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

1. The IMF was conceived at a UN conference in Bretton Woods in New Hampshire, United States.
2. Countries are not eligible for membership of the IMF unless they are members of the World Bank.
3. Any state, whether or not a member of the United Nations, may become a member of the IMF.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

2. Which of the following is correct regarding the Speaker of Parliament?

- (a) Article 95 of the Constitution provides for the election of both the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker.
- (b) The institutions of Speaker originated in India under the provisions of the Government of India Act 1935.
- (c) S/He is not the constitutional head of the House.
- (d) In matters regarding interpretation of the provisions of the Constitution of India, the rulings of the Speaker are binding in nature within the House.

3. Consider the following statements regarding Balance of Payments (BoP):

1. BoP can be defined as a systematic statement of all economic transactions of a country with the rest of the world for usually one year.
2. Although it reveals the financial status of a country, it cannot be used as an indicator to determine the appreciation/depreciation of a country's currency value.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

4. Consider the following statements:

1. The Enforcement Directorate (ED) is a specialized financial investigation agency under the Ministry of Finance.
2. The ED was initially formed under the Department of Economic Affairs for handling violations under Foreign Exchange Regulation Act, 1947.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

5. Which of the following will be designated as a 'a Person Resident in India' as per the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999?

1. A person residing in India for not less than 273 days during the course of the preceding financial year.
2. A corporate body registered in India.
3. A branch in India owned or controlled by a person resident outside India.
4. A branch outside India owned or controlled by a person resident in India.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

6. With reference to Urban Local Government (ULG), consider the following statements:

1. The 74th Amendment Act pertaining to ULG was passed during the regime of P.V. Narsimha Rao's government in 1992.
2. Notified Area Committee, Town Area Committee and Cantonment Boards are classified as ULGs in India.
3. At the Central level, the subject of ULG is dealt with by the Ministries of Housing & Urban Affairs and Home Affairs only.

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

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

7. Which of the following are categorised as non-bailable offences in India?

1. Dowry death
2. Payment of bribe during elections
3. Fabrication of false evidence
4. Counterfeiting of Indian currency

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

8. In India, the Section 41 of Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC) is associated with which of the following?

- (a) Cognizance of offences by Magistrates
- (b) Protection against prosecution for acts done under preceding sections
- (c) Special Judicial Magistrates
- (d) Arrest of persons without warrant

9. Consider the following statements regarding the Line of Actual Control (LAC) between India and China:

1. It was designated in 1972, following the Shimla Agreement between the two countries.
2. India considers the length of LAC to be longer than what China does.
3. Along the LAC, the patrolling points are decided by the Ministry of Defence.

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. Which of the following statements is not correct regarding the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)?

- (a) It functions under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- (b) CBI can suo-moto take up investigation of offences only in the Union Territories.
- (c) It coordinates investigation on behalf of Interpol Member countries.
- (d) CBI derives power to investigate from the Delhi Special Police Establishment Act, 1946.

