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- 1. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Prime Minister of India is the head of the government of India.
  - 2. The Prime Minister shall be appointed by the president .

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 2. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. International Court of Justice (ICJ) was established by the Charter of the United Nations.
  - 2. The tenure of the Judges is 9 years and elected by the United Nations Secretariate .

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
- 3. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Kyoto Protocol operationalizes the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD).
  - 2. The Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) is defined in Article 12 of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD).

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 about 'United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea':
  - 1. The International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea is established by the 3rd United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.
  - 2. The Tribunal has jurisdiction over any dispute concerning the interpretation or application of the Convention.

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 statements is/are correct regarding Adopt a Heritage scheme?
  - 1. It is a collaborative effort between the Ministry of Tourism and the Ministry of Culture.
  - 2. Red Fort (Delhi) and Taj Mahal (Agra) are considered as green monuments under the scheme.

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
- 6. With reference to the 'Corporate Social Responsibility', consider the following statements:
  - CSR is a concept that is mandated by the Companies Act, 2013 in India.

2. CSR provisions are applicable only to companies with an annual turnover of 1,000 crore.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 7. Consider the following statements about 'Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)':
  - 1. The CBI is a statutory body, established under the Delhi Special Police Establishment Act, 1946.
  - 2. Establishment of CBI was recommended by the Santhanam Committee on Prevention of Corruption.

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
- 8. Consider the following statements regarding 'Chief Minister':
  - 1. Real executive authority rests with the Chief Minister in the states.
  - 2. A person who is not a member of the state legislature cannot be appointed as Chief Minister.

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
- 9. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct?
  - 1. India Meteorological Department (IMD) is working under the Ministry of Environment Forest and Climate Change.
  - 2. IMD is also one of the six Regional Specialized Meteorological Centres of the World Meteorological Organization.

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
- 10. IMD issues color code impact-based heat warning jointly with which of the following:
  - (a) National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM)
  - (b) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR)
  - (c) National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA)
  - (d) National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)
- 11. Consider the following statements about 'Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR)':
  - 1. SLR is the percentage of NDTL that a bank must keep in safe and liquid assets such as unencumbered government securities, cash, and gold.
  - 2. SLR changes frequently have an impact on the availability of resources in the banking system for lending to the private sector.

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

- 12. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. Banaras session of the Indian National Congress (INC) was presided by Dadabhai Naoroji.
  - 2. Split of Congress in Moderates and Extremist happened in Surat session of the INC.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 13. With reference to the Minimum Support Price (MSP), consider the following statements:
  - 1. MSP is a "minimum price" for any crop that the government considers as remunerative for farmers.
  - 2. The MSPs (Minimum Support Prices) are recommended by the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP).

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
- 14. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The major constituent elements of the mantle are Silicon and Magnesium and hence it is also termed as SIMA.
  - 2. Mohorovich discontinuity is a boundary between the earth's mantle and outer core.

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. Khasi tribes are an indigenous ethnic group of Meghalaya.
  - 2. Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council (KHADC) is a body under the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution.

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
- 16. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. The Expansionary Monetary Policy increases additional money into the economy and increases inflation levels.
  - 2. Expansionary Monetary Policy has the potential to cause the devaluation of a currency.

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
- 17. With reference to the Inner Line Permit (ILP), consider the following statements:
  - 1. An ILP is a travel document officially issued by the concerned state government.
  - 2. ILP is not applicable to the area out of the North-Eastern 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
- 18. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Election Commissioners':
  - 1. Election Commissioners enjoy the same status and receive salary and perks as available to Judges of the Supreme Court.
  - 2. Election Commissioners are appointed by the president by a warrant under his hand and seal.

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
- 19. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. The World Bank came into existence through the Bretton Woods Conference.
  - 2. The President of the World Bank is elected by the Board of Executive Directors.

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
- 20. With reference to the Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG), consider the following statements:
  - 1. The main source of obtaining LPG is from the process of extracting natural gas from reservoirs.
  - 2. Primary component of LPG is methane.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 21. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct?
  - 1. The Constitution has fixed the tenure of a judge of
  - 2. Judges of the Supreme Court can be removed on grounds of proved misbehavior or Incapacity.

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
- 22. Consider the following statements regarding 'Judges of the Supreme Court':
  - 1. The salaries, allowances, privileges, leave and pension of the judges of the Supreme Court are determined by the President.
  - 2. The retired judges are entitled to 50% of their last drawn salary as a monthly pension.

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

- 23. With reference to the Election Commission of India (ECI), consider the following statements:
  - In case of difference of opinion amongst the Chief Election Commissioner and/or two other election commissioners, the opinion of the Chief Election Commissioner will be final.
  - The chief election commissioner and the two other election commissioners have equal powers and receive equal salary, allowances and other perquisites.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 24. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. Tripura's model of development is based on social sector spending such as health and education.
  - United Nations Development Programme and Government of Tripura have commissioned the Foundation for Agrarian Studies for Tripura Human Development Report.

