and enhance regional currency and trade.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

133. Consider the following pairs:

Place	Country
1. Kashgar	China
2. Hairatan	Turkmenistan
3. Tashkent	Uzbekistan

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

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

134. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** POCSO Act came into effect in 2012 which was enacted in consequence to India's ratification of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in 1992.

**Statement-II:** The aim of the POSCO Act is to address offenses of sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children, which were either not specifically defined or adequately penalized.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

135. Regarding the National Sagarmala Apex Committee (NSAC), consider the following statements:

1. The National Sagarmala Apex Committee (NSAC) is the apex body providing policy directions and guidance for port-led development-Sagarmala projects and reviews its implementation.

2. It is headed by the Prime minister of India and all Chief Ministers of the coastal states are its members.

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

136. Consider the following statements:

1. The Information Technology (IT) Act, 2000, as amended from time to time, governs all activities related to the use of computer resources.
2. The IT Act, 2000, covers only intermediaries that are notified by the government.
3. The role of the intermediaries has been spelled out in separate rules framed for the purpose in 2011-The Information Technology (Intermediaries Guidelines) Rules, 2011.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

137. Regarding the International Criminal Court (ICC), consider the following statements:

1. It investigates and prosecutes individuals for grave international offenses such as genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity, and aggression.
2. Functioning as a final judicial authority, it aims to supplant domestic courts and operates under the international treaty known as the Rome Statute.
3. The Assembly of States Parties, comprising representatives of ratifying or acceding States to the Rome Statute, serves as the Court's governing and legislative body.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

138. Regarding Operation Prosperity, consider the following statements:

1. Operation Prosperity Guardian is launched by the U.S.
2. All the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) allies of the U.S are part of the operation.
3. Bahrain is the only West Asian nation to be a part of the operation.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

139. Consider the following pairs:

City	Country
1. Erbil	Yemen
2. Sanaa	Iraq
3. Srebrenica	Bosnia and Herzegovina

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

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

140. Regarding the National Logistics Policy(NLP), 2022, consider the following statements:

- 1. It addresses soft infrastructure, including process reforms, logistics service improvement, digitization, human resource development, and skilling.
- 2. It aims to cut logistics costs, boost India's Logistics Performance Index rank to the top 25 by 2030, and establish a data-driven decision support system for efficient logistics.

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. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Westerly disturbances (WD) refer to extratropical storm systems that develop over the Mediterranean region and move from west to east.
- 2. El Niño is a climatic phenomenon characterized by a periodic warming of sea surface temperatures in the Pacific Ocean, leading to wet conditions in Asia and altered thermal patterns globally.

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

142. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Bharatmala Pariyojana is an umbrella programme launched under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways.
- 2. Bharatmala focuses on enhanced effectiveness of already built infrastructure, multi-modal integration, bridging infrastructure gaps for seamless movement and integrating National and Economic Corridors.
- 3. The Bharatmala Phase-I, initially set to conclude by 2022, has been extended to 2027-28 due to a more than 100% rise in project costs.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

143. Regarding the Competition Commission of India, consider the following statements:

- 1. It is a statutory body responsible for enforcing the Competition Act, 2002.
- 2. The Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act, 1969 (MRTP Act) was repealed and replaced by the Competition Act, 2002, on the recommendations of the Raghavan committee.
- 3. The Commission consists of one Chairperson and six Members who are appointed by the collegium headed by the Minister of Commerce and Industry.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

144. Consider the following pairs:

Places	State/UTs
1. Auli	Himachal Pradesh
2. Gulmarg	Jammu and Kashmir
3. Kufri	Uttarakhand

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

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

145. Regarding the Bank for International Settlements, consider the following statements:

- 1. It is owned by 63 central banks, representing countries from around the world that together account for about 95% of world GDP.
- 2. It fosters cooperation among central banks with a common goal of financial stability and common standards of banking regulations.

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. Regarding Fergana Valley, consider the following statements:

1. It is enclosed by three mountain ranges: the western Tien Shan Mountains in the north, the Fergana Range in the east, and the Alai Mountains in the south.
2. The valley is shared by three countries: Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan.
3. It is home to a variety of ethnic groups, including Uzbeks, Tajiks, Kyrgyz, and Russians.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

147. Regarding Exchange-Traded Fund (ETF) consider the following statements:

1. It is a basket of securities that trade on an exchange, just like a stock.
2. It maintains price stability through once-daily post-market trading, unlike mutual funds subject to intraday price fluctuations from constant buying and selling.