11. Which of the following is/are the consequences of a high rate of NPA on banks?

1. Decline in net interest margin
2. Rise in operational cost

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

12. Consider the following statements:
1. The Financial Stability Report is published annually by the RBI to discuss development issues related to the financial sector.
 2. The Financial Stability and Development Council is headed by the Governor of RBI.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
13. Transnistria was recently in the news. Is it a region related to the conflict between which of the two countries?
- (a) Ethiopia – Eritrea (b) Russia – Ukraine
(c) Poland – Belarus (d) Ethiopia – Sudan
14. Which of the following was the first state in India to eliminate mortality from smallpox and Polio?
- (a) Karnataka (b) Kerala
(c) Gujarat (d) Tamil Nadu
15. Which of the following countries shares its boundaries with Israel?
1. Lebanon
 2. Syria
 3. Egypt
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
16. Which of the following countries is not a part of I2U2 Grouping?
- (a) India (b) UAE
(c) Israel (d) United Kingdom
17. Which of the following statements is/are not correct regarding the NITI Aayog?
1. It serves in the spirit of Cooperative Federalism.
 2. It has the power to allocate funds to ministries and state governments.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
18. Barak Valley, recently in the news, is located in which of the following States?
- (a) Arunachal Pradesh (b) Uttarakhand
(c) Assam (d) Bihar
19. Which of the following is correct regarding Shreya Singhal vs Union of India, 2015 case?
- (a) It led to the introduction of Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021.
 - (b) The Supreme Court after this case struck down Section 66A of the Information Technology Act, 2000 as a violation of free speech.
 - (c) After this case, legal recognition was given to the transactions through electronic communication, also known as e-commerce.
 - (d) None of the above.
20. "Whoever, with deliberate and malicious intention of outraging the religious feelings of any class, either spoken or written, or by signs, insults or attempts to insult the religion or the religious beliefs of that class, shall be punished with imprisonment or with fine, or both." The above-mentioned provision is related to which of the following sections of India Penal Code (IPC)?
- (a) Section 295-A (b) Sections 505(1)
(c) Section 153-A (d) Section 298-C
21. Which of the following is correct regarding the jurisdiction of Supreme Court of India?
- (a) Article 131 empowers the SC with 'exclusive original jurisdiction' to resolve disputes between the Centre and the state/s.
 - (b) The original jurisdiction of the Supreme Court does not extend to a dispute arising out of any pre-Constitution treaty.
 - (c) The Supreme Court is empowered to issue writs, and in this regard, an aggrieved citizen can go directly to the Supreme Court, not necessarily by way of appeal.
 - (d) All are correct.
22. The doctrine of 'Unconstitutional State of Affairs' allows the Constitutional (Supreme) Courts to acknowledge the systemic violation of fundamental rights. It originated in which of the following countries?
- (a) Brazil (b) Sweden
(c) Colombia (d) South Africa
23. Consider the following statements regarding Secularism:
1. The word 'secular' was not found in the original text of the Indian Constitution, rather inserted through an Amendment.
 2. The Indian concept of secularism envisages complete separation of religion and state; neither the state nor the religion shall intervene in each other's affairs.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
24. Restriction on Freedom of Press can be imposed under which of the following conditions?
1. If it affects India's friendly relations with foreign States
 2. If it leads to contempt of the Indian Constitution.
 3. If it leads to the disrespect of the Court.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
25. Which of the following amendments was not made to the Indian Constitution through the Twenty Fourth Amendment Act, 1971?
- (a) It affirmed the power of Parliament to amend any part of the Constitution including fundamental rights.
 - (b) It made compulsory for the President to give his assent to a Constitutional Amendment Bill.
 - (c) It provided that any law made to give effect to the DPSP (Article 39) cannot be challenged on the ground of violation of the rights guaranteed by Articles 14, 19 and 31.
 - (d) None of the above

26. With reference to political system of India and United Kingdom, consider the following statements:
1. Prime Minister of both nations has to be appointed from the Lower House.
 2. Both Nations have a presence of Cabinet system.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
27. Nationally Determined Contributions Synthesis Report, recently in the news, is related to which of the following?
- (a) United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
 - (b) United Nations Development Programme
 - (c) United Nations Human Settlements Programme
 - (d) United Nations Population Fund
28. Consider the following statements with reference to the relations between India – South Korea:
1. The two countries have signed Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA).
 2. In the past five years, there has been active engagement by both the countries in the US led multilateral security initiatives.
 3. Sahyog-Hyeoblyeog is an initiative of India and South Korea to facilitate investment from Korea which provides guidance, assistance and handholding of investors.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 3 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
29. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Article 53 of the Indian Constitution:
1. It says that the executive power of the Union shall be exercised directly the President in accordance with the Indian Constitution.
 2. It says that the supreme command of the Defence Forces of the Union shall be vested in the President of India.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
30. First, the difficulties in its rollout, and later the sanctions imposed by the UK and the US on Russia have hindered the use and distribution of the Sputnik V vaccine. For all practical purposes, an individual vaccinated with Sputnik V is regarded unvaccinated. This had restricted lakhs of Indians from visiting these two countries. In such a condition, the fundamental rights provided under which of the following articles of Indian constitution have been violated?
1. Article 15
 2. Article 19
 3. Article 21
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 2 only (d) 3 only
31. Consider the following statements:
1. A point of similarity in the Wholesale Price Index (WPI) and the Consumer Price Index (CPI) is that they both are released by the National Statistical Office (NSO).
 2. 2011-12 is taken as the base year to calculate all-India WPI.
- 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. With reference to Indian National Emblem, consider the following statements:
1. It was adopted on 26th January 1950.
 2. Animals demonstrated on the pillar are bull, elephant, deer and lion.
- 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. Consider the following statements regarding the James Webb Telescope:
1. It is a large infrared telescope.
 2. Webb is an international collaboration between NASA and ISRO.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
34. Consider the following statements regarding India's status in the Global Gender Gap Index 2022:
1. India's overall score has improved.
 2. Out of the four dimensions that the index takes into account; India has performed its best in gender parity in terms of political empowerment.
 3. Globally, Iran, Pakistan and Afghanistan are the only three countries that have performed worse than India in terms of women's economic participation.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
35. The UNESCAP Incheon Strategy is related to which of the following?
- (a) Inclusion and empowerment of persons with disabilities.
 - (b) Resource mobilization in countries in special situations.
 - (c) Localizing the 2030 Agenda in Asian & Pacific cities.
 - (d) Improving Asia-Pacific's readiness to produce and deliver vaccines.
36. Consider the following statements:
1. As per the UN Principles for People with Disabilities (PwDs), a person with disability has the right to free legal assistance.
 2. An underlying issue with India's Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 is that it is not in line with the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