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
- 25. Which of the following are not the three priority areas of the fist G20 Environment and Climate Sustainability Working Group (ECSWG) meeting?
  - (a) Arresting Land Degradation
  - (b) Accelerating Ecosystem Restoration and Enriching Biodiversity
  - (c) Promoting a Sustainable and Climate Resilient Blue Economy and Encouraging Resource Efficiency and Circular Economy
  - (d) Good Health and Wellbeing induced by Green Economy
- 26. Which of the following countries is bordered by China to the north and northeast, Laos to the east, Thailand to the southeast, the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal to the south and southwest.
  - (a) Malaysia
- (b) Myanmar
- (c) Cambodia
- (d) Vietnam
- 27. Consider the following statements about 'Basic Structure of the Constitution':
  - Limited power of Parliament to amend the Constitution is a part of the basic structure of the constitution, mandated through the Indira Nehru Gandhi case, 1975.
  - 2. In the Minerva Mills Case of 1980, it was established that the judicial review is the Basic Structure of the constitution.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 28. Which of the following is not a member of the Drafting Committee of the Constituent Assembly?
  - (a) TT Krishnamachari
  - (b) Sir B. N. Rau
  - (c) N Madhava Rau
  - (d) Alladi Krishnaswamy Ayyar
- 29. Consider the following statements regarding 'National Commission for Religious and Linguistic Minorities':
  - 1. The National Commission for Religious and Linguistic Minorities was chaired by Justice Ranganath Misra.
  - 2. The commission's report recommended that Scheduled Caste status be completely delinked from religion.

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
- 30. Which of the following nations does not surrounds the Mediterranean Sea?
  - (a) Libya
- (b) Egypt
- (c) Tunisia
- (d) Jordan
- 31. With reference to the BRICS, consider the following statements:
  - 1. BRICS does not exist in the form of organization, but it is an annual summit.
  - 2. BRICS nations created the Asian Development Bank through the Fortaleza Declaration.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 32. Consider the following statements regarding 'Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO)':
  - 1. The official working language of the SCO Secretariat is Russian and Chinese.
  - Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (RATS) established by SCO to combat terrorism, separatism and extremism.

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
- 33. With reference to the QUAD, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is the grouping of four democracies India, UK, US, and Japan.
  - 2. It aims to ensure and support a "free, open and prosperous" Indo-Pacific region.

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

- 34. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - The Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA) prohibits receipt of foreign funds by candidates for elections.
  - 2. Organizations are required to maintain a distinct account solely for the purpose of receiving foreign contributions under the FCRA.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 35. Consider the following statements about 'Goods and Services Tax':
  - 1. GST is applicable on the manufacture of goods and provision of services.
  - 2. GST is based on the principle of origin-based taxation.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 36. Consider the following statements regarding 'NITI Aayog':
  - 1. NITI Aayog was created by an executive resolution of the Government of India.
  - 2. The Prime Minister of India is the chairman of NITI Aayog.

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. With reference to the Anti-defection law, consider the following statements:
  - 1. Any question regarding disqualification arising out of defection is to be decided by the presiding officer of the House.
  - 2. It was inserted in the Constitution by the Constitution (Fifty-Second Amendment) Act, 1985.

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
- 38. Which of the following nations is not a member of the G7 group?
  - (a) Canada
- (b) Australia
- (c) France
- (d) Germany
- 39. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. According to Article 15 of the Constitution, the State shall not discriminate against any citizen on grounds only of religion, race, caste, sex or place of birth.
  - 2. This provision prohibits discrimination by the State but not by the private individual.

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

- 40. With reference to the Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RoDTEP) scheme, consider the following statements:
  - 1. The RoDTEP scheme would refund to exporters the embedded central, state and local duties or taxes that were so far not been rebated or refunded.
  - Rebates will be issued as transferable duty credit/ electronic scrip which will be maintained in an electronic ledger by the Central Board of Direct Taxes.

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
- 41. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. Green hydrogen is a type of hydrogen that is produced through the electrolysis of water.
  - Strategic Interventions for Green Hydrogen Transition Programme (SIGHT) is a sub scheme of the National Green Hydrogen Mission.

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
- 42. Consider the following statements:
  - The Green Climate Fund (GCF) is a financial mechanism established under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
  - 2. The Green Climate Fund came into existence at COP 16 held in Cancun.

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
- 43. Consider the following statements regarding 'Chief Minister':
  - 1. The Chief Minister is the de jure executive.
  - 2. The Constitution does not contain any specific procedure for the selection and appointment of the Chief Minister.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 44. With reference to the Right to Education, consider the following statements:
  - 1. State shall provide free and compulsory education to all children of the age of six to fourteen years.
  - 2. The Constitution (Eighty-sixth Amendment) Act, 2002 inserted Article 21-A in the Constitution which ensures the right to education as a fundamental right.

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

- 45. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. The Eighth Schedule of the Constitution of India lists the official languages of the Republic of India.
  - 2. All the Classical Languages are not listed in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 46. Which of the following languages is not part of the 8th schedule of the constitution?
  - (a) Dogri
- (b) Bodo
- (c) Santhali
- (d) English
- 47. Consider the following statements regarding 'Vibrant Villages Programme':
  - 1. It is a Centrally Sector Scheme focused on development of villages on the northern border.
  - This programme is promoting the development of sustainable eco-agri businesses concept based on One Village One Product.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 48. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct?
  - 1. The Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary is a high-altitude wildlife sanctuary located in Sikkim.
  - 2. Tso Moriri is located in Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary.

