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- Regarding the Asian Infrastructure Inve stment Bank (AIIB), consider the following statements:
 - 1. India is not only a Founding Member of AIIB but also boasts the largest project portfolio within the institution.
 - 2. All powers of the Bank are vested in the Board of Governors, which is the highest decision-making body.
 - 3. India holds the largest voting share in the AIIB, followed by China and Russia.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 2. Consider the following pairs:
 - Mission
 - 1. Luna-25 France
 - 2. Gaganyaan India
 - 3. Odysseus United States

Which of the pairs given above is/are not correctly matched?

Country

- A. 1 Only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1,2 and 3
- 3. Regarding the Mediterranean Sea, consider the following statements:
 - 1. In the west, it is connected to the Atlantic Ocean via the narrow Strait of Gibraltar.
 - 2. In the extreme northeast, it is connected to the Black Sea via the Dardanelles Strait, the Sea of Marmara, and the Bosporus Strait.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 4. Regarding In Vitro Fertilization (IVF), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a medical procedure aimed at helping individuals or coup les experiencing fertility difficulties to achieve pregnancy.
 - 2. It involves retrieving eggs from ovaries and manually combining them with sperm in a lab for fertilization.
 - 3. The procedure can be performed using either the couple's own eggs and sperm or involve the use of eggs, sperm, or embryos from a donor.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 5. Regarding the Artemis Accords, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Artemis Accords were established by the U.S. for setting common principles to govern civil exploration and the use of outer space for peaceful purposes.
 - 2. India became the 27th country to sign the binding Artemis Accords.
 - Which of the statements given above is/are correct? A. 1 Only
 - B. 2 Only
 - C. Both 1 and 2
 - D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 6. Regarding Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a Central Sector Scheme under the M inistry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfare.
 - 2. It is aimed at developing the governance capabilities of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs).
 - 3. The Revamped RGSA extends to all States and Union Territories (UTs) of the country including institutions of rural local government in non-Part IX areas, where Panchayats do not exist.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct? A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None

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Regarding the National Policy for Rare Diseases 2 021, consider the following statements:

- 1. It provides financial assistance of up to Rs. 20 lakhs for a one-time treatment and introduces a crowd-funding mechanism.
- 2. To access financial aid for rare disease treatment, patients from the local area can visit the nearest Centre of Excellence for assessment and to access benefits.
- 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
- 8. Regarding the Aegean Sea, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is an arm of the Black Sea, located between the Gree k peninsula on the west and Asia Minor on the east.
 - 2. The Aegean is connected through the straits of the Dardanelles, the Sea of Marmara, and the Bosporus to the Mediterranean Sea.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 9. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The standard borrowing limit for states is set a t 3% of the Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP).
 - States are granted an additional 0.5% of their Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) in borrowing capacity as a performance-based incentive for implementing power sector reforms.
 - Without the consent of the Government of India, a State cannot raise a loan if any portion of a loan previously provided by the Government of India or its predecessor remains outstanding.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
- 10. Regarding the Samagra Shiksha Scheme, co nsider the following statements:
 - 1. It is an integrated scheme for school education covering the entire gamut from pre-school to post-graduation.
 - 2. It is a centrally sponsored scheme launched by the Ministry of Education and entails a 60:40 funding split between the Centre and most States.
 - 3. It has been upgraded to align with the Sustainable Development Goal for Education and the new National Education Policy introduced in 2020.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 11. Regarding National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, consider th e following statements:
 - The National Policy on Education (NPE) was first formulated in 1968, based on the recommendations of Dr. K Kasturirangan.
 - 2. The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, India's first education policy of the 21st century, supersedes the prior National Policy on Education (NPE) 1986.
 - Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - A. 1 Only
 - B. 2 Only
 - C. Both 1 and 2
 - D. Neither 1 nor 2

- 12. Regarding Sati, consider the following statem ents:
 - Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar initiated a campaign against the Sati practice by writing articles in Sambad Kaumudi, demonstrating that it was not prescribed in any Veda or epic.
 - Lord William Bentinck formally prohibited the practice of Sati in all territories under the Bengal Presidency through the Bengal Sati Regulation of 1829.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 13. Which of the following is part of the Rule of Law?
 - 1. Supremacy of the law
 - 2. Equality before the law
 - 3. Predominance of legal spirit

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 Only
- B. 1 and 2 Only
- C. 2 and 3 Only
- D. 1,2 and 3
- 14. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940, oversees the import, production, and distribution of drugs in India to ensure their safety, efficacy, and compliance with quality standards.
 - 2. The classification of the medical device rules, along with the regulatory approval and registration by the CDSCO, is under the control of the Drug Controller General of India (DCGI).

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. Regarding the Clinical Trials Registry India (CTRI), consider the following statements:
 - It is an online, free and searchable system for the prospective registration of all clinical studies being conducted in India and is managed by the ICMR-National Institute of Medical Statistics.
 - Registration of all regulatory clinical trials is purely optional according to the Drugs Controller General (India) (DCGI).

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

- 16. Consider the following statements: Statement-I: Solid Waste Management Rules 2016 replaced the Municipal Solid Wastes (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000. Statement-II: They emphasize waste segregation at its origin, mandate manufacturers to manage sanitary and packaging waste and impose user fees on bulk waste generators for collection, disposal, and processing. Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements? A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct 17. Consider the following statements : 1. The Gaza Strip, located in the eastern Mediterranean
 - basin, is bordered by Egypt to the southwest, Israel to the north and east, and the Mediterranean Sea to the west.
 - 2. The territories of Gaza and the West Bank are separated from each other by Israeli territory.

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. Regarding the U.N. World Food Programme (WFP), consider the following statements:
 - It was founded in 1961 by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) with its headquarters in Geneva.
 - 2. It collaborates closely with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 19. Regarding the Cairns Group, consider the following statements:
 - It is a coalition of 20 agricultural fair-trading countries which together account for almost 30 percent of the world's agricultural exports.
 - 2. The Group comprising of developing nations only from six continents, pledges to attain equitable and sustainable agricultural trade for the benefit of the developing world.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 20. Regarding Rice, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Rice cultivation thrives in hot and humid climates, particularly in regions with high humidity, prolonged sunshine, and a reliable water supply.
 - 2. Rice is a carbohydrate-rich nutritional staple that offers quick energy but is low in nitrogenous substances and has negligible fat content.
 - 3. Thailand is the largest exporter of rice in the world, followed by India.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct? A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
- 21. Regarding critical minerals, consider the following statements:
 - The Centre of Excellence on Critical Minerals" (CECM) role is to update India's list of critical minerals every three years and notify the critical mineral strategy periodically.
 - Khanij Bidesh India Ltd. (KABIL) is a joint venture company formed to secure a steady supply of critical and strategic minerals for the Indian domestic market.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 22. Consider the following:

Statement-I: Critical minerals, essential for economic development and national security, are indispensable for the future global economy, supporting technologies in sectors like high-tech electronics, telecommunications, transport, and defense.

Statement-II: The concentration of critical mineral extraction or processing in a few geographical locations, coupled with their limited availability, can result in supply chain vulnerabilities and potential disruptions in supply. Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

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

Statement-I: Semiconductors and displays are the foundation of modern electronics, driving the next phase of digital transformation under Industry 4.0.