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. Recently the term 'Project Nexus' was in the news. It is related to which of the following:

- A. A project for enhancing global real-time retail payments network connectivity
- B. A militant organisation active in West Asia
- C. A new cryptocurrency
- D. An Artificial Intelligence tool

149. Consider the following statements:

1. Fuel cells, unlike conventional electric vehicle batteries, continuously generate electricity without depleting or requiring recharging, relying on a steady supply of hydrogen.
2. A fuel cell, akin to traditional cells, comprises an anode, cathode, and electrolyte sandwich.
3. Hydrogen fuel cell electric vehicles excel by emitting only water vapor, offering zero tailpipe emissions and superior efficiency compared to internal combustion engine vehicles.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

150. Regarding the Abraham Accords, consider the following statements:

1. The United States brokered the initial Arab-Israeli peace agreement, involving Israel, the United Arab Emirates, and Kuwait.
2. Under it, the UAE and Kuwait will set up embassies, exchange ambassadors, and collaborate with Israel in various sectors such as tourism, trade, healthcare, and security.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

151. Consider the following pairs:

Ports	Country
1. Haifa	United Arab Emirates
2. Fujairah	Israel
3. Gwadar	Pakistan

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

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

152. Consider the following statements:

1. The establishment of the India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor (IMEC) was collectively endorsed by India, the United States, Germany, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Italy, and the European Union.
2. IMEC is designed as two corridors: one connecting India to the Arabian Gulf in the east and another linking the Arabian Gulf to Europe in the north.

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. Regarding the Suez Canal, consider the following statements:

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

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

154. Regarding the Telecommunications Act 2023, consider the following statements:

1. It seeks to repeal the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885, the Indian Wireless Telegraphy Act, 1933, and the Telegraph Wires (Unlawful Possession) Act, 1950.
2. Communication service providers like WhatsApp and Telegram and other over-the-top (OTT) services and apps are included in the definition of telecommunication services.
3. The amendment to the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) Act, 1997 allows individuals with at least 30 years of professional experience to qualify for the chairperson position.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

155. Regarding Post Office Bill 2023, consider the following statements:

1. The 2023 Post Office Bill aims to annul the 125-year-old Indian Post Office Act, 1898.
2. The Bill removes all penalties and offenses under the 1898 Act.
3. Private courier services are exempted from the ambit of the new act.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

156. Regarding the India Meteorological Department (IMD), consider the following statements:

1. It is an agency of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change in the Government of India, and oversees all meteorological and related matters in the country.
2. IMD collaborates with the United Nations for the 'Early Warning for All' program, involving 30 identified countries.
3. The Council On Energy, Environment, And Water (CEEW) is an arm of IMD for policy formulations.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

157. The term Satras recently seen in the news is best described as:

- A. Annual festival to celebrate the harvest of new crops in the Vedic period
- B. It acts as both monasteries and hubs for traditional performing arts for the Vaishnavism sect initiated by Sankaradeva.
- C. Land grants given by Ashoka to the Priests
- D. The devotees of the dancing girl in the Harappa period

158. Regarding Biomarkers, consider the following statements:

1. It serves as an indicator of a specific disease condition or another physiological state within an organism.
2. It refers to a substance introduced into an organism for the purpose of studying organ function or other aspects of health.
3. In the field of medicine, a biomarker serves as a quantifiable sign indicating the existence or degree of a particular disease condition.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

159. Regarding the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), consider the following statements:

1. The National Dairy Development Board, originally a society under the Societies Act 1860, merged with the Indian Dairy Corporation under the NDDB Act 1987.
2. It has been declared as an institution of national importance.

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

160. Consider the following statements:

1. 87th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2011 established the right to form cooperative societies as a fundamental right.
2. Part IXB, pertaining to Co-operative Societies applies exclusively to multi-state co-operative societies, as individual states retain legislative authority over state co-operative societies.