37. SLINEX, a naval exercise is related to which of the following countries?
- United Kingdom and Ireland
 - India and Maldives
 - India and Sri Lanka
 - China and North Korea
38. With regard to Parliament of India, consider the following statements:
- It is not a sovereign body.
 - The Council of ministers at the centre is responsible to Lok Sabha individually and collectively.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
39. Which of the following is most appropriate explanation of Guillotine Closure Motion in Parliament of India?
- The member moves that the matter having been sufficiently discussed be now put to vote.
 - The clauses of a bill or a lengthy resolution are grouped into parts before the commencement of the debate.
 - Only important clauses are taken up for debate and voting.
 - The undiscussed clauses of a resolution are also put to vote along with the discussed ones.
40. With respect to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO), consider the following statements:
- It is a military alliance established to provide collective security against the Soviet Union.
 - With an integrated military command structure, it has very few forces or assets that are exclusively its own.
 - NATO's protection does not extend to members' civil wars or internal coups.
- Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
41. Which of the following statements is not correct regarding Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)?
- Regional web content is not always accessible from everywhere.
 - VPNs function like comprehensive anti-virus software.
 - Unencrypted data can be viewed by anyone who has network access.
 - While using a VPN connection one can switch a server to another country and effectively change location.
42. Regarding Goods and Services Tax (GST), consider the following statements:
- It is essentially a consumption tax and is levied at the final consumption point.
 - It is one of the biggest indirect tax reforms in the country.
- Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
43. Consider the following statements:
- Current Account measures the flow of goods, services, and investments into and out of the country.
 - It is a component of a country's Balance of Payments (BOP).
 - As per the Economic Survey 2021-22, India reported a current account deficit.
- Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?
- 1 only
 - 3 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
44. Consider the following statements:
- Each genome contains all the information needed to build and maintain that organism.
 - Through genome sequencing, researchers and clinicians can easily detect diseases related to a genetic disorder.
 - CRISPR/Cas9 has also been seen to create potential genome editing treatments for diseases such as HIV, cancer etc.
- Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?
- 1 only
 - 3 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
45. With regard to the Presidential Election in India, consider the following statements:
- The electoral college for election is made up of all the elected and nominated members of the Parliament only.
 - Qualifications for election as President are enshrined in Article 55 of the Indian Constitution.
- Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
46. Youth in India 2022 report is released by which of the following ministries?
- Ministry of Education (MoE)
 - Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
 - Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI)
 - Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
47. Which of the following is not the correct basic dimension of the Human Development Index?
- A long and healthy life.
 - Access to knowledge.
 - A decent standard of living.
 - Access to Public Transport
48. Which of the following statements is correct regarding the Office of Vice-President of India?
- The Vice President is the third highest constitutional office in India after the President and the Prime Minister.
 - The resolution to remove the Vice President from his/ her office, can be passed only by the Lok Sabha.
 - For the election of the Vice President, the value of the vote of each Member of Parliament is same i.e., one.
 - None of the above.