Statement-II: Semiconductors, serving as the core of modern electronics and ICT products, are crucial components found in contemporary automobiles, household gadgets, and vital medical devices.

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

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

24. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Swachh Bharat Kosh Trust aims to collect Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) funds from the corporate sector and donations from individuals and philanthropists to support the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.
- 2. The Ministry of Finance granted the Trust exemptions under the Foreign Contributions (Regulation) Act (FCRA) to receive foreign contributions in a dedicated bank account.

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
- 25. Regarding Refugee, consider the following statements:
 - 1. A refugee is an individual who has left their country due to the threat of severe human rights abuses and persecution.
 - 2. They are entitled to international protection under the UN Refugee Convention and its protocol.
 - 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
- 26. Regarding Human papillomavirus (HPV), consider the following statements:
 - 1. Human papillomavirus (HPV) is a common sexually transmitted infection that can affect the skin, genital area, and throat.
 - 2. At least 14 types of Human Papillomavirus(HPV) have the potential to cause cancer, with HPV types 16 and 18 being the most oncogenic.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 27. Regarding Tripura Tribal Areas Autonomous District Council (TTADC), consider the following statements:
 - It was formed under the sixth schedule of the Constitution in 1985 to ensure development and secure the rights and cultural heritage of the tribal communities.
 - 2. It has only executive powers and covers nearly twothirds of the state's geographical area.
 - Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - A. 1 Only
 - B. 2 Only
 - C. Both 1 and 2
 - D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 28. Consider the following statements:
 - Grey Hydrogen is naturally occurring in the Earth's crust and is seen as a promising clean energy source, often found in combination with other molecules.
 - 2. White hydrogen primarily derived from coal or lignite gasification or steam methane reformation (SMR) of natural gas or methane, typically involves carbon-intensive procedures.
 - 3. White hydrogen deposits have been found across the world, including in the US, Eastern Europe, Russia, Australia, France, and other countries.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 29. Regarding the Competition Commission of India (CCI), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a statutory body established under the Competition Act, 2002.
 - 2. It has the composition of a quasi-judicial body, with one chairperson and six additional members.
 - 3. Members of the CCI are appointed by a panel comprising the Prime Minister, the Home Minister, and the leader of the opposition in Lok Sabha.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None

- 30. Regarding Spiti Valley, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a cold desert mountain valley located in the northeastern part of Jammu Kashmir.
 - 2. It is located in the rain shadow region of the Greater Himalayan ranges.
 - 3. The valley is bounded by the districts of Kinnaur in the southeast, Kullu in the south, and the valleys of Zanskar & Ladakh in the north.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
- 31. Regarding the Deepor Beel, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a permanent freshwater lake and also a bird sanctuary in Karnataka.
 - 2. It is a riverine wetland located in a former channel of the Brahmaputra River, positioned south of the main river channel.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 32. Regarding the National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG), consider the following statements:
 - The NJDG portal is a national repository of data relating to cases instituted, pending, and disposed of by the courts across the country.
 - 2. It was built as part of Phase II of the e-Courts project, which is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 33. Consider the following statements:
 - A navy whose operations are restricted close to the shore, where the water is muddy, is called a Brown Water Force.
 - 2. Blue Water Force can carry out operations far from its borders, without being required to return to its home port to refuel or re-stock.
 - 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. Regarding Clustered Regularly Interspaced Short Palindromic Repeats(CRISPR) Technology, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a gene editing technology, which replicates the natural defense mechanisms in bacteria to fight virus attacks, using a special protein called Cas9.
 - 2. CRISPR technology stands out for its simplicity, exceptional accuracy, and the need to introduce external genes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 35. 'Silphium', which was recently seen in the news is:
 - A. An ancient Roman Herb
 - B. An Artificial Intelligence Tool
 - C. An indigenously developed Coffee Variety
 - D. None of the above
- 36. Consider the following:

Statement-I: The genome encompasses an organism's entire genetic material, with the human genome being largely consistent among individuals, albeit with minor variations in a small portion of the DNA.

Statement-II: Each genome comprises the complete set of instructions required for constructing and sustaining an organism, with the human genome consisting of over 3 billion DNA base pairs.

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

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 37. Regarding Golan Heights, consider the following statements:
 - It is surrounded by the Jordan River and the Sea of Galilee to the west, Mount Hermon to the north, the seasonal Wadi Al-Ruqqād River to the east, and the Yarmūk River to the south.
 - 2. Israel seized the Golan Heights from Syria in the closing stages of the 1967 Six-Day 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

- 38. Regarding Household Consumption Expenditure Survey, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is usually conducted by the Reserve Bank of India every five years.
 - 2. It seeks to estimate household Monthly Per Capita Consumption Expenditure (MPCE) and its distribution, delineating between rural and urban sectors.
 - 3. The data plays a key role in reviewing critical economic indicators, including the Gross Domestic Product (GDP), poverty levels, and Consumer Price Inflation (CPI).
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
- 39. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The WTO's Appellate Body is composed of seven Members who are appointed by the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) to serve a four-year term.
 - 2. The DSB can set up dispute settlement panels, send matters to arbitration, oversee the implementation of recommendations, and permit the suspension of concessions in case of non-compliance.
 - 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
- 40. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The mismanaged waste index is the ratio of the mismanaged waste and the total waste.
 - 2. Plastic Overshoot Day is determined based on a country's Mismanaged Waste Index (MWI).
 - Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - A. 1 Only
 - B. 2 Only
 - C. Both 1 and 2

Island

- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 41. Consider the following pairs:

Country

- 1. Agalega China
- 2. Reunion Island France
- 3. Diego Garcia United Kingdom
- Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

- 42. Regarding Greater Adjutant Storks, consider the following statements:
 - Once widespread in South and Southeast Asia, the Greater Adjutant stork is now among the most endangered species of its kind globally.
 - Only three breeding grounds are known of it, all located in India.
 - 3. It is listed in Schedule I Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 43. Which of the following will lead to the disqualification of a member of parliament under the tenth schedule of the constitution?
 - 1. If he voluntarily gives up membership of the political party on whose ticket he is elected to the House.
 - 2. If he votes or abstains from voting in the House contrary to any direction given by his political party.
 - 3. If any independently elected member joins the ruling party.
 - Select the correct answer using the code given below:
 - A. 1 only
 - B. 1 and 2 only
 - C. 2 and 3 only
 - D. 1, 2 and 3
- 44. Regarding the Minerals Security Partnership (MSP), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is an initiative by India to bolster critical mineral supply chains.
 - 2. The alliance aims to ensure that countries can fully benefit economically from their geological resources by responsibly producing, processing, and recycling critical minerals.
 - The focus of the grouping is on the supply chains of minerals such as Cobalt, Nickel, Lithium, and also the 17 "rare earth" minerals.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 45. Regarding the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is the apex research and development wing of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
 - 2. It was set up to build supercomputers in the context of the denial of the import of supercomputers by the USA.
 - 3. C-DAC built India's first indigenously built supercomputer, the Param 8000, in 1991.