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
- 49. Which of the following Passes are not located in the state of Uttarakhand?
  - (a) Mana Pass
- (b) Niti Pass
- (c) Muling La
- (d) Zoji La
- 50. Consider the following statements regarding 'Preamble of the Indian Constitution':
  - 1. The Preamble to the Indian Constitution is based on the 'Objectives Resolution'.
  - 2. According to BR Ambedkar, the Preamble is the heart and soul of the constitution.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 51. With reference to the Kuno National Park, consider the following statements:
  - 1. Kuno National Park is part of the Khathiar-Gir dry deciduous forests.
  - 2. Cheetah from Namibia has been reintroduced in this 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 nor 2
- 52. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct?
  - 1. Anamalai Tiger Reserve is part of the Southern Western Ghats.
  - 2. Anamalai Wildlife Sanctuary has been declared as Anamalai Tiger Reserve under the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.

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
- 53. Which of the following is part of the Union Executive?
  - (a) Chief Election Commissioner
  - (b) Comptroller and Auditor General of India
  - (c) Attorney General of India
  - (d) Registrar general of India
- 54. Consider the following statements about 'Dekho Apna Desh':
  - The objective of this initiative is to create awareness among the citizens about the rich heritage and culture of the country.
  - 2. The Ministry of Culture has launched the 'Dekho Apna Desh' initiative.

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. With reference to the H3N2, consider the following statements:
  - 1. H3N2 is a subtype of Influenza A virus.
  - 2. H3N2 viruses can infect both birds and mammals.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 56. Consider the following statements:
  - The National Pension System is being implemented and regulated by the Pension Fund Regulatory & Development Authority.
  - 2. Overseas Citizens of India card holders are eligible for opening of NPS accounts.

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

- 57. Consider the following statements regarding 'Digital or Virtual Currency':
  - 1. Cryptocurrency is a digital currency or virtual currency which uses cryptography for security.
  - 2. The Finance Ministry placed all transactions involving virtual digital assets under the purview of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) 2002.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 58. With reference to the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), consider the following statements:
  - 1. FATF is the global money laundering and terrorist financing watchdog.
  - 2. The FATF Plenary is the decision-making body which appoints the President of FATF.

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. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct?
  - 1. AUKUS is a security partnership between the United States, Australia, and the United Kingdom.
  - The first major initiative of AUKUS would be to deliver a nuclear-powered submarine fleet for Australia.

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
- 60. Which of the following nations is located in the Middle East, along the eastern coastline of the Mediterranean Sea, bordered by Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Egypt.
  - (a) Israel
- (b) Iraq
- (c) Saudi Arabia
- (d) Libya
- 61. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Panchayati Raj Institution (PRI) was constitutionalized through the 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act 1992.
  - 2. The 74th Constitutional Amendment Act of 1992 established the Municipalities or Urban Local Governments system as a constitutional entity.

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. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. When the body waves interact with surface rocks, a new set of waves is generated called surface waves.
  - 2. Surface waves are faster than body waves and hence they are the first to be detected on a seismograph.

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

- 63. With reference to the emergency provision, consider the following statements:
  - 1. When an emergency is declared on the grounds of 'armed rebellion', it is known as 'Internal Emergency'.
  - 2. This term 'armed rebellion' is inserted from the 44th Constitutional Amendment Act, 1978.

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
- 64. With reference to the provisions regarding adultery in India, consider the following statements:
  - 1. Indian military has its own set of regulations and codes of conduct that prohibit adultery.
  - 2. Under Section 497 of the IPC, both man and woman can be punished for committing adultery.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 65. Consider the following statements:
  - Swachh Bharat Mission Grameen (SBM-G) was launched by the Ministry of Jal Shakti.
  - 2. SBM-G was implemented as nation-wide campaign which aimed at eliminating open defecation in rural areas.
  - 3. Himachal Pradesh is among the top five performing states where a maximum number of villages have been declared as Open Defecation Free (ODF) Plus.

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
- 66. With reference to the National Green Hydrogen Mission, consider the following statements:
  - 1. The nodal ministry of this mission is the Ministry of Power.
  - 2. The objective is to develop a green hydrogen production capacity of at least 5 MMT (Million Metric Tonne) per annum by 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
- 67. With reference to the Panchayati Raj Institution (PRI), consider the following statements:
  - 1. Article 40 empowered the state legislature to legislate with respect to any subject relating to local self-government.
  - 2. PRI was constitutionalized through the 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act, 1992.
  - 3. National Panchayati Raj Day is celebrated on 24th April every year in India.

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

- 68. With reference to the National Logistics Policy 2022, consider the following statements:
  - 1. The policy focuses on key areas such as process reengineering, digitisation, and multi-modal transport.
  - 2. The logistics cost in India is high as compared to other developed economies.
  - 3. Logistics costs have to be cut by half to be near global benchmarks by 2030.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 69. With reference to the G20, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It was formed in 1999 in the backdrop of the financial crisis of the late 1990s that hit East Asia and Southeast Asia in particular.
  - 2. The country holding the presidency, together with the previous and next presidency-holder, forms the 'Troika' countries.
  - 3. The G20 has no permanent secretariat.