49. Consider the following statements:

1. China is the world's largest producer and consumer of refined copper.
2. In the last four years (2016-17 to 2020-21), India has performed quite well in terms of producing refined copper and has shifted from its net importer to net exporter.

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. The provision for the appointment of the Chief Justice of India by the President is provided under which of the following constitutional provisions?

- (a) Article 78 (b) Article 112
(c) Article 118 (d) Article 124

51. Which of the following schemes launched by the Government of India involve the transfer of funds through the Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) Scheme?

1. PM KISAN
2. Swachh Bharat Mission Gramin
3. National AYUSH Mission

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

52. With reference to Sessions of Parliament, consider the following statements:

1. Speaker of Lok Sabha summons the session of Parliament.
2. Joint Session of Parliament is presided over by the Speaker, and in his/her absence, by the Chairman of Rajya Sabha.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

53. Which of the following is not correct regarding Monkeypox Disease?

1. It is not a zoonotic disease.
2. Animals known to be sources of Monkeypox virus include rodents and rabbits.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

54. Consider the following statements:

1. The word Bail is not defined in the Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC) in India.
2. The CrPC empowers magistrates to grant bail for bailable offences as a matter of right.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

55. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Dam Safety Act 2021?

1. Under this act, both the Committee on Dam Safety and Dam Safety Authority will be established at both Central and State Levels.

2. The National Committee on Dam Safety to be constituted under this act, will be chaired by the Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

56. Which of the following is not correct regarding Heat Waves?

- (a) It occurs during the summer season in the North-Western and South-Central parts of India.
- (b) An increase of at least 10°C or more from the normal temperature is considered a severe heat wave condition.
- (c) Heatwaves are linked to an increase in diseases like diabetes.
- (d) A heat wave is declared when the actual maximum temperature remains 45°C or more, irrespective of normal maximum temperature.

57. Which of the following is/are correct regarding Drip Irrigation?

1. It can be practiced for a large variety of crops; vegetables, orchard crops, flowers and plantation crops.
2. Field leveling is not necessary for drip irrigation.
3. Soil erosion and weed growth is lessened in this type of irrigation.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

58. With respect to the Registrar General of India, consider the following statements:

1. The RGI comes under the Ministry of Finance.
2. The position of Registrar is usually held by a civil servant holding the rank of Joint Secretary.

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

59. Consider the following statements:

1. The World Population Prospects are published by the Population Division of the United Nations.
2. According to the WPP 2022, the global population is expected to grow to around 8.5 billion in 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

60. Consider the following statements regarding the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA):

1. It assigns absolute power to the central government to declare an activity unlawful, if it deems so.
2. The penalty under the act will be applicable to the offenders in the same manner, even if crime is committed on a foreign land, outside India.
3. Till 2004, "unlawful" activities referred to actions related to secession and cession of territory but not terrorism.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