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

46. Consider the following statements:

- 1. An asylum seeker is an individual who asserts refugee status but has yet to undergo a formal assessment, transitioning to refugee status upon a successful evaluation of their claim.
- 2. Refugee Status Determination (RSD) is a legal procedure employed by governments or the UNHCR to ascertain an asylum seeker's refugee status under international, national, or regional legislation.

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
- 47. Regarding the Genome India Project, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Genome India Project is a gene mapping project sanctioned by the Department of Biotechnology.
 - 2. This project will enable researchers to study genetic variations specific to India's population groups, facilitating the customization of drugs and therapies.
 - 3. The Indian Biological Data Centre (IBDC), inaugurated in 2022, will store the entire dataset and make it available as a digital public good or research, being the country's only databank.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 48. Quartet Road Map and Arab Peace Initiative are often seen in the news in the context of:
 - A. Iran-Israel
 - B. Israel-Palestine
 - C. Iran-Saudia Arabia
 - D. Iran-United States
- 49. Regarding the Black Sea Grain initiative, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It endeavors to tackle escalating food prices emanating from supply chain disruptions because of the Russian-Ukrainian conflict.
 - 2. The deal put in place a Joint Coordination Centre (JCC), comprising senior representatives from Russia, Turkey, Ukraine, and the UN for oversight and coordination.

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. Regarding Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme.
 - It offers capital subsidies ranging from 35% to 75% of the eligible project cost, with a maximum specified limit, to investors for infrastructure, logistic projects, and food processing units.
 - 3. The objective of PMKSY is to supplement agriculture, modernize processing, and decrease Agri-Waste.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 51. Regarding the Gini coefficient, consider the following statements:
 - It is a measure of the distribution of income across a population.
 - It is often used as a gauge of economic inequality, measuring income distribution or, less commonly, wealth distribution among a population.
 - 3. A higher Gini index indicates greater inequality, with high-income individuals receiving much larger percentages of the total income of the population.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 52. Consider the following statements:
 - The superintendence, direction, and control of the preparation of electoral rolls and the conduct of all elections to the municipalities shall be vested in the state election commission.
 - 2. The responsibility to make provisions concerning all matters relating to elections to the municipalities though lies solely with the parliament.

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

- 53. Regarding the Global Biodiversity Framework Fund, consider the following statements:
 - It will help countries achieve the 23 targets set under the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF).
 - 2. It will be managed by the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and raise funds through private, philanthropic, and government investments.
 - Decisions of the GBF Fund Council are to be taken by majority vote, along the lines of the Global Environment Facility(GEF) Instrument.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 54. Regarding Mutual Funds, consider the following statements:
 - 1. A mutual fund pools money from investors to invest in securities (debt, equity, or both) on their behalf, charging a small management fee.
 - 2. Mutual Fund is the only security that is managed by the Reserve Bank of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 55. Regarding Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), consider the following statements:
 - 1. India was among the first countries globally to mandate Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) for corporations under the Companies Act, 2013.
 - 2. India is perhaps the only country that makes both the spending and reporting of CSR obligations mandatory.
 - 3. Every eligible company must form a Corporate Social Responsibility Committee comprising a minimum of three directors, including at least one independent director.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 56. Regarding the Judge of the High Court, consider the following statements:
 - 1. He holds office until he attains the age of 65 years.
 - 2. He can resign his office by writing to the president.

3. He can be removed from his office by the President on the recommendation of the Parliament.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 57. Regarding India-Nepal Relations, consider the follow ing statements:
 - Nepal borders five Indian states, spanning over 1850 km, including Assam, West Bengal, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, and Uttarakhand.
 - 2. Under a revised Treaty of Transit, Nepal now has access to India's inland waterways and ports like Haldia, Kolkata, Paradip etc, for third-country trade.

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
- 58. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. A municipal corporation comprises the council, standing committees, and the commissioner as its authorities.
 - The Council, as per the 74th Constitutional Amendment Act, includes elected Councilors and nominated members.
 - In most states, the Council is headed by a Mayor, supported by a Deputy Mayor, elected for a one-year term, primarily serving as a ceremonial head and presiding over council meetings.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

1.

2.

3.

59. Consider the following pairs:

Islands	Dispute Between Countries				
Scarborough Shoal	Malaysia, India				
Paracel Island	China, Taiwan, Vietnam				
Spratly Island	China, Taiwan, Nepal				

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

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

- 60. Regarding the Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act (PCA), 2 018, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It aimed to align the PCA with the United Nations Convention against Corruption 2005, ratified by India in 2011.
 - 2. A commercial organization committing offenses listed in the PCA with the intent to gain or maintain business or advantage shall be punishable.
 - 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

61. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The 56th constitutional amendment led to the establishment of the special court across the country to fast-track the long-pending trials of lawmakers.
- 2. The special court in each State has jurisdiction over the entire State while the two in Delhi cover cases within the precincts of Delhi or "partly Delhi".

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 62. Regarding the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 consider the following statements:
 - The Act assigns absolute power to the central government, by way of which if the Centre deems an activity as unlawful then it may, by way of an Official Gazette, declare it so.
 - 2. It only applies to the Indian citizen.
 - 3. Under the UAPA, the investigating agency can file a charge sheet in maximum of 180 days after the arrests and the duration can be extended further after intimating the court.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 63. Regarding Forest Rights A ct, 2006, consider the following statements:
 - It acknowledges and grants forest rights and occupation to Forest Dwelling Scheduled Tribes (FDST) and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (OTFD) who have lived in these forests for generations.
 - 2. It identifies four types of rights namely Title rights, Relief and development rights, Forest management rights, and Use rights.

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. Consider the following statements:
 - Statement-I: The Constitution authorizes Parliament to rea llocate seats in the Lok Sabha and State Legislative Assemblies post-census via the Delimitation Commission Act, forming an independent Delimitation Commission.
 Statement-II: The Delimitation Commission is appointed by the President and works in collaboration with the Election Commission.

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

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 65. 'Closing the Women's Health Gap' Report was relea sed by which of the following:
 - A. World Economic Forum
 - B. World Health Organisation
 - C. World Bank
 - D. International Monetary Fund
- 66. Regarding Wild Life (Protection) Licensing (Additional Matter s for Consideration) Rules, 2024, consider the following statements:
 - The new guidelines eliminate licensing restrictions for trading in Schedule II species, allowing for easier approval without central government consultation.
 - The new guidelines prohibit granting licenses for Schedule I wild animals without prior consultation with the Central Government, maintaining restrictions on highly protected species like tigers, elephants, and rhinos.

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 67. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Kerala has recently declared man-animal conflict as a state-specific disaster.
 - 2. The forest department is respon sible for managing human-wildlife conflict in accordance with the Wildlife Protection Act,1972.
 - 3. When a state-specific disaster is declared, the state disaster management authority, empowered by the Disaster Management Act,2005 takes swift and decisive action.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 68. Consider the following pairs:
 - National Park
 - 1. Jim Corbett National Park Uttarakhand

State

- 2. Kuno National Park Gujarat
- 3. Raimona National Park Uttar Pradesh

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

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

69. Regarding U-WIN, consider the following statements:

- U-WIN, a program digitizing India's Universal Immunization Program (UIP), is launched in pilot mode in two districts per state and Union Territory.
- U-WIN will serve as the central hub for immunization services, including vaccination status updates, delivery outcomes, planning of RI sessions, and reports on antigen-wise coverage.