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
- 70. With reference to Data Empowerment and Protection Architecture (DEPA), consider the following statements:
  - DEPA empowers people to seamlessly and securely access their data and share it with third party institutions.
  - 2. However, there is a risk of personal information misuse or misappropriation.
  - 3. DEPA is a consent management tool.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3 only
- 71. What is the significance of Andaman and Nicobar Islands for India's strategic interests?
  - (a) It provides a strategic location for India's military bases and operations
  - (b) It is a major source of natural resources such as oil and gas
  - (c) It has a large population of Indian citizens who need protection
  - (d) It is an important tourist destination for India
- 72. Regarding the Academy Awards (Oscars), consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Academy Awards are granted to films that exhibit artistic and technical excellence in the global cinema industry.
  - The Elephant Whisperers won Best Documentary Short Subject at the 95th Academy Awards, and Nattu Nattu won Best Original Song.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 73. What is core inflation, and what does it signify?
  - (a) Inflation in the prices of food items
  - (b) Inflation in the prices of essential household items
  - (c) Inflation in the prices of goods and services excluding food and fuel
  - (d) Inflation in the prices of luxury items
- 74. Regarding the Foreign Higher Educational Institutions (FHEIs), consider the following statements:
  - 1. University Grants Commission regulates the Setting up and Operation of Campuses of Foreign Higher Educational Institutions (FHEIs) in India.
  - 2. Initially, permission would be granted for ten years, with renewal being subject to the fulfilment of requisite conditions.

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. Consider the following statements regarding 'Lokayukta':
  - 1. The institution of Lokayukta is a statutory body.
  - 2. It can investigate any action taken by the public servant if it is referred by the state government.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 76. Which of the following publishes the Global Gender Gap Report?
  - (a) World Bank
  - (b) World Economic Forum
  - (c) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
  - (d) International Labour Organization
- 77. Which of the following rights comes under the Article 14 of the Indian Constitution?
  - (a) Equality before law
  - (b) Equal protection of laws
  - (c) Prohibition of discrimination
  - (d) All of the above
- 78. With reference to the Real GDP, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is an inflation-adjusted calculation that analyzes the rate of all commodities and services manufactured in a country for a fixed year.
  - 2. It solely considers production and currency fluctuations.

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

- 79. With reference to the Incremental Capital Output Ratio (ICOR), consider the following statements:
  - 1. It indicates the additional unit of capital or investment needed to produce an additional unit of output.
  - 2. A higher ICOR is preferred as it indicates a country's production is more efficient.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 80. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct?
  - 1. India's first AI-specific cloud computing infrastructure called 'AIRAWAT' has been released by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
  - 2. AIRAWAT was established based on the recommendations made by the National Strategy for Artificial Intelligence (NSAI).

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
- 81. Consider the following statements about 'Coalition for Disaster Relief Infrastructure (CDRI)':
  - 1. The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) has joined CDRI as a member.
  - 2. It was launched at the United Nations Climate Action Summit in 2019.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 82. Consider the following statements regarding 'Vibrant Villages Programme':
  - 1. It will cover the border areas of Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim and Ladakh.
  - 2. Vibrant Village Action Plans will be created by the district administration with the help of Gram Panchayats.

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
- 83. Which of the following nations is not part of the Abraham Accord?
  - (a) Israel
- (b) United Arab Emirates
- (c) Bahrain
- (d) Kuwait
- 84. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Chief Election Commissioner can only be removed from their office through a process similar to the removal of a Supreme Court judge.
  - 2. The Election Commission has no advisory jurisdiction in the matter of post-election disqualification of sitting members of Parliament and State Legislatures.

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. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. Governor assents, withholds assent, or reserves the bill for the consideration of the President passed by the Legislative Assembly.
  - 2. Governor is the constitutional head of the state, and not bound by the advice of his Council of Ministers (CoM).

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
- 86. Which of the following features is not a characteristic of the federal system of India?
  - (a) Rigidity of constitution
  - (b) Single Constitution
  - (c) Bicameralism
  - (d) Independence judiciary
- 87. Consider the following statements about 'STEM':
  - 1. It is a curriculum based on the idea of educating students in 4 specific disciplines science, technology, engineering and mathematics.
  - 2. The STEM acronym was introduced by the U. National Science Foundation (NSF).

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
- 88. With reference to the landfills, consider the following statements:
  - 1. Ammonia and hydrogen sulfide are responsible for most of the odors at landfills.
  - 2. Leachates generated through landfills contain lead, cadmium, mercury, and arsenic.

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
- 89. Consider the following statements regarding 'Chief Electoral Officer (CEO)':
  - 1. The Panchayati Raj elections are organized and conducted by the state's chief electoral officer in consultation with the chief election commissioner.
  - 2. Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) is nominated/designated by the governor in consultation with the state/union territory government.

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

- 90. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW)
    has designated the International Institute for
    Population Sciences as the nodal agency for National
    Family Health Survey (NFHS).
  - 2. The funding for different rounds of NFHS has been provided by USAID, UNICEF, UNFPA.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 91. With reference to the Horn of Africa, consider the following statements:
  - It lies along the southern boundary of the Red Sea and extends into the Guardafui Channel, Gulf of Aden, and Indian Ocean.
  - 2. It denotes the region containing the countries of Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, and Somalia.

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
- 92. Consider the following statements about 'Privilege Motion':
  - The privilege motion is moved by a member of parliament when he feels that a minister or any member has committed a breach of privilege of the House.
  - 2. This motion is applicable for members of the council of states 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
- 93. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. The IV Schedule of the Indian Constitution deals with the allocation of seats in the Rajya Sabha to the states and UTs.
  - 2. Only three UTs Delhi, Puducherry, and Jammu & Kashmir have representation in Rajya Sabha.