61. Which of the following is not correct regarding the National Investigation Agency (NIA)?
- It is empowered to deal with the investigation of terror related crimes across states without their special permission.
 - The jurisdiction of NIA extends to any person who has committed a scheduled offence beyond India, affecting its interests.
 - Under Section 6 of the NIA Act 2008, State governments can directly refer the cases pertaining to the scheduled offences for NIA investigation.
 - For prosecuting an accused under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 (UAPA), the NIA seeks the sanction of the Central Government.
62. Consider the following statements:
- Left Wing Extremism originated in India as a rebellion against local landlords.
 - The movement of Naxalism is prevalent in eastern India; Odisha and Andhra Pradesh.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
63. Which of the following countries has recently re-written its constitution?
- Burkina Faso
 - Chile
 - South Sudan
 - Eritrea
64. Consider the following statements:
- Chile is India's largest trading partner in the Latin American region.
 - India and Chile have signed a Preferential Trade Agreement.
 - India and Chile are partners in the International Solar Alliance.
- Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
65. Recently, the Government of India has re-constituted the Central Advisory Board on Archaeology (CABA). Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the re-constituted CABA?
- It will include former Director-Generals of ASI.
 - The provision for the Archaeological Survey of India collaborating with related Indian Universities for Archaeological Research has been removed.
 - The board will be meeting only once a year.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
66. Consider the following pairs:
- | Historical Sites | Location |
|----------------------------|----------------|
| 1. Rock-cut sanctuaries | Barabar, Bihar |
| 2. Pattadakal's temples | Andhra Pradesh |
| 3. Viramgam's Munsar Talav | Tamil Nadu |
| 4. Bara Imambara | Lucknow |
- How many pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- Only one pair
 - Only two pairs
 - Only three pairs
 - All the four pairs
67. Which of the following is not the pillar of Zero Budget Natural Farming?
- Jeevamrutha
 - Bijamrita
 - Acchadana
 - Neeravra
68. With reference to the Parliamentary System in India, consider the following statements:
- Cut motion is used to oppose any demand in the financial bill brought by the government.
 - Parliament can reject the budget proposal brought by the Cabinet.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
69. Under which article of Indian Constitution, Election Commission is vested with the Power to supervise and conduct free and fair elections to the Parliament and State Legislatures?
- Article 323
 - Article 324
 - Article 325
 - Article 326
70. Consider the following statements regarding Maternal Mortality:
- Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) is the number of maternal deaths during a given time per one lakh live births during the same time.
 - As per the Registrar General of India's latest Sample Registration System (SRS) (2017-19), India has been witnessing a progressive reduction in MMR.
 - Among the state specific findings, Kerala has the lowest MMR and is way ahead of India's average MMR.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 and 2 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
71. FRESH, an acronym for Focusing Resources on Effective School Health, is a collaborative initiative of which of the following organisations?
- UNICEF
 - World Health Organisation
 - International Monetary Fund
 - UNESCO
 - World Bank
 - United Nations Development Programme
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1, 2, 4 and 5
 - 3, 4, 5 and 6
 - 1, 2, 4 and 6
 - 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6
72. Consider the following statements regarding the relations between India and Vietnam:
- Defence cooperation has been one of the most significant pillars of the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership initiated by the two countries in 2016.
 - Trade and economic relations have significantly improved over the years.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2

73. Which of the following is/are not a part of Mendel's law of Inheritance?
1. Law of Dominance
 2. Law of Segregation
 3. Law of Endotherms
 4. Law of Eugenics
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
74. Special Drawing Rights is related to which of the following institutions?
- (a) European Bank for Reconstruction & Development
 - (b) International Monetary Fund
 - (c) World Bank
 - (d) International Finance Corporation.
75. With reference to High Court in India, consider the following statements:
1. The number of judges in a High Court is decided by the Supreme Court of India.
 2. The writ jurisdiction of the High Court is wider than that of the Supreme Court.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
76. Consider the following statements regarding Presidential Election in India:
4. The President of India is elected through an electoral college system.
 5. The elections are conducted by the Election Commission (EC) of India.
 6. The electoral college is made up of all the elected members of the Upper and Lower Houses of Parliament (Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha MPs), and the elected Members of the Legislative Assemblies of States and Union Territories (MLAs).
- 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
77. Consider the following statements regarding Pegasus?
1. Pegasus is a type of malicious software or malware classified as a spyware.
 2. It is designed to gain access to devices, without the knowledge of users.
 3. It has been developed by the Israeli firm NSO Group that was set up in 2010.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
78. Consider the following statements regarding CERT-IN?
1. It is an organisation of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
 2. The team maintains database regarding all the cybersecurity threats that can be utilized when needed. However, it is not actually responsible for securing Indian Cyberspace
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
79. Consider the following statements regarding International Monetary Fund?
1. It is an organization of 190 member countries. India is a founder member of the IMF.
 2. Providing loans and concessional financial assistance to member countries experiencing actual or potential balance-of-payments problems is a core responsibility of the IMF.
 3. World Economic Outlook is published by IMF annually.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
80. Consider the following statements regarding Minimum Support Price (MSP):
1. The MSP is the rate at which the government purchases crops from farmers.
 2. It is based on a calculation of at least one-and-a-half times the cost of production incurred by the farmers.
 3. The Shanta Kumar Committee, in its report in 2015, stated that only 6% of the MSP could be received by the farmers.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
81. Consider the following statements regarding PM Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana:
1. It is a Central Sector Scheme with 100% funding from the Government of India.
 2. It is being implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.
 3. Under this scheme, PM-KISAN mobile app was developed and designed by the National Informatics Centre.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
82. Which of the following best defines National Company Law Tribunal?
- (a) Quasi-Judicial body
 - (b) Constitutional body
 - (c) Non-constitutional body
 - (d) None of the above
83. Consider the following statements regarding the Consumer Price Index:
1. It calculates the difference in the prices of commodities and services from the perspective of a retail buyer.
 2. CPI (Rural/Urban/Combined) is compiled by the Labour Bureau in the Ministry of Labour and Employment.
 3. It is released by the National Statistical Office (NSO).
- 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