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
- 70. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The South China Sea lies south of China, bordered by Myanmar, China, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Taiwan, and Vietnam.
 - China's nine-dash line, originally an "eleven-dash line" until 1953, delineates its sea claims, extending up to 2,000 km from the mainland near the Philippines, Malaysia, and Vietnam.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 71. Regarding Union Territories, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Part VIII of the Constitution deals with union t erritories.
 - 2. The President administers every union territory through an appointed administrator, who, unlike a governor, is an agent of the President and not a head of state.

3. The President can appoint the governor of a state as the administrator of an adjoining union territory, where the governor must act independently of his council of ministers.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 72. Regarding Central Zoo Authority, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a statutory body under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climat e Change.
 - 2. It is chaired by the Secretary of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change and has 15 other members.
 - 3. The main objective of the authority is to complement and strengthen the national effort in the conservation of rich biodiversity.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct? A. Only One
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
- 73. Regarding Payments Bank, consider the following statem ents:
 - It is registered as a public limited company under the Companies Act 2013 and licensed under Section 22 of the Banking Regulation Act 1949.
 - 2. 50% of the demand deposit balance must be invested in secure government securities in the form of Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR).

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 74. Regarding El Nino, consider the following statements:
 - During El Nino, global regions, including India, typically experience warmer temperatures and reduced rainfall compared to normal conditions.
 - 2. The El Nino event is a recurring annual phenomenon.
 - Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - A. 1 Only
 - B. 2 Only
 - C. Both 1 and 2
 - D. Neither 1 nor 2

- 75. Regarding India Stack, consider the following statements:
 - It is a set of Application Programming Interface (APIs) that allows governments, businesses, startups, and developers to utilize a unique digital Infrastructure.
 - India Stack is a government-driven effort to establish a strong digital framework facilitating diverse digital services in various sectors, with its components owned and managed by distinct agencies.
 - INDIA STACK comprises an Aadhaar for unique biometric identification, a Unified Payments Interface (UPI) for immediate digital payments, and a Digital Locker for secure storage of personal documents.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 76. Regarding the Bhashini Platform, consider the following statements:
 - It aims to facilitate convenient internet and digital s ervice accessibility in Indian languages, including voice-based options, and promote content creation in those languages.
 - It aims to provide Artificial Intelligence and Natural Language Processing (NLP) resources in the public domain for use by Indian MSMEs, startups, and individual innovators.
 - 3. It is not a part of the National Language Translation Mission.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 77. Consider the following:

Statements-I: Green Climate Fund (GCF) is a key part of the Paris Agreement and is the largest global fund dedicated to helping developing nations achieve their low-emis sion, climate-resilient goals outlined in their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs).

Statement-II: The Green Climate Fund (GCF) prioritizes a country-driven approach, allowing developing nations to lead programming and implementation, ensuring their ownership of financing decisions, and enabling them to translate NDC ambitions into climate action.

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

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

- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 78. Regarding the National Ayush Mission, consid er the following statements:
 - It aims to improve Ayush healthcare services nationwide through Ayush Health and Wellness Centers (AHWCs) under the Ayushman Bharat scheme.
 - 2. Compulsory components of the mission include AYUSH services, educational institutions, quality control of ASU & H drugs, and medicinal plants.
 - The Union Cabinet has recently approved the operationalization of multiple Ayush Health and Wellness Centers under a Centrally Sector Scheme.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
- 79. Regarding the Commonwealth of Nations, consider the following st atements:
 - 1. The Commonwealth of Nations is a group of 56 countries composed mostly of former British colonies.
 - 2. It was established by the London Declaration in 1949.
 - 3. All its members are exclusively from developing countries.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
- 80. Regarding Snow Leopard, consider the following sta tements:
 - Snow leopards are crucial as a top predator, indicating the health of their high-altitude habitat and the impacts of climate change on mountain environments.
 - Bhutan has officially declared the Snow Leopard as its national symbol, signifying its commitment to conservation and ecological balance.

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

- 81. Regarding NBFC, consider the following statements:
 - An NBFC, registered under the Companies Act, 1956, conducts financial activities such as lending, and investing in securities, excluding agricultural, and real estate activities.
 - 2. These institutions are generally permitted to accept traditional demand deposits from the public.
 - Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - A. 1 Only
 - B. 2 Only
 - C. Both 1 and 2
 - D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 82. Regarding the Beti Bachao Beti Padhao Scheme, consider the following statements:
 - It is a Tri-ministerial effort of the Ministries of Women and Child Development (MW&CD), the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MH&FW), and the Ministry of Education.
 - 2. The Central Government has expanded the 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' (BBBP) scheme to include skill development for girls in non-traditional livelihoods.

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
- 83. Regarding the Line of Control, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Line of Control (LoC) emerged from the 1948 ceasefire line negotiated by the United Nations (UN) after the Kashmir War.
 - 2. It was designated as the LoC in 1972, following the Shimla Agreement between India and Pakistan.
 - 3. LoC is demarcated up to the Siachen Glacier- the world's highest battlefield.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
- 84. Regarding Watershed, consider the following statements:
 - A watershed (also called a drainage basin/catchment area) is an area of land that drains or "sheds" water into a specific waterbody.
 - 2. It is not an independent drainage unit for surface water runoff.
 - One watershed is separated from another by a natural boundary known as the water divide or the ridge line.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 85. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Lingayats are the followers of the 12th-century social reformer-philosopher poet, Basaveshwara.
 - 2. The Lingayats are devout followers of Polytheism, worshipping multiple Gods.
 - 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
- 86. Consider the following:

Statement-I: The Generation Equality Forum, organized by UN Women, united governments, corporations, and advocates worldwide to announce and commit to significant investments and policies for gender equality. Statement-II: The Forum's ambitious action agenda is driven by multi-stakeholder Action Coalitions, who together developed a Global Acceleration Plan to advance gender equality.

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

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 87. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Article 27 of the Indian constitution prohibits human trafficking and begar.
 - 2. Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956 (ITPA) serves as the primary law aimed at preventing trafficking specifically for commercial sexual exploitation.
 - 3. Interpol's Operation Storm Makers II has exposed the growing network of fraudulent activities linked to human trafficking.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None

- 88. Consider the following statements:
 - UN's Commission On the Status Of Women is the principal global intergovernmental body exclusively dedicated to the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women.
 - 2. India has been elected as a member of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) under the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) for the 2021-2025 term.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1. 1 Only
- 2. 2 Only
- 3. Both 1 and 2
- 4. Neither 1 nor 2
- 89. Regarding INS Jatayu, consider the following statements:
 - 1. INS Jatayu is the first Naval base in Lakshadweep.
 - 2. Its establishment on Minicoy will enhance Navy surveillance and operations, overlooking vital Sea Lines of Communication (SLOCs) in the Arabian Sea.

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
- 90. Regarding Parliamentary Privileges, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Parliamentary privileges are special rights, immunities, and exemptions enjoyed by the members of the Parliament and their committees.
 - Article 194 of the Indian Constitution defines privileges for Members of Parliament, while Article 105 guarantees the same for Members of Legislative Assemblies of 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
- 91. Consider the following:

Statement-I: The 7-Judge Constitution Bench reversed the 1998 P.V. Narasimha Rao v. State Case, establishing that MPs and MLAs are not immune if they accept bribes for their votes.