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. Rule of Law Index is released by which of the following:
- World Justice Project
  - World Bank
  - United Nations Development Programme
  - International Court of Justice

162. Regarding Subash Chandra Bose, consider the following statement:

- He established 'the Forward Bloc' to unite the political left and garner significant support in his home state of Bengal.
- His Jayanti is celebrated as 'Parakram Diwas' on 23rd January.
- Bose won the congress presidential elections at Haripura in 1926.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- Only One
- Only Two
- All Three
- None

163. Yeonpyeong Island and Baengnyeong Island belong to which of the following countries:

- South Korea
- North Korea
- Japan
- Indonesia

164. Regarding Ekasarana Dharma, consider the following statement:

- It is a spiritual tradition established by the 15th-16th Century saint-reformer Srimanta Sankaradeva.
- Batadrava holds profound significance as a sacred site for followers of Ekasarana Dharma.
- It was patronized by the Cholas.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

- Only One
- Only Two
- All Three
- None

165. Consider the following statement:

- The border between India and Myanmar runs for 1,643 km in the 4 states of Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland, and Arunachal Pradesh.
- The Free Movement Regime (FMR), established during British rule, permits residents on both sides of the India-Myanmar border to enter each other's territory up to 16 km without requiring a visa.
- Under the Free Movement Regime (FMR) they can cross over, on the production of a border pass with one-year validity, and can stay up to two weeks.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- Only One
- Only Two
- All Three
- None

166. Consider the following statements:

- The 2018 National Biofuels Policy aims for a 20% ethanol blend in petrol by the fiscal year 2025-26.
- Under the National Biofuel Policy, the export of Biofuel is completely prohibited.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

167. Consider the following statements:

- Food Corporation of India (FCI) was incorporated as Public Sector Undertaking, under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare.
- FCI holds surplus grain stocks beyond operational requirements, known as strategic stocks, which include buffer stocks.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

168. Consider the following statements:

- Revenue expenditures are expenditure that neither creates any assets nor reduces any liabilities.
- Capital expenditures are those which either create assets or reduce liabilities.
- Interest payments on debt incurred by the central government and grants given to the state government and local bodies come under capital expenditure.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- Only One
- Only Two
- All Three
- None

169. Consider the following statements:

- The National Strategic Plan (NSP) aims to eradicate TB in India by 2025 through bold and innovative measures.
- The WHO End TB Strategy aims to decrease TB deaths by 90%, reduce new cases by 80% (2015-2030), and prevent families from facing significant costs due to TB.
- Ending the TB epidemic by 2030 is among the health targets of the newly adopted Sustainable Development Goals.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

- Only One
- Only Two
- All Three
- None



170. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I** NITI Aayog in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI) developed the National Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) that offers a multi-dimensional perspective on poverty.

**Statement-II** The National MPI is a robust, and nuanced public policy tool that can be used to monitor multidimensional poverty at the national, state, and district levels in India.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

171. Regarding the Central Electricity Authority, consider the following statements:

- A. It is established under the Electricity Act, 2003.
- B. The functions and duties of CEA are delineated under the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1948.
- C. It shall consist of not more than fourteen Members of whom not more than eight shall be full-time Members to be appointed by the Central Government.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

172. Regarding Human Papillomavirus (HPV), consider the following statements:

- 1. Human papillomavirus (HPV) is a small, non-enveloped deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) virus that infects skin or mucosal cells.
- 2. Two of its variants contribute to around 70% of cervical cancers.
- 3. Vaccines against Human Papillomavirus (HPV) are yet to be developed.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

173. Regarding the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023 consider the following statements:

- 1. Under the act, "Board" means the Data Protection Board of India established by each state government.
- 2. A consent Manager is a Board-registered individual facilitating a Data Principal's accessible, transparent, and interoperable consent management, including giving, reviewing, and withdrawing consent.
- 3. A data fiduciary refers to an individual or group that, either independently or in collaboration with others, decides the purpose and methods of processing personal data.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

174. Consider the following pairs:

Place	Country
1. Erbil	Iraq
2. Libreville	Gabon
3. Isfahan	Afghanistan

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

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

175. Consider the following statements:

- 1. In the Golaknath case and Sajjan Singh case verdicts, the Supreme Court acknowledged Parliament's absolute authority to amend the Constitution.
- 2. In the Shankari Prasad case, the Supreme Court ruled that only a Constituent Assembly, not Parliament, had the authority to amend Fundamental Rights.
- 3. In the Kesavananda Bharati case, it was held that Parliament can amend the Constitution as long as it doesn't change its basic structure or essential features.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