84. Consider the following statements regarding Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER):

1. It is the weighted average of a country's currency in relation to an index or basket of other major currencies.
2. It is an indicator of the international competitiveness of a nation in comparison with its trade partners.
3. It doesn't take into account the domestic inflation in the various economies.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

85. Sarna tribe, recently in the news for the demand of a separate religious code, belongs to which of the following states?

- (a) West Bengal (b) Odisha
(c) Jharkhand (d) Gujarat

86. Consider the following statements regarding Swachh Sagar, Surakshit Sagar campaign:

1. It is a cleanliness campaign along India's entire coastline.
2. It is an initiative to celebrate International Coastal Clean Up Day along with other voluntary organisations.
3. A mobile app "Eco Mitram" has been launched to spread awareness about the campaign and for voluntary registration for the beach cleaning activity.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

87. Consider the following statements regarding United Nations Ocean Conference 2022:

1. It was held to ensure global cooperation towards protection and sustenance of the Ocean ecosystem of the world.
2. The conference was co-hosted by the Governments of Kenya and Portugal.
3. The conference was aligned to the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 6 'clean water and sanitation'.

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

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

88. Consider the following statements regarding Scheduled Tribes in the Constitution of India:

1. The term 'Scheduled Tribes' was inserted in the Constitution through Article 342 (i).
2. The sixth Schedule of the Constitution provides for the setting up of a Tribes' Advisory Council in each of the States having Scheduled Areas.
3. Article 337 provides for the reservation of seats for STs in State Legislatures.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

89. Consider the following statements regarding the Powers of Rajya Sabha:

1. It can authorize the Parliament to create new All-India Services common to both the Centre and the states (Article 312).
2. It can approve proclamations under Articles 352, 356 and 360 if Lok Sabha stands dissolved.
3. A no confidence motion can be introduced in the Rajya Sabha.

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

90. With reference to the Council of States in India, consider the following statements:

1. The resolution for the removal of the Vice-president can be introduced only in the Council of States.
2. A person who is neither a resident nor a domicile of a state cannot contest the elections of Council of States from that state.

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

91. With reference to the National Company Law Tribunal, consider the following statements:

1. It is a quasi-judicial body.
2. It was constituted on the recommendation of the Justice Verma committee.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

92. Consider the following statements regarding 12th Ministerial Conference (MC12) of WTO?

1. It was agreed to exempt food purchased by the UN's World Food Programme (WFP) for humanitarian purposes from any export restrictions.
2. Harmful subsidies would be curbed on illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing for the next four years.
3. WTO members agreed to temporarily waive intellectual property patents on Covid-19 vaccines without the consent of the patent holder for 5 years.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

93. Consider the following statements regarding Polavaram Irrigation Project:

1. It is located in Andhra Pradesh on the river Krishna.
2. It will facilitate an inter-basin transfer to the Godavari river basin through its Right canal.
3. The Project has been accorded national project status by the union government under Andhra Pradesh Reorganization Act, 2014.