Statement-II: Accepting a bribe is a separate criminal act, unrelated to the core duties of lawmakers within the Parliament or legislative assembly.

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

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

- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 92. Regarding the National Health Policy (NHP), 2017, consider the following statements:
 - It aims at achieving universal health coverage and delivering quality healthcare services to all at affordable cost.
 - 2. It's the first health policy after post-independence India.
 - 3. It aims to increase life expectancy to 70 years from 67.5 years.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 93. Consider the following statements:
 - Multilateral Free Trade Agreements involve multiple countries and aim to liberalize trade by reducing or eliminating tariffs, import quotas, and other trade restrictions.
 - Regional Free Trade Agreements, akin to multilateral FTAs, typically encompass countries in a specific geographic area, aiming to boost trade and economic collaboration within that zone.
 - 3. Preferential Trade Agreements (PTAs) provide preferential access to specific products by reducing, not eliminating, tariffs.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 94. Regarding the European Free Trade Association (EFTA), consider the following statements:
 - It was set up by the Stockholm Convention in 1960 by its then-seven Member States for the promotion of free trade and economic integration between its members.
 - 2. The organization operates alongside the European Union, with its four member states participating in the European Single Market and the European Union Customs Union but not in the Schengen Area.

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

95. Consider the following statements:

- 1. In 1921, the Imperial Bank of India was formed by the merger of the three Presidency Banks of Madras, Bombay, and Bengal.
- 2. Prior to 1935, the Imperial Bank of India assumed central banking duties alongside its commercial banking roles, including serving as the government's banker, a banker's bank, and a clearinghouse.
- 3. The government nationalized the Imperial Bank in 1954, leading to the formation of the State Bank of India.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 96. Consider the following statements:
 - Penicillin G is the Active Pharmaceutical Ingredient (API) used in manufacturing several common antibiotics.
 - 2. APIs, also called bulk drugs, are significant ingredients in the manufacture of drugs.
 - 3. Tamil Nadu is the hub of the API manufacturing industry.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 97. Regarding Multiple Independently Targetable Re-entry Vehicle (MIRV), consider the following statements:
 - Multiple Independently Targetable Re-entry Vehicle (MIRV) allows a single missile to carry multiple warheads, each capable of targeting different locations independently.
 - 2. The only limitation of MIRVs is that they can only be launched from land-based platforms.

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. Consider the following statements:
 - The Agni-5 test flight was the first in India to demonstrate Multiple Independently Targetable Re-entry Vehicle (MIRV) technology, enabling the deployment of multiple warheads to various locations in a single launch.
 - Agni, developed by DRDO, is an indigenously produced intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) with a range exceeding 5,000 km.
 - Presently, the United States, the United Kingdom, Sweden, Russia, China, and India possess MIRV technology.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 99. Regarding the Baltic Sea, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a part of the North Atlantic Ocean, situated in Northern Europe.
 - 2. It stretches from southern Denmark to nearly the Arctic Circle, acting as a boundary between the Scandinavian Peninsula and continental Europe.
 - It is the world's smallest body of brackish water, with lower salinity levels than the World's Oceans, because of the inflow of fresh water from the surrounding land and its shallow depth.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 100. Consider the following statements:
 - Strategic nuclear weapons are designed for broader objectives, like targeting cities or larger strategic areas, with significant war-waging capabilities.
 - 2. Tactical Nuclear Weapons (TNWs) are utilized for targeted battlefield advantages, aiming to destroy enemy targets in a localized area with minimal radioactive fallout and widespread damage.
 - 3. India does not possess Tactical Nuclear Weapons (TNWs).

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 101. Regarding Biodiversity Hotspots, consider the following statements:
 - A hotspot must have a high percentage of plant life found nowhere else on the planet, with at least 1,500 species of vascular plants, representing over 0.5% of the world's total.
 - The habitat must have lost a minimum of 70% of its original area, indicating that it is now threatened, with 30% or less of its original natural vegetation remaining.

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

102. Pushpagiri Wildlife Sanctuary (PWS) is located in which	106. Consider the following pairs:
of the state?	City Country
A. Karnataka	1. Gelephu Bhutan
B. Assam	2. Nusantara Indonesia
C. Manipur	3. Neom Saudia Arabia
D. Tamil Nadu	How many of the pairs given above are correct?
103. Consider the following statements:	A. Only One
1. A Giffen good is a low-income, non-luxury product	B. Only Two
for which demand increases as the price increases	C. All Three
and vice versa.	D. None
2. A Giffen good has an upward-sloping demand curve	107. Consider the following pairs:
which is contrary to the fundamental laws of	Operations Country
demand which are based on a downward-sloping	1. Operation All Clear China
demand curve.	2. Operation 1027 Myanmar
3. Demand for Giffen goods is heavily influenced by a	3. Operation Kaveri Saudia Arabia
lack of close substitutes and income pressures.	· ·
How many of the statements given above are correct?	How many of the pairs given above are correct? A. Only One
A. Only One	
B. Only Two	
C. All Three	C. All Three
D. None	D. None
	108. Regarding the International North-South Transport
104. Consider the following:	Corridor (INSTC), consider the following statements:
Statement-I: Bt cotton is genetically modified through	1. It is a multi-modal transportation route connecting
the insertion of genes from Bacillus thuringiensis, a soil	the Pacific Oc ean and the Persian Gulf to the Caspian
bacterium, to create transgenic plants.	Sea through Iran, extending to northern Europe via
Statement-II: These proteins effectively kill major cotton caterpillar pests like tobacco budworm and bollworm	St. Petersburg, Russia.
larvae.	2. The corridor comprises seaports on the Persian Gulf
Which one of the following is correct in respect of the	and in the Caspian region, along with road and rail
above statements?	routes.
A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and	Which of the statements given above is/are correct? A. 1 Only
Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I	B. 2 Only
B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and	C. Both 1 and 2
Statement-II is not the correct explanation for	
Statement-I	D. Neither 1 nor 2
C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect	109. Regarding the Namami Gange Programme, consider the
D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct	following statements:
405 Description IT (laborated to a Colidadian end Divital Mardia	1. Approved as a 'Flagship Programme' by th e Union
105. Regarding IT (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021, consider the following	Government in 2014 with a budget outlay of Rs.
statements:	20,000 Crores, it is an integrated conservation
1. The 2021 Rules define social media intermediaries	mission.
as intermediaries that primarily or solely enable	2. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate
online interaction between two or more users.	Change administers it to achieve two goals: effectively reducing pollution and conserving and
2. The Fact Check Unit has limitless powers to decide	rejuvenating the National River Ganga.
what information is false and compel social media	3. A three-tier monitoring mechanism exists for project
intermediaries to act based on these findings.	implementation.
Which of the statements given above is/are correct?	How many of the statements given above are correct?
A. 1 Only	A. Only One
B. 2 Only	B. Only Two
C. Both 1 and 2	C. All Three
D. Neither 1 nor 2	D. None
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- 110. Regarding the Central Water Commission, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is India's leading technical organization in water resources, currently operating as an attached office of the Ministry of Jal Shakti under the Government of India.
 - 2. It is headed by the Minister of Jal Shakti.
 - 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. Regarding the Human Development Index (HDI), consider the following statements:
 - It is a comprehensive measure that combines a country's average achievements in health, education, and standard of living.
 - It has been published biennially by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) since 1990.
 - India's rank improved from 135 to 134 in 2022, accompanied by advancements in all HDI indicators including life expectancy, education, and Gross National Income per capita.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 112. Composite Water Managem ent Index is released by which of the following:
 - A. NITI Aayog
 - B. Ministry of Jal Shakti
 - C. Central Water Commission
 - D. Central Pollution Control Board
- 113. Consider the following pairs:
 - Port Country
 - 1. Chattogram Bangladesh
 - 2. Mongla Maldives
 - 3. Kyaukpyu Myanmar
 - Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
 - A. 1 only
 - B. 1 and 3 only
 - C. 2 and 3 only
 - D. 1, 2 and 3
- 114. Regarding Article 356, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is based on the Government of India Act, 1 935.
 - 2. According to Article 356, the President's Rule can be imposed on any state of India on the grounds of the failure of the constitutional machinery.