176. Three Brotherhood Alliance recently seen in the news is best described as:

- A. An alliance between the Arakan Army, the Myanmar National Democratic Alliance Army, and the Ta'ang National Liberation Army
- B. An informal anti-Israeli coalition including Hezbollah, Houthis, and Hamas
- C. Recently formed Alliance between Pakistan, China, and Maldives
- D. None of the Above

177. Regarding the Design Linked Incentive Scheme for Semiconductors, consider the following statements:

1. It is part of the Ministry of Electronics and Information(MeitY's) comprehensive Program for the Development of Semiconductors and Display Manufacturing Ecosystems in the country.
2. Beneficiaries of the scheme must uphold domestic status, maintaining over 50% ownership by resident Indian citizens and/or Indian companies controlled by them, for three years after claiming incentives.

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

178. Consider the following statements:

1. As per Article 131 of the Constitution, the Supreme Court holds exclusive original jurisdiction over disputes between the central government and states.
2. The Constitution grants the state exclusive legislative authority over police and public order matters through Entries 1 and 2 in the State List under Article 246.

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

179. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** Operation Prosperity Guardian (OPG) is a U.S. Navy-led coalition ensuring safe international shipping in the Red Sea.

**Statement-II:** India and Greece will deploy warships in the Red Sea to bolster a US-led naval coalition countering Yemen's Houthi threats.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

180. The term 'Axis of Resistance' is often seen in the news in the context of:

- A. India-Pakistan
- B. Israel-Iran
- C. U.S-China
- D. Russia-Ukraine

181. Regarding the Telecommunication Act, 2023, consider the following statements:

1. It seeks to simplify the current licensing regime for telecom networks by moving towards an authorization system.
2. It allows the government to take back unutilized spectrum.

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

182. Food Price Index is released by which of the following:

- A. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- B. World Bank
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. International Monetary Fund

183. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** One Future Alliance is an alliance of nations that aims to collaboratively use technology for social, economic, and sustainable development, enhancing people's lives.

**Statement-II:** It seeks to build upon the open-source customizable stacks that are already available and encourage countries to innovate and customize these solutions for their specific needs.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

184. Regarding the Telecom Disputes Settlement and Appellate Tribunal (TDSAT), consider the following statements:

1. It has been established under the Telecom Disputes Settlement and Appellate Tribunal (TDSAT) Act, 2013 to address telecom-related disputes.
2. TDSAT's jurisdiction also includes cases previously under the Cyber Appellate Tribunal and the Airport Economic Regulatory Authority Appellate Tribunal.
3. The Tribunal has original and appellate jurisdiction over Telecom, Broadcasting, and Airport tariff matters, while it exclusively has appellate jurisdiction in Cyber matters.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

185. Consider the following statements:

1. India achieved the milestone of developing the three foundational Digital Public Infrastructure (DPIs) all of which are built on the Data Empowerment Protection Architecture (DEPA) through India Stack.
2. DEPA creates a digital framework that allows users to share their data on their own terms through a third-party entity, who are known as Consent Managers.

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

186. Consider the following statements:

1. The EU, United States, and India have collaboratively established the Trade and Technology Council (TTC) as a coordination platform to tackle trade, trusted technology, and security challenges.
2. Ministerial meetings of the TTC will occur annually, alternating between the EU, United States, and 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

187. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** The Wassenaar Arrangement aims to enhance regional and global security by fostering transparency, responsibility, and preventing destabilizing accumulations in the transfer of conventional arms and dual-use goods and technologies.

**Statement-II:** Participating States aim to prevent the transfer of items from contributing to the development or enhancement of military capabilities that undermine established goals and ensure they are not diverted for such purposes through national policies.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

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

1. It operates under the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) Act, 1997.
2. TRAI regulates telecom services but the fixation/revision of tariffs for telecom services is vested in the Central Government.

3. To maintain transparency the Chairperson of TRAI is appointed by a collegium headed by the Minister of Communications.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

189. Regarding the newly launched VAIBHAV Fellowship Program, consider the following statements:

1. It envisages collaboration between scientists of the Indian Diaspora with Indian Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs), Universities, and/ or publicly funded Scientific Institutions.
2. The VAIBHAV Fellow would identify an Indian Institution for collaboration and may spend up to two months in a year for a maximum of 3 years.
3. The Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, is implementing the VAIBHAV Fellowship Program.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

190. Regarding Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport, consider the following statements:

1. It connects India and Myanmar through the Bay of Bengal.
2. The project aims to boost economic development in the North-Eastern States of India while establishing a strategic link to alleviate pressure on the Siliguri Corridor.