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

94. Consider the following statements regarding Mission Poshan 2.0:
1. It is an Integrated Nutrition Support Programme.
 2. Under Poshan 2.0, "Poshan Tracker" has been rolled out by Ministry of Women & Child Development.
 3. The Poshan Tracker will bring about transparency in nutrition delivery support systems.
- 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
95. Consider the following statements regarding National Mobile Monitoring Software (NMMS) for MGNREGA workers:
1. It is an app to record attendance of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA) workers at worksites.
 2. The app will record two timestamped and geotagged Photographs of the workers in a day.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
96. With reference to the Vice President of India, consider the following statements:
1. The Vice President may resign his office by submitting his resignation to the deputy chairman of Rajya Sabha.
 2. The Electoral College for Vice President consists of elected members of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha 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
97. Parliament is allowed to create an All-India Services if the Rajya Sabha passes a requisite resolution comes under which article of the Constitution?
- (a) Article 311 (b) Article 312
(c) Article 313 (d) Article 314
98. Consider the following statements regarding Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)?
1. It is a formal declaration by the World Health Organization (WHO) of an extraordinary event which is determined to constitute a public health risk to other States through the international spread of disease and to potentially require a coordinated international response.
 2. Under the 2005 International Health Regulations (IHR), states have a legal duty to respond promptly to a PHEIC.
 3. Monkeypox has been recently declared as a PHEIC.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
99. Consider the following statements regarding Monkeypox:
1. The virus is endemic in parts of Central and West Africa.
 2. It has now spread to non-endemic countries as well.
 3. It doesn't get transmitted through sexual contact.
- Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
100. Consider the following statements regarding Partners in the Blue Pacific (PBP) initiative:
1. It has been launched by US and its allies- Australia, New Zealand, Japan and the United Kingdom.
 2. PBP is an informal mechanism to support Pacific islands and to boost diplomatic, economic ties in the region
- 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
101. Consider the following statements regarding India's Law on Bail:
1. The Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC) categorizes offences under the Indian Penal Code as 'bailable' and 'non-bailable'.
 2. Section 437 of the CrPC, 1973, lays down that a person accused of a bailable offence under I.P.C. can be granted bail.
 3. Section 436 of the CrPC, 1973 lays down that the accused does not have the right to bail in non-bailable offences.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1 and 3 only
102. Consider the following statements regarding World Population Prospects 2022:
1. The Population Division of the UN has been publishing the WPP annually since 1951.
 2. India is projected to surpass China as the world's most populous country in 2023.
 3. India has attained the Replacement Fertility Rate, at which a population exactly replaces itself from one generation to the next.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
103. Consider the following statements regarding ASHA programme:
1. India launched ASHA programme in 2005-06 as part of the National Rural Health Mission.
 2. ASHA is a social health activist in the age group of 25-45 years who serves as the first point of contact for deprived sections of the rural population.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 and 2
104. Consider the following statements regarding the International Chess Federation (FIDE)?
1. It is the governing body of the sport of chess, and it regulates all international chess competitions.
 2. FIDE is an inter-governmental organisation.
 3. It was recognized by the International Olympic Committee as a Global Sporting Organization in 1999.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3

105. Consider the following statements regarding I2U2 Initiative:
1. It is a new grouping of India, Israel, USA and UAE.
 2. In the grouping's name, 'I2' stands for India and Israel, whereas 'U2' stands for USA and the UAE.
 3. It was also referred to as 'International Forum for Economic Cooperation'.
- Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
106. Consider the following statements regarding 48th G7 Summit:
1. India invited the G7 Nations to tap into the huge market for clean energy technologies emerging in the country.
 2. Under Partnership for Global Infrastructure and Investment (PGII), G7 announced the collective mobilization of 600 billion dollars by 2027.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
107. Consider the following statements:
1. Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre (IN-SPACe) is a single-window autonomous agency under the Department of Space of the Government of India.
 2. The Centre acts as a facilitator and regulator of space activities in India.
- 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
108. Consider the following statements regarding Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN):
1. It is a regional grouping that was established in August 1967 with the signing of the ASEAN Declaration (Bangkok Declaration).
 2. It brings together 10 Southeast Asian states – Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam – into one organisation..
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 and 2
109. Consider the following statements regarding Acquired Immuno-Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS):
1. AIDS is a set of symptoms or syndrome caused by Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV).
 2. A person infected with HIV will definitely develop AIDS.
 3. HIV attacks CD4, a type of White Blood Cell (T cells) in the body's immune system.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
110. Consider the following statements regarding Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) for HIV-AIDS:
1. Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) is the only option available for people living with HIV-AIDS.
 2. A standard ART consists of a combination of at least three antiretroviral drugs to suppress the HIV virus and stop the progression of the disease.
- 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
111. Consider the following statements regarding Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF)?
1. It is an organization responsible for the direction and control of the Commonwealth Games and Commonwealth Youth Games.
 2. It is headquartered and incorporated in the UK, but working across 72 member nations and territories.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
112. Consider the following statements regarding Alcohol Prohibition Law in India:
1. The Directive Principle of State Policy, article 47 says that the state shall undertake rules to bring about prohibition of the consumption except for medicinal purposes of intoxicating drinks and of drugs which are injurious to health.
 2. Alcohol is a subject in the State list under the sixth schedule of the Indian Constitution.
 3. Alcohol prohibition in India is in force in the states of Bihar, Gujarat, Mizoram, Nagaland and in the union territory of Lakshadweep.
- Which of the statements given above is/are not correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
113. Consider the following statements regarding World Inequality Report 2022:
1. India is now among the most unequal countries in the world.
 2. The report was released by the World Inequality Lab.
 3. It aims to promote research on global inequality dynamics.
- 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
114. Consider the following statements regarding OPEC plus Countries:
1. The non-OPEC countries which export crude oil are termed as OPEC plus countries.
 2. OPEC plus countries include Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Brunei, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Mexico, Oman, Russia, Gabon, South Sudan and Sudan.
- 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