3. The President's Rule can be initially imposed for six months and extended for up to five years, subject to parliamentary approval every year.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 115. The Artificial Intelligence Act, 2024 was recently passed by w hich of the following:
 - A. European Union
 - B. India
 - C. China
 - D. United States
- 116. Regarding the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), consi der the following statements:
 - 1. Established in 1949 through the signing of the Washington Treaty, NATO is a security alliance.
 - 2. Ukraine officially became the 32nd member of NATO, ending its decades-long post-World War II neutrality.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 117. Regarding Fiat money, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Fiat money is a currency issued by a government or private entity that is not backed by a commodity like gold.
 - 2. Fiat money gives central banks greater control over the economy because they can control how much money is printed.
 - 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. Regarding an Initial Public Offering (IPO), consi der the following statements:
 - 1. It involves a privately owned or government-owned company raising funds by selling shares to the public or new investors.
 - 2. Following the IPO, the company is listed on the stock exchange.
 - A listed company can raise share capital for growth and expansion in the future through a follow-on public offering or FPO.

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

- 119. Regarding the Electoral Trusts Scheme, consider the f ollowing statements:
 - 1. Only companies registered under Section 25 of the Companies Act, 1956 are eligible to apply as Electoral Trusts, requiring renewal every three financial years.
 - 2. Electoral trusts are required to donate 95% of their annual contributions to political parties registered under the Representation of the People Act, 1951.

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
- 120. Regarding the International Institute for Democracy a nd Electoral Assistance, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Established in 1995 it is an intergovernmental organization with a mission to promote sustainable democracy globally.
 - 2. India is not a member of this organization.
 - 3. It has been granted UN observer status.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
- 121. Regarding Lal Bahadur Shastri, consider the following statements:
 - 1. He served as the President of the Servants of People Society which was founded by Lala Lajpat Rai that worked for the upliftment of Harijans.
 - 2. In 1930, he was given the position of President of the Allahabad Congress Committee.
 - 3. He also participated in the Civil Disobedience Movement to encourage people to oppose paying land profits and taxes to the government.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
- 122. Regarding the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT), consider the following statements:
 - It's a quasi-judicial body established to address civil corporate disputes arising under the Companies Act, 2013.
 - 2. It was established on the recommendation of the Balakrishna Eradi committee.
 - 3. It has the power to enforce its order, similar to courts.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 123. Regarding the Purchasing Managers Index (PMI), consider the following statements:
 - It is a survey-based measure that asks the respondents about changes in their perception of key business variables as compared with the previous month.
 - 2. It is calculated separately for the manufacturing and services sectors and then a composite index is also constructed.
 - 3. PMI is compiled by the World Trade Organisation for more than 40 economies worldwide.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 124. Regarding No-Confidence Motion, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Constitution of India explicitly mentions the procedure for the No Confidence Motion.
 - Any Lok Sabha MP, who can garner the support of 50 colleagues, can, at any point of time, introduce a motion of no-confidence against the Council of Ministers.
 - 3. A no-confidence motion can be moved in either of the houses.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None
- 125. Regarding the Model Code of Conduct, consider the following statements:
 - The Model Code of Conduct (MCC) is an agreed-upon set of norms and principles that direct the behavior of political parties and candidates during elections.
 - 2. Under the Model Code of Conduct (MCC), critiques of political parties must concentrate solely on their policies, past performance, and accomplishments.
 - 3. The MCC has statutory backing under the Representation of People Act, 1951.

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

- 126. Regarding the Competition Commission of India (CCI), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a statutory body of the Government of India and was established under the Competition Act, 2002.
 - 2. CCI aims to establish and maintain equitable competition in the economy, ensuring a level playing field for producers and benefiting consumers.
 - 3. The Commission consists of one Chairperson and six Members who shall be appointed by the Central Government.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 127. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Membership to the Indian Ocean Rim Association is open to all sovereign states of the Indian Ocean Rim willing to subscribe to the principles and objectives of the Charter.

Statement-II: It is an intergovernmental organization established to promote economic cooperation and regional integration among countries bordering the Indian Ocean.

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

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 128. Regarding Colombo Security Conclave (CSC), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a regional security grouping comprising India, Sri Lanka, the Maldives, and Mauritius.
 - It has a permanent secretariat in New Delhi, which was established in 2021 to coordinate activities and implement decisions made at the National Security Advisor (NSA) level meetings.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 129. Regarding the Fifth Schedule of the Indian Constitution, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It deals with the management and administration of Scheduled Areas and Scheduled tribes where tribal groups predominate.

2. The Fifth Schedule applies to the administration and control of Scheduled Areas and Scheduled Tribes in any state except Assam, Manipur, Tripura, and Mizoram.

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
- 130. Consider the following:

Statement-I: Carrying capacity is the maximum population an ecosystem can support sustainably without harming its resources or health.

Statement-II: When Earth's carrying capacity is exceeded by population growth, it leads to unacceptable negative impacts.

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

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 131. Regarding the National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS), consider the following statements:
 - 1. NAPS is an Indian government initiative to promote apprenticeships nationwide, fostering youth skill development.
 - 2. The government gives employers 25% of the stipend, up to a maximum of INR 1500 per month per apprentice, to encourage them to offer apprenticeships and lessen their financial load.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 132. Regarding the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), consider the following statements:
 - It is an initiative of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and the Indian Banks' Association (IBA) to create a robust Payment & Settlement Infrastructure in India.
 - 2. It has been incorporated as a "Not for Profit" Company under the Companies Act 1956.
 - National Financial Switch (NFS) and Immediate Payment System (IMPS) are the only services operated by it.