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

191. Consider the following pairs:

Place	Country
1. Paletwa	Myanmar
2. Kyiv	Russia
3. Belgorod	Ukraine

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

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

192. Regarding the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA), consider the following statements:

1. It is mandated by the UN General Assembly to serve 'Palestine refugees' only.
2. It relies mainly on voluntary contributions from UN Member States, supplemented by a portion from the UN Regular Budget, primarily covering international staffing 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

193. Consider the following statements:

1. The Women's Indian Association (WIA) was the first national organization advocating for women's suffrage and addressing socio-economic challenges faced by women.
2. The Government of India Act 1919, granted provincial legislatures the authority to grant voting rights to women.
3. In 1921, Madras became the first province to grant women the right to vote, followed by Bombay and the United Provinces.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

194. Consider the following statements:

1. The American Constitution was the first to begin with a Preamble.
2. Dr.B.R. Ambedkar has called the Preamble as the 'identity card of the Constitution.'
3. The preamble to the Indian Constitution is based on the 'Objectives Resolution', drafted and moved by Pandit Nehru, on December 13, 1946.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

195. Regarding Sansad Ratna Awards, consider the following statements:

1. The Sansad Ratna Awards are given by the Government of India.
2. They seek to recognise and felicitate the top-performing MPs on the basis of their work in the apex legislative body.
3. The inaugural Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Lifetime Achievement Award was bestowed in 2023.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

196. Regarding the Private member bill, consider the following statements:

1. It is introduced by any member of Parliament other than a minister.
2. It can be introduced only in the Lok Sabha and not in the Rajya Sabha.
3. Its introduction in the House requires two month's notice.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

197. Consider the following statements:

1. The Remission system has been defined under the Prison Act, 1894.
2. Remission is a fundamental right under Article 21 of the Constitution.
3. Under the Indian Constitution, only the President of India has the power to grant remission to a convict.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

198. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** Hindu-Kush-Himalayan (HKH) Region is considered the Third Pole (after the North and South Poles) and has significant implications for climate.

**Statement-II:** It contains vast cryospheric zones and is also the world's largest store of snow and ice outside the polar region.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct



199. Regarding GST Council, consider the following statements:

1. It is a constitutional body responsible for making recommendations on issues related to the implementation of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) in India.
2. The members of the Council include the Union Finance Minister (chairperson), the Union Minister of State (Finance) from the Centre.
3. State is mandatorily to be represented by the Finance Minister of the state.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

200. The State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2023 Report is published by which of the following:

- A. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- B. World Bank
- C. International Monetary Fund
- D. Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)

201. Consider the following statements:

1. The Bangiya Nari Samaj was the first women's association in Bengal consciously to campaign for legislation on women's issues.
2. Kamini Roy, the first woman to graduate with honors in British India, was also a co-founder of The Bangiya Nari Samaj.

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

202. Regarding the Anaemia Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan(AMB), consider the following statements:

1. It was launched as part of the Intensified National Iron Plus Initiative (NIPI) Program for accelerating the annual rate of decline of anaemia from one to three percentage points.
2. The target groups for AMB are Children from 6 months to 9 years only.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

203. Consider the following statements:

1. Government of India Act, 1919 allowed provincial legislature to enfranchise women.
2. The Nehru Report prepared by an All Parties Conference in 1929 called for equal civic rights for all citizens.
3. In 1945-46, the All India Women's Conference(AIWC) adopted the Indian Woman's Charter of Rights and Duties.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

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

204. Regarding Pradhanmantri Suryodaya Yojana, consider the following statements:

1. It aims to provide electricity to low and middle-income individuals through solar rooftop installations, along with offering additional income for surplus electricity generation.
2. The initial target of the scheme is to install 10 crore rooftop solar plants by 2025.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

205. Regarding the Index of Industrial Production, consider the following statements:

1. It is compiled and published bi-monthly by the National Statistical Office (NSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.
2. The Base Year for IIP is 2011-2012.
3. The maximum weightage in IIP is of the coal sector.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