115. Consider the following statements regarding National Investigation Agency (NIA):

1. It is Central Counter-Terrorism Law Enforcement Agency of India.
2. It is a non-statutory body.
3. It is empowered to deal with the investigation of terror related crimes across states without special permission from the states under written proclamation from the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

116. Consider the following statements regarding Hepatitis:

1. Hepatitis refers to any inflammation of the liver — the irritation or swelling of the liver cells from any cause.
2. It is usually caused by a group of viruses known as the “hepatotropic” (liver directed) viruses, including A, B, C, D and E.
3. For the first time, an integrated Regional Action Plan for viral hepatitis, Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) 2022–2026 is being developed by WHO.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

117. Consider the following statements regarding Asiatic Lion Conservation Project:

1. Centre launched a lion conservation programme along the lines of Project Tiger in 2020.
2. The project identified six sites — two in Madhya Pradesh, three in Rajasthan and one in Gujarat — to relocate substantial numbers of Asiatic Lions from their current habitat in Gujarat’s Gir national Park

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 and 2

118. World Nature Conservation Day is celebrated on which of the following days?

- (a) 28 July (b) 26 June
(c) 28 April (d) 13 May

119. Consider the following statements regarding the ‘Directorate of Enforcement’?

1. The Directorate of Enforcement is a multi-disciplinary organization mandated with investigation of offence of money laundering and violations of foreign exchange laws.
2. It enforces Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA), Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 (FEMA) and Fugitive Economic Offenders Act, 2018 (FEOA).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

120. Consider the following statements regarding Global Tiger Day:

1. Global Tiger Day is celebrated every year on July 29th as a way to raise awareness about this endangered big cat.
2. The day was founded in 2010, when the 13 tiger range countries came together to create Tx2 – the global goal to double the number of wild tigers by the year 2022.
3. Conservation Assured | Tiger Standards (CA|TS) is an important part of Tx2.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

121. Consider the following statements regarding ‘Environment Performance Index (EPI)’:

1. It is an annual index started in 2022 to measure environmental health and sustainability of countries.
2. The EPI team transforms the raw environmental data into indicators that place countries on a 0–100 scale from worst to best performance.
3. As per the 2022 EPI, India was at the bottom among 180 countries.

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

122. Consider the following statements regarding Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti (GSDS):

1. It is an autonomous body that was formed in September 1984 by the merger of Gandhi Darshan at Rajghat and Gandhi Smriti.
2. The basic aim and objectives of the Samiti are to propagate the life, mission and thought of Mahatma Gandhi through various socio-educational and cultural programmes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

123. Consider the following statements regarding Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002:

1. It is a criminal law enacted to prevent money laundering and to provide for confiscation of property derived from, or involved in, money-laundering and related-matters.
2. Supplying an ECIR (Enforcement Case Information Report) in every case to the person concerned is mandatory.
3. A person can be prosecuted on notional basis or on the assumption that a scheduled offence has been committed without being registered with the jurisdictional police.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