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
- 94. With reference to the Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT), consider the following statements:
  - 1. Public sector partner has to bring the finance for the project to facilitate private sector partner to construct and maintain it.
  - 2. Public sector will allow private sector partner to collect revenue from the users.

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

- 95. With reference to the the Oscar Award, consider the following statements:
  - 1. The award is given by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.
  - 2. The Oscar for Best Documentary Short Film went to India's "The Elephant Whisperers".

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
- 96. Consider the following statements regarding 'Chairman of Rajya Sabha':
  - 1. The Chairman's consent is not necessary to raise a question of breach of privilege in the House.
  - 2. He can only be removed as the chairman of Rajya Sabha when he is removed from the office of Vice-President of 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
- 97. With reference to the High Court, consider the following statements:
  - The chief justice of the high court is appointed by the President after consultation with the chief justice of India and the governor of the state concerned.
  - 2. The jurisdiction and powers of a high court can be changed both by the Parliament and the state legislature.

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
- 98. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. The State can force the people to pay taxes for the promotion and maintenance of any religion or religious institution.
  - 2. The educational institutions that are receiving the state funding are not allowed to practice religious instructions.

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
- 99. Consider the following statements about 'Central Information Commission':
  - 1. Commission was established under the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005.
  - 2. The Prime Minister chaired the committee which the president consulted during the appointment of Chief Information Commissioner.

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

- 100. With reference to the Preamble of Indian Constitution, consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Preamble states that the constitution derives its authority from the people of India.
  - 2. The preamble of the Indian constitution is based on the Nehru Report, 1928.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 101. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct?
  - 1. The Constitution authorizes the Parliament to form new states or alter the areas, boundaries or names of the existing states without consent of states.
  - 2. Settlement of a boundary dispute between India and another country does not require a constitutional amendment under Art. 368.

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
- 102. Which of the following nations does not constitutes troika of 2023 summit of G20:
  - (a) Indonesia
- (b) South Africa
- (c) India.
- (d) Brazil
- 103. Consider the following statements related to 'Features of Parliamentary form of Government':
  - 1. The principle of collective responsibility implies that the Lok Sabha can remove the ministry from office by passing a vote of no confidence.
  - 2. The ministers are members of both the legislature and the executive.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 104. With reference to the Sarkaria Commission (1983), consider the following statements:
  - 1. One of the major objectives of the commission was to investigate the relationship between the center and states.
  - 2. The commission recommended dissolving the interstate council for the center to take responsibility for resolving any issues among the states.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 105. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. The G7 does not have a formal charter or a secretariat.
  - India has launched the LiFE Campaign in 48th G7 Summit presided by germany.

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
- 106. Consider the following statements about 'Monetary Policy of RBI':
  - 1. Marginal Standing Facility is a window for scheduled banks to borrow overnight from the RBI in an emergency situation.
  - 2. Statutory Liquidity Ratio is a liquidity window through which the RBI will give banks an option to park excess liquidity with it.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 107. With reference to the Hampi UNESCO heritage site, consider the following statements:
  - 1. The site of Hampi comprises mainly the remnants of the capital city of the Vijayanagara Empire.
  - 2. Virupapura Gaddi is an oval islet formed by the Tungabhadra River and located west of the Hampi.

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. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. Stagflation means a situation characterized by simultaneous increase in prices and stagnation of economic growth.
  - 2. Stagflation occurs when an economy faces a sudden increase in the supply of a commodity or services.

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
- 109. Consider the following statements with reference to Color code of bins for disposal of biomedical wastes':
  - 1. Yellow bin is used for collection and segregation of the anatomical wastes.
  - 2. Black bin is used for the purpose of collection and disposal of the glass and metallic wastes.

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
- 110. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Member of a house of the Legislative Assembly of a state submits his resignation to the governor of the state.
  - 2. The 87th Amendment Act of 2003 provided for the delimitation of constituencies on the basis of the 2001 census.

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

- statements:
  - 1. The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) declared 2023 as the International Year of Millets.
  - 2. They are gluten-free and have a low glycemic index, making them ideal for people with celiac disease.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 112. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. Leprosy is a chronic infectious disease caused by a type of bacteria, Mycobacterium leprae.
  - 2. National Leprosy Eradication Programme (NLEP) which is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme not covered under the National Health Mission (NHM).

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
- 113. Consider the following statements regarding 'Human Development Report (HDR)':
  - 1. The Human Development Index, or HDI, is a metric compiled by the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN).
  - 2. Gender Inequality Index is one of the five indices which is part of the Human Development Report (HDR).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 114. With reference to the Gross National Income (GNI), consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) plus inward remittances sent by the expatriates minus the total income generated by the foreign residents living in a nation..
  - 2. Nations that have substantial foreign direct investment, foreign corporate presence, or foreign aid will show a significant difference between GNI and GDP.