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

133. Consider the following: Statement-I: Merchant Discount Rate (MDR) is a fee that a merchant is charged by their issuing bank for accepting payments from their customers via credit and debit cards. Statement-II: MDR compensates the bank issuing the card, the bank that installs the PoS (Point of Sale) terminal and network providers, and payment gateways for their services. Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements? A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct 134. Kalyanis, Baavis, and Gokattes recently seen in the news are best de scribed as A. Water bodies B. Birds C. Tribes D. None of the above 135. Regarding BharatNet Project, consider the following statements: 1. It is the largest rural broadband connectivity program globally, utilizing Optical Fiber, and is implemented by Bharat Broadband Network Ltd. (BBNL). 2. It is financed by the Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF). 3. It is being implemented by the Department of Telecommunication under the Ministry of Communications.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

136. Regarding the PM-AASHA Scheme, consider the following statements:

- 1. Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanraksHan Abhiyan' (PM-AASHA) is an umbrella scheme to ensure a Minimum Support Price (MSP) for farmers.
- 2. Under PM-AASHA, States/UTs can select either the Price Support Scheme (PSS) or the Price Deficiency Payment Scheme (PDPS) for a specific oilseed crop for the entire state in a given procurement season.
- 3. Only one scheme i.e. PSS or PDPS may be made operational in one State with respect to one commodity.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 137. Regarding the Forest Rights Act, 2006 consider the following state ments:
 - 1. It was implemented to recognize and vest the forest rights and occupation in forest land in forest dwelling Scheduled Tribes and other traditional forest dwellers.
 - 2. Forest rights can be claimed by individuals or communities who have resided in forest land for their livelihood for at least three generations (75 years).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 138. Regarding the UMANG App, consider the following statements :
 - 1. The UMANG mobile app is a Government of India all-in-one single, unified, secure, multi-channel, multi-lingual, multi-service mobile app.
 - 2. UMANG was developed by the National e-Governance Division (NeGD), Ministry of Electronics & IT.
 - 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
- 139. Regarding Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yo jana, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is implemented by the National Skills Development Corporation (NSDC) under the guidance of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE).
 - 2. Under PMKVY 3.0 the emphasis is on developing skills in new-age and Industry 4.0 job roles to bridge the demand-supply gap, making it more trainee- and learner-centric.
 - 3. PMKVY 3.0 will be implemented in a more centralized structure with greater responsibilities to the central government agencies.

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

- 140. Regarding the National Intelligence Grid (NATGRID), con sider the following statements:
 - 1. It functions as an integrated intelligence grid linking databases of core security agencies of the Indian government.
 - 2. Big Data and Analytics will be used to analyze large volumes of generated data for a clearer understanding of events and tracking suspects.
 - 3. Data is accessible only upon completion of proper authorization and authentication due to end-to-end encryption.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 141. Vichur Conservation Project, recently seen in the news is related to which of the following:
 - A. Bird Species
 - B. Cow Species
 - C. Butterfly Species
 - D. Fish Species
- 142. Consider the following statements:
 - The CEC and ECs are selected on the recommendation of a panel that includes the Prime Minister, a Union Cabinet Minister, and the Leader of Opposition/ leader of the largest opposition party in Lok Sabha.
 - 2. Recommendations of the Selection Committee will be valid even when there is a vacancy in this Committee.
 - 3. A Search Committee headed by the Law Minister will propose a panel of names to the Selection Committee.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 143. Regarding the Assisted Reproductive Technology, consider the following statements:
 - It encompasses all methods for ach ieving pregnancy by manipulating sperm or egg cells outside the body and transferring resulting embryos into the woman's reproductive system.
 - 2. While it includes sperm donation, and in-vitrofertilization (IVF) it excludes gestational surrogacy.
 - 3. It is regulated under the Assisted Reproductive Technology Regulations 2023, issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW).

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 144. Consider the following:

Statement-I: PM-WANI's framework takes forward the goal of the National Digital Communications Policy, 2018 (NDCP) of creating a robust digital communications infrastructure.

Statement-II: PM-WANI aims to enhance public WiFi hotspot availability, particularly in rural regions, to strengthen the nationwide digital communication infrastructure.

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

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 145. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Hedge funds are renowned for employing mo re aggressive investment strategies in pursuit of greater returns for their investors.
 - 2. Hedge funds are private investments that are only available to accredited investors.
 - 3. Hedge funds have the same basic pooled fund structure as mutual funds.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 146. Regarding Short Selling, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Short selling involves the sale of a borrowe d security with the intention of buying it again at a later date at a lower price.
 - 2. India's regulations permit short selling, but financial authorities require traders to identify short sales at the time of the order.

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

147. Regarding the World Happiness Report 2024, consider	
the following statements:	
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- 1. Finland has topped the list for the seventh year in a row, followed by Denm ark.
- 2. India with the rank 126 fared better than China.
- 3. It is released by the World Bank.

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

148. Regarding the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016, consider the following statements:

- 1. A person with a disability is someone who has a long-term impairment that affects their physical, mental, intellectual, or sensory abilities.
- The types of disabilities have been increased from existing 7 to 21 and the Central Government will have the power to add more types of disabilities.
- 3. It fulfills the obligations to the United National Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD), to which India is a signatory.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

149. Consider the following statements:

- Crux Alliance is a partnership of governments, organizations, and businesses committed to improving air quality through actions to reduce short-lived climate pollutants.
- 2. Climate and Clean Air Coalition provides effective and ambitious policy design and advisory services around the world.
- 3. NDC Transport Initiative for Asia is a regional initiative that aims at a holistic approach to decarbonizing the transport sector in China, India, Vietnam, and other Asian countries.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 150. Consider the following pairs:

	GNSS	Country
1.	BeiDou Navigation	Japan
	Satellite System (BDS)	
2.	Galileo	European Union
3.	GLONASS	Russia

How many of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 151. The Income & Wealth Inequality in India Report is relea sed by which of the following:
 - A. World Inequality Lab
 - B. World Bank
 - C. International Monetary Fund
 - D. None of the above
- 152. Consider the following statements:
 - Data exchanges, as scalable ec osystems, mobilize various stakeholders, providing fertile ground for deploying advanced analytics to drive outcomeoriented decision-making and achieve economies of scale.
 - 2. The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeiTY) has recently unveiled the National Data Governance Framework Policy (NPD Framework).
 - 3. India Urban Data Exchange has been established by the NITI Aayog in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Science.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

Mission

153. Consider the follow ing pairs:

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- 1. Mission Divyastra Agni-5 Missile-(MIRV) Technology
- 2. Mission Shakti Anti-Satellite (ASAT) Missile

Objective

3. Mission DefSpace INS Arihant

How many of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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

154. Regarding Agni-V, consider the following statements:

- 1. Agni-V is an intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) powered by solid fuel.
- 2. It is a two-stage solid-rocket-powered missile capable of carrying a 1.5-tonne nuclear warhead.

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

- 1. It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (Core Scheme) launched in 2015.
- 2. It is an umbrella scheme that includes two major components: the Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) and Har Khet Ko Pani (HKKP).
- 3. The Watershed Development component (WDC) of PMKSY is being implemented by the Department of Land Resources.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 156. Regarding Mission Amrit Sarovar, consider the following statements:
 - The Mission is aimed at developing and rejuvenating 75 water bodies in each district of the country as a part of a celebration of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav.
 - 2. It would lead to the creation of 50,000 water bodies of a size of about an Acre or more.
 - 3. The Mission encourages the mobilization of citizen and non-government resources to supplement these efforts.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 157. World Water Development Report (WWDR) is released by which of the following:
 - A. UNESCO
 - B. World Meteorological Organization
 - C. World Bank
 - D. IPCC
- 158. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: UN-Water is a coordinating body comprising United Nations entities (Members) and international organizations (Partners) focusi ng on water and sanitation matters.