206. Consider the following statements:

1. The top three stock markets in the world are the U.S., China, and Japan.
2. India has overtaken Hong Kong to become the fourth-largest stock market.
3. India's economy has overtaken the United Kingdom's in terms of size, making it the fifth biggest.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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



207. Regarding Secularism, consider the following statements:

1. The Western concept of secularism connotes a complete separation between religion and the state.
2. The Indian constitution explicitly mentions the term secularism in part four of the constitution.
3. The Indian Constitution embodies the positive concept of secularism, i.e., giving equal respect to all religions or protecting all religions equally.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

208. Regarding the Nuclear Proliferation Treaty, consider the following statements:

1. It requires countries to give up any present or future plans to build nuclear weapons in return for access to peaceful uses of nuclear energy.
2. India, along with Pakistan, Israel, South Korea, and South Sudan, either abstained from signing or withdrew from the NPT.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

209. Regarding B.R. Ambedkar, consider the following events:

1. The Bahiskrit Bharat, newspaper was started to address the cause of the depressed classes.
2. He formed the Independent Labour Party to safeguard the interest of the depressed classes, which mostly formed the labour population.
3. He was appointed to the Executive Council of the Governor General of India as a Labour member.
4. He was appointed as a Minister of Law and Justice in Nehru's first cabinet.

Which of the following is the correct chronological sequence of the above events?

- A. 2-1-3-4
- B. 1-2-3-4
- C. 3-2-1-4
- D. 3-1-2-4

210. 'The Indian Economy: A Review', was recently released by which of the following:

- A. Finance Ministry
- B. Reserve Bank of India
- C. NITI Aayog
- D. World Bank

211. Regarding Dengue, consider the following statements:

1. Dengue, caused by the Flavivirus, is a tropical disease transmitted by Aedes mosquitoes, mainly Aedes aegypti.
2. This mosquito also transmits chikungunya, yellow fever and Zika infection.
3. Researchers from the World Mosquito Program have used mosquitoes infected with Wolbachia bacteria to successfully control dengue in Indonesia.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

212. Consider the following statements:

**Statement-I:** Vote on account is an advance grant for part of the fiscal year's estimated expenditure, awaiting approval through demands for grants and the appropriation bill.

**Statement-II:** The government cannot withdraw money from the Consolidated Fund of India till the enactment of the appropriation bill.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct

213. World Investment Report is released by which of the following:

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

214. Consider the following statements:

1. The fiscal deficit is reflective of the total borrowing requirements of the Government.
2. A greater fiscal deficit implies increased government borrowing, leading to a decline in interest rates within the economy.
3. India has been consistently meeting the mandate of the Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act, 2003, which limits the fiscal deficit to 3% of GDP.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

215. Consider the following statements:

1. Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Urvarak Pariyojana (PMBJP), was launched in 2022 by the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.
2. Under this scheme, all fertilizer manufacturers under the fertilizer subsidy scheme are required to use a single brand and logo for fertilizers.
3. The scheme aims to standardize fertilizer brands nationwide, clarify farmer confusion, lower costs, boost availability, and save freight subsidy by minimizing cross-country fertilizer movement.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

216. Regarding the International Court of Justice (ICJ), consider the following statements:

1. It is a body composed of 15 elected independent judges.
2. The term of office of the judges is five years.
3. In order to ensure a certain measure of institutional continuity, one-third of the Court, i.e., five judges, is elected every three years.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

217. Regarding Extended Fund Facility (EFF), consider the following statements:

1. EFF offers financial aid to nations with medium-term balance of payments issues due to structural weaknesses.
2. Advanced countries solely depend on EFF, while low-income nations solely rely on Extended Credit Facility (ECF) for external financing.

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

218. Consider the following acts:

1. The Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA)
2. The Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (FEMA)
3. The Fugitive Economic Offenders Act, 2018 (FEOA)

Which of the acts given above come under the ambit of the Directorate of Enforcement?