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. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. The Pradhan Mantri Aawas Yojna- Urban (PMAY-U) addresses urban housing shortage among the EWS/ LIG and MIG categories.
  - 2. Affordable Rental Housing Complexes (ARHCs) is a sub-scheme under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana -Urban (PMAY-U)

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

- 111. With reference to the millets, consider the following | 116. Consider the following statements about 'One Rank One Pension':
  - 1. It means the payment of the same pension to military officers for the same rank for the same length of service, irrespective of the date of retirement.
  - 2. The implementation of the scheme was based on recommendation of the Koshiyari 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
- 117. Consider the following statements regarding 'Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)':
  - 1. It established the Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (RATS) to combat terrorism, separatism and
  - 2. The official working language of the SCO Secretariat is Russian and Chinese.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 118. With reference to the Shimla Agreement, 1973 consider the following statements:
  - 1. It was a trilateral agreement between Bangladesh, India, and Pakistan.
  - 2. The Agreement mainly focused on the repatriation of prisoners of war and civilians held in the three countries after the Bangladesh liberation war.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 119. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. The Attorney General of India is appointed by the President of India by warrant under his hand and seal.
  - 2. The Attorney General of India is not a part of the Union Executive.

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
- 120. Consider the following statements about 'Recession':
  - 1. A recession typically involves the overall output in an economy contracting for at least two consecutive semesters, along with job losses and reduction in overall demand.
  - 2. Yield inversion has long been a reliable predictor of recession.

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

- 121. Malabar exercise is associated with which of the | 127. Which of the following statements is/are not correct? following?
  - (a) ASEAN
- (b) BRICS
- (c) SCO
- (d) QUAD
- 122. With reference to the 'Article 17 of the Constitution', consider the following statements:
  - 1. It provides security not only against the government but also against private individuals.
  - 2. The enforcement of any disability arising out of "Untouchability" shall be an offence punishable in accordance with law.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 123. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct?
  - 1. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is established by the World Meteorological Organization and the United Nations Environment Programme.
  - 2. According to sixth assessment report of IPCC, it is likely that warming will exceed 1.5 degrees Celsius (°C) in this century.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 124. Consider the following statements regarding 'Pardoning Power of Presi dent':
  - 1. Commutation denotes the substitution of one form of punishment with a lighter form of punishment.
  - 2. Reprieve implies reducing the period of the sentence without changing its character.

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. With reference to the National Commission for Backward Classes (N CBC), consider the following statements:
  - 1. 102nd Constitution Amendment Act, 2018 provides constitutional status to the NCBC.
  - 2. The Indra Sawhney case of 1992 led to the establishment of the National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC).

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
- 126. Which of the following is not a greenhouse gas?
  - (a) Perfluorocarbons (PFCs)
  - (b) Sulfur hexafluoride (SF6)
  - (c) Carbon Monoxide (CO)
  - (d) Nitrogen trifluoride (NF3)

- - 1. Tuberculosis bacteria can attack any part of the body such as the kidney, spine, and brain.
  - 2. BCG vaccine is developed by modifying a strain of Mycobacterium tuberculosis.

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
- 128. Which of the following organization releases the World Development Report?
  - (a) World Economic Forum (WEF)
  - (b) World Bank (WB)
  - (c) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
  - (d) World Health Organization (WHO)
- 129. With reference to the National One Health Mission, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It develops robust outbreak investigation mechanisms for effective investigation of diseases across human, animal husbandry and wildlife sectors also.
  - 2. It is trying to achieve overall pandemic preparedness and integrated disease control with early warning systems.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 130. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. Bhagat singh founded the Naujawan Bharat Sabha in 1926.
  - 2. 'Why I am an Atheist', written by Bhagat Singh during his stay in prison.
  - 3. He became a member of the Hindustan Republican Association started by Sachindranath Sanyal.

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
- 131. Consider the following statements regarding 'Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)':
  - 1. It was established to oversee the National Pension System (NPS).
  - 2. Minimum Assured Return Scheme (MARS) is a guaranteed return scheme offered by PFRDA.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 132. With reference to the Referendum, consider the follo wing statements:
  - 1. A mandatory referendum is a type of referendum where a particular issue or proposal must be put to a vote of the people by law.

2. An optional referendum, also known as a non-binding referendum, is a type of referendum in which the outcome is not legally binding.

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
- 133. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - The Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI) was established under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960.
  - 2. Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Rules, 2017 allows a magistrate to forfeit the cattle of an owner facing trial under the Act.

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
- 134. Consider the following statements about 'the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)':
  - UNFCCC is an international environmental convention that aims to lower atmospheric concentrations of greenhouse gasses.
  - The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) and the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) are two permanent subsidiary organizations (SBs) of the UNFCCC.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 135. With reference to the appointment of judges of supreme court, consider the following statements:
  - 1. In the First Judges case (1982), the court changed the meaning of the word consultation to concurrence.
  - 2. In the Third Judges case (1998), the Court opined that the consultation process to be adopted by the Chief justice of India requires consultation of plurality judges.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 136. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. Pulmonary tuberculosis is a chronic consumptive disease, but it can be present as acute pneumonia.
  - 2. Cartridges Based Nucleic Acid Amplification Test (CBNAAT) is used for early diagnosis of Multidrug Resistance Tuberculosis (MDR-TB).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

- 137. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Vinaya Pitaka consists of the main teaching or Dhamma of Buddha.
  - 2. The Sutta Pitaka consists of rules of conduct and discipline applicable to the monastic life of monks and nuns in Buddhism.