Statement-II: There is no single United Nations Agency, Fund, or Programme dedicated exclusively to water issues.

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

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

- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 159. Consider the following:

Statement-I: China-Pakistan Economic Corridor(CPEC) is a part of the Belt and Road Initiative.

Statement-II: The Belt and Road Initiative aims to link Southeast Asia, Central Asia, the Gulf region, Africa, and Europe with a network of land and sea routes.

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

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 160. Consider the following statements:
 - The Paris Agreement in 2015 introduced the concept of a Global Goal on Adaptation (GGA), a parallel to the global mitigation goal aimed at limiting global temperature rise to 1.5°C.
 - 2. While mitigation progress can be measured using a single metric, adaptation necessitates a more intricate evaluation method.
 - 3. The Glasgow-Sharm El-Sheikh Work Programme on the Global Goal on Adaptation, was launched during COP28.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 161. Regarding PIB's Fact Check Unit, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It was notified under the IT Rules of 2021.
 - Only queries related to the Government of India are considered actionable, while others are considered irrelevant for action.
 - 3. It is headed by the Minister of Electronics and Information Technology.
 - How many of the statements given above are correct?
 - A. Only One
 - B. Only Two
 - C. All Three
 - D. None

- 162. Regarding National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA), consider the following statements:
 - The Act provides legal entitlement for subsidized food grains to 100% of the rural population and 50% of the urban population under the Targeted Public Distribution System.
 - 2. Under the Act, the household's eldest woman aged 18 years or older is required to be the head of the household for issuing ration cards.
 - Under the Act, the Centre allocates food grains, while States/UTs are accountable for implementing the Act.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 163. Regarding Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY), consider the following statements:
 - 1. The government provides an additional 5 kg of free food grains per month to families covered by the National Food Security Act, in addition to the subsidized ration.
 - The scheme is limited only to Households led by widows, terminally ill individuals, disabled individuals, or those aged 60 years or older without guaranteed income or community backing.

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

164. Regarding CERT-In, consider the following statements:

- CERT-In, under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, is a national nodal agency for managing cyber security threats like hacking and phishing.
- 2. CERT-In comes under the ambit of the RTI Act, 2005. Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

165. Consider the following:

Statement-I: National Data and Analytics Platform (NDAP) provides foundational datasets from central and state government entities in machine-readable formats, along with a user-friendly interface and powerful analytics.

Statement-II: NDAP aims to address current limitations in using government data by leveraging extensive research on user demands, skills, and challenges.

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

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 166. Regarding Governor consider the following statements:
 - 1. All executive actions of the government of a state are formally taken in his name.
 - 2. He appoints the chief minister and other ministers.
 - 3. He serves as the chancellor and appoints vicechancellors of state universities.

How many of the statements given above are not correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 167. Regarding Tuberculosis (TB), consider the following statements:
 - 1. TB, primarily affecting the lungs, is caused by the bacterium Mycobacterium tuberculosis.
 - 2. It is not a curable but preventable disease.
 - 3. People with weakened immune systems, like those with HIV, malnutrition, diabetes, or who use tobacco, are at a significantly higher risk of getting sick.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 168. Regarding the Persian Gulf, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Situated in Western Asia, it forms a segment of the Indian Ocean.
 - 2. It is an extension of the Gulf of Oman and connects to the Indian Ocean via the Strait of Hormuz in the east.

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

- 169. Regarding Siliguri Corridor, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a narrow stretch of land located in the West Bengal, that connects India's northeastern states to the rest of India.
 - 2. It borders Nepal, Bangladesh, and the Kingdom of Bhutan.
 - Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
 - A. 1 Only
 - B. 2 Only
 - C. Both 1 and 2
 - D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 170. Consider the following:

Statement-I: The primary aim of the Right to Information Act,2005 is to enable citizens to access information, fostering transparency and accountability in governmental operations.

Statement-II: The Right To Information, 2005 is derived from the fundamental right of freedom of speech and expression under Article 19 of the Constitution.

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

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 171. Regarding the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Act aims to prevent money laundering and allows for the confiscation of assets obtained from or used in money laundering.
 - The Enforcement Directorate (ED), a part of the Department of Revenue under the Ministry of Finance, is tasked with investigating money laundering offenses.

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
- 172. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The Mahad Satyagraha is considered to be the foundational event of the Dalit movement.

Statement-II: Mahad Satyagraha was led by Mahatma Gandhi.

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

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 173. Regarding the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), consider the following statements:
 - 1. Established in 1986 under the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), it serves as a repository of information on crime and criminals.
 - 2. It was set up based on the recommendations of the Sarkaria Commission.
 - The National Digital Police Portal, launched by the NCRB, facilitates police officers in searching for criminals or suspects on the Crime and Criminal Tracking Network & Systems(CCTNS) database.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 174. Regarding Nano Urea, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is developed and patented by the Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited (IFFCO).
 - 2. Compared to conventional urea prill, Nano Urea has a desirable particle size of about 5-10 nm and less surface area.
 - 3. It is produced by an energy-efficient, environmentfriendly production process with less carbon footprints.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 175. Regarding the National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP), consider the following statements:
 - It involves the accreditation programme for Certification Bodies, standards for organic production, promotion of organic farming, etc.
 - 2. It is implemented by the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

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

- 176. Gelephu Smart City Project is related to which of the country:
 - A. Bhutan
 - B. Nepal
 - C. Sri Lanka
 - D. China
- 177. The World Social Protection Report is released by which of the following?
 - A. International Labour Organisation (ILO)
 - B. World Bank
 - C. Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
 - D. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- 178. Regarding the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The scheme provides financial support of Rs 1600 for each LPG connection to BPL households.
 - Along with a deposit-free LPG connection, Ujjwala
 0 will provide the first refill and a hotplate free of cost to the beneficiaries.
 - The beneficiaries can also join the PAHAL scheme to receive the subsidy amount directly in their bank accounts.

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

179. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Water supply and sanitation is a State subject.
- 2. The Ministry of Jal Shakti is the nodal Ministry in charge of urban water supply.
- 3. Central Public Health & Environmental Engineering Organisation (CPHEEO) acts as an Advisory body at the Central level to advise the concerned State agencies and Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) in the implementation, operation & maintenance of urban water supply.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 180. Regarding the Pey Jal Survekshan Awards, consider the following statements:
 - 1. They are given annually by the Ministry of Jal Shakti since 2014.

 The awards extend to commendations for Best Water Body, Sustainability Champion, Reuse Champion, Water Quality, City Saturation, and AMRUT 2.0 Rotating Trophy of the Year.

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
- 181. Consider the following statements:
 - The Election Commission of India (ECI) has the power to register parties under the Representation of the People Act, (RPA) 1951.
 - 2. The Representation of the People Act, (RPA),1950 gives the election commission the power to deregister the party.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 182. Regarding the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), consider the following statements:
 - 1. NITI Aaayog serves as the nodal agency for all matters related