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

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

1. It allows beneficiaries to freely select their dealer, offering instant switching in case of misallocation or foul play.
2. National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA) beneficiaries, including migrants, can effortlessly claim full or partial foodgrains nationwide from any Fair Price Shop using their existing ration card and biometric/Aadhaar authentication
3. The government has also rolled out the 'MERA RATION' mobile application to take maximum advantage of the ONORC plan.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

220. Shumang Leela, which was recently seen in the news is best described as

- A. A traditional form of the theatre of Manipur  
B. A recently discovered species of Mango  
C. Award winning Republic Day Tableau of Kerala  
D. None

## Answers

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| 1. (c)   | 2. (d)   | 3. (c)   | 4. (a)   | 5. (b)   | 6. (b)   | 7. (a)   | 8. (a)   | 9. (c)   | 10. (d)  |
| 11. (d)  | 12. (b)  | 13. (a)  | 14. (a)  | 15. (d)  | 16. (c)  | 17. (b)  | 18. (b)  | 19. (a)  | 20. (b)  |
| 21. (a)  | 22. (a)  | 23. (a)  | 24. (b)  | 25. (a)  | 26. (b)  | 27. (a)  | 28. (d)  | 29. (b)  | 30. (c)  |
| 31. (b)  | 32. (a)  | 33. (a)  | 34. (d)  | 35. (b)  | 36. (a)  | 37. (c)  | 38. (a)  | 39. (c)  | 40. (b)  |
| 41. (a)  | 42. (b)  | 43. (a)  | 44. (d)  | 45. (b)  | 46. (b)  | 47. (b)  | 48. (d)  | 49. (b)  | 50. (b)  |
| 51. (a)  | 52. (b)  | 53. (a)  | 54. (d)  | 55. (a)  | 56. (b)  | 57. (b)  | 58. (b)  | 59. (d)  | 60. (a)  |
| 61. (c)  | 62. (c)  | 63. (b)  | 64. (a)  | 65. (a)  | 66. (b)  | 67. (c)  | 68. (d)  | 69. (b)  | 70. (d)  |
| 71. (a)  | 72. (a)  | 73. (b)  | 74. (a)  | 75. (c)  | 76. (b)  | 77. (c)  | 78. (d)  | 79. (c)  | 80. (b)  |
| 81. (b)  | 82. (b)  | 83. (c)  | 84. (a)  | 85. (b)  | 86. (a)  | 87. (a)  | 88. (b)  | 89. (a)  | 90. (b)  |
| 91. (a)  | 92. (a)  | 93. (c)  | 94. (a)  | 95. (b)  | 96. (c)  | 97. (a)  | 98. (c)  | 99. (b)  | 100. (a) |
| 101. (b) | 102. (a) | 103. (d) | 104. (b) | 105. (b) | 106. (c) | 107. (a) | 108. (d) | 109. (c) | 110. (a) |
| 111. (b) | 112. (d) | 113. (c) | 114. (b) | 115. (c) | 116. (a) | 117. (a) | 118. (a) | 119. (c) | 120. (b) |
| 121. (d) | 122. (b) | 123. (b) | 124. (a) | 125. (a) | 126. (b) | 127. (c) | 128. (a) | 129. (c) | 130. (a) |
| 131. (b) | 132. (b) | 133. (b) | 134. (a) | 135. (b) | 136. (b) | 137. (b) | 138. (b) | 139. (a) | 140. (c) |
| 141. (a) | 142. (a) | 143. (b) | 144. (a) | 145. (d) | 146. (c) | 147. (a) | 148. (a) | 149. (c) | 150. (d) |
| 151. (a) | 152. (d) | 153. (b) | 154. (b) | 155. (a) | 156. (b) | 157. (b) | 158. (c) | 159. (d) | 160. (b) |
| 161. (a) | 162. (b) | 163. (a) | 164. (a) | 165. (b) | 166. (a) | 167. (b) | 168. (b) | 169. (d) | 170. (a) |
| 171. (a) | 172. (a) | 173. (c) | 174. (b) | 175. (a) | 176. (a) | 177. (c) | 178. (d) | 179. (c) | 180. (b) |
| 181. (c) | 182. (a) | 183. (a) | 184. (a) | 185. (c) | 186. (d) | 187. (a) | 188. (a) | 189. (b) | 190. (c) |
| 191. (a) | 192. (b) | 193. (c) | 194. (b) | 195. (a) | 196. (b) | 197. (b) | 198. (a) | 199. (b) | 200. (a) |
| 201. (c) | 202. (a) | 203. (d) | 204. (a) | 205. (a) | 206. (c) | 207. (b) | 208. (a) | 209. (b) | 210. (a) |
| 211. (c) | 212. (a) | 213. (b) | 214. (a) | 215. (c) | 216. (b) | 217. (a) | 218. (d) | 219. (c) | 220. (a) |