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
- 138. Consider the following statements regarding 'Right to freedom of speech and expression':
  - 1. Right to demonstration or picketing comes under the right to freedom of speech and expression.
  - 2. Defamation is a ground on which the state can impose restrictions on the right to freedom of speech and expression.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 139. With reference to the 'Recombination' consider the followin g statements:
  - It is the process by which DNA strands are broken and repaired, producing new combinations of alleles.
  - 2. Transduction is used to insert the genes of choices in animals and plant cells to modify the genetic constituents.

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
- 140. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. High court judges hold their office during the pleasure of the president, though they are appointed by him.
  - 2. The salaries and allowances of the judges of high court are charged on the consolidated fund 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
- 141. Consider the following statements about 'OTT pl atforms':
  - 1. Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules 2021 regulates the OTT platforms.
  - 2. The rules established a self-regulatory architecture with a two-tier grievance redressal mechanism for OTT platforms.

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

- 142. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. The Mauludi lunisolar calendar was introduced by Haidar Ali.
  - The Battle of Seringapatam was fought between the British East India Company and the Kingdom of Mysore.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 143. With reference to the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC), cons ider the following statem ents:
  - 1. Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) was constituted under the RBI Act of 1934
  - 2. MPC consists of six members with the finance minister as the chairperson.

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
- 144. The budget documents presented to the Parliament does not comprise of which of the following:
  - (a) Outcome Budget
- (b) Consumption Profile
- (c) Expenditure Profile (d) Budget at a Glance
- 145. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The ministers are members of both the legislature and the executive.
  - 2. A person cannot be appointed as minister without being a member of Parliament.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 146. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. The IMF was conceived at a UN conference in Bretton Woods.
  - 2. The Global Financial Stability Report is released by the IMF.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 147. With reference to the Indian National Congress (INC), consider the following statements:
  - 1. First Session of Indian National Congress held at Bombay in 1885 presided by Dadabhai Naoroji.
  - 2. Resolution for Swaraj (Self Government), Boycott Movement, Swadeshi & National Education was adopted in the Surat session of the INC.

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. Which of the following vaccines are not provided under the Universal Immunization Program?
  - (a) Haemophiles Influenzae type B
  - (b) Meningitis & Pneumonia
  - (c) Measles
  - (d) Chicken pox
- 149. Consider the following statements regarding 'Criteria of disqualifications mentioned in the Representation of People Act (1951):':
  - 1. He must not have been convicted for any offense resulting in imprisonment for two or more years.
  - 2. The detention of a person under a preventive detention law is also a criterion for disqualification.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 150. With reference to the One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC), consider the following statements:
  - 1. The ONORC scheme is being implemented under the National Food Security Act (NFSA) 2013.
  - 2. ONORC envisages removing the geographical hindrance to social justice and enabling the right to food.

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. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct?
  - 1. The Indian Constitution adopted universal adult franchise as a basis of elections to the Rajya Sabha.
  - 2. The voting age was reduced to 18 years from 21 years in 1989 by the 61st Constitutional Amendment Act.

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
- 152. Consider the following statements regarding 'ALH (Advanced Light Helicopter) Dhruv Mk III aircraft':
  - 1. ALH (Advanced Light Helicopter) Dhruv Mk III aircraft has been developed by India and Russia in collaboration.
  - 2. It is a twin engine, multi-role, multi-mission new generation helicopter.

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

- consider the following statements:
  - 1. An EEZ is an area of the ocean, generally extending 200 nautical miles beyond a nation's territorial sea,
  - 2. Other states have the right to conduct scientific research, and ships from all countries have the right of innocent passage through the EEZ of any other nation.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 154. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct?
  - 1. Blue Economy entirely oriented to the transformation and modernization of the fisheries sector.
  - 2. Sustainable Development Goal 14 (SDG 14) seeks to conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas, and marine resources for sustainable development.

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
- 155. Consider the following statements about 'Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2022':
  - 1. It restricted the sale and purchase of surplus extended producer responsibility certificates.
  - 2. State Pollution Control Board (SPCBs) or Pollution Control Committees (PCCs) have been tasked to submit an annual report on EPR portal.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 156. With reference to the election of the President, consider the following statements:
  - 1. Electoral College for the election of President consist of the elected members of the legislative assemblies of the Union Territories of Delhi and Puducherry.
  - 2. The election of a person as President cannot be challenged on the ground that the electoral college was incomplete.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 157. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. Any dispute between the Centre and one or more states comes under the original jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.
  - 2. The Supreme Court can issue writs only for the enforcement of the Fundamental Rights and not for other purposes.

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

- 153. With reference to the Exclusive Economic Zones (EEZs), | 158. With reference to the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA),1967 consider the following statements:
  - 1. The investigating agency can file a charge sheet in maximum 180 days after the arrests.
  - 2. Unlawful activity refers to any action taken by an individual or association intended to disrupt the territorial integrity and sovereignty of 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
- 159. Consider the following statements regarding 'Mission Karmayo gi':
  - 1. It aims to establish the new national architecture for civil services capacity building.
  - 2. A special purpose vehicle (SPV) is set up under the Companies Act 2013 to run this mission.

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. Right to freedom of speech and expression, assembly, association, movement, residence and profession is available to Indian citizens and foreigners both.
  - 2. The Indian Constitution allows cultural and educational rights only to citizens of 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
- 161. With reference to the Powers of the Supreme Court, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It enquires into the conduct and behavior of the chairman and members of the Union Public Service Commission on a reference made by the President.
  - 2. The advice tendered by the Supreme Court in this regard is not binding on the President.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 162. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct?
  - 1. Affordable Medicines and Reliable Implants for Treatment (AMRIT) Deendayal outlets do not include the supply of drugs related to cardiovascular diseases (CVD) at discounted prices.
  - 2. Cerebrovascular diseases do not come under cardiovascular diseases.

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

- 163. Consider the following statements regarding 'Preamble | 168. Which of the following statements is/are not correct? to the Constitution':
  - 1. Socialist, Secular and Integrity added through the 44<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act (1976).
  - 2. Preamble to the Indian Constitution is based on the 'Objectives Resolution',

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 164. With reference to the reservation in India, consider the following statements:
  - 1. William Hunter and Jyotirao Phule in 1882 originally conceived the idea of caste-based reservation system.
  - 2. 103rd Constitution Amendment Act, 2019 introduced 10% reservation for economically weaker sections.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 165. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - 1. Wet bulb temperature is the lowest temperature to which air can be cooled by the evaporation of water into the air at a constant pressure.
  - 2. The difference between wet bulb temperature and dry bulb temperatures is a measure of the humidity of the air.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 166. Consider the following statements regarding 'Right to Health':
  - 1. The Right to Health is in sync with the constitutional guarantee of Right to Life and Directive Principle of State Policy.
  - 2. India is a signatory of the Article 25 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948) by the United Nations which is associated with the right to health and well-being to humans.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 167. With reference to the Essential Services Maintenance Act (ESMA),1968 consider the following statements:
  - 1. ESMA gives police the right to arrest anyone who violates its provisions without a warrant.
  - 2. The ESMA is a law made by the Parliament of India under the Union List of the 7th Schedule of the Constitution of 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

- - 1. The International Court of Justice functions in accordance with the UN Charter.
  - 2. The UN Charter is an instrument of international law, and UN Member States are bound by it.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 169. Consider the following statements regarding 'National Food Security Act, (NFSA) 2013':
  - 1. The Act legally entitled up to 50% of the rural population only to receive subsidized food grains under Targeted Public Distribution System.
  - 2. The eldest woman of the household of age 18 years or above is mandated to be the head of the household for the purpose of issuing ration cards under the Act.

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
- 170. With reference to the Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman or PM-POSHAN Scheme, consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Union Cabinet approved the PM-POSHAN for providing one hot cooked meal in Government and Government-aided schools.
  - 2. The scheme comes under the umbrella programme for mid-day meals in schools or Mid-day Meal

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 171. Which of the following statements is/are not correct?
  - 1. Any nominated member of Parliament who joins any political party after the expiry of six months will be disqualified from its parliament membership on grounds of defection.
  - 2. Decision of the Chairman/ Speaker regarding disqualification on ground of defection will be final and not subject to judicial review.

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

- 172. Consider the following statements:
  - The National Payment Corporation of India oversees digital payments using the Unified Payment Interface (UPI).
  - NPCI was established jointly by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and Security Exchange Board of India (SEBI) under the Payment and Settlement Systems Act of 2007.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 173. Consider the following statements regarding 'Kuno National Park':
  - 1. Kuno National Park is part of the Khathiar-Gir dry deciduous forests.
  - 2. Kuno River, which cuts across the whole length of the National Park, is a tributary of Chambal River.

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
- 174. With reference to the International Court of Justice (ICJ), consider the following statements:
  - 1. The ICJ is advisory in nature and hence, cannot reinforce its judgments on the countries.
  - 2. The ICJ provides resolutions in accordance with both the international law and domestic law of the concerned nations.

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
- 175. Consider the following statements about 'Global Economic Prospects (GEP)':
  - 1. The GEP report is published by the World Economic Forum.
  - 2. According to the report Covid-19 has lowered the potential growth and labor productivity.

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

- 176. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - The Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) is appointed by the Chief Election Commissioner in consultation with the state government.
  - 2. The Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) is appointed as per the Representation of the People Act, 1950.

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
- 177. With reference to the referendum, consider the following statements:
  - 1. There is no particular referendum provision in the Indian Constitution.
  - 2. The referendum is neither unlawful nor forbidden 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
- 178. With reference to the Citizenship of India, consider the following statements:
  - A person born outside India on or after December 10, 1992 is considered as a citizen of India by birth if either of his parents is a citizen of India at the time of his birth.
  - A person can get Indian citizenship by means of registration if he is of Indian origin and is ordinarily resident in India for seven years before making an application for registration.

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:
  - The Indian Federation is not the result of an agreement among the states like the American Federation.
  - 2. The Indian federation is a Union because it is indestructible i.e., the states have no right to secede from the federation.

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

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| 91. (d)  | 92. (a)  | 93. (c)  | 94. (a)  | 95. (d)  | 96. (a)  | 97. (c)  | 98. (b)  | 99. (d)  | 100. (c) |
| 101. (d) | 102. (b) | 103. (c) | 104. (b) | 105. (a) | 106. (a) | 107. (d) | 108. (a) | 109. (b) | 110. (a) |
| 111. (c) | 112. (a) | 113. (b) | 114. (c) | 115. (c) | 116. (d) | 117. (c) | 118. (b) | 119. (a) | 120. (a) |
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| 161. (b) | 162. (c) | 163. (b) | 164. (c) | 165. (c) | 166. (c) | 167. (b) | 168. (d) | 169. (a) | 170. (a) |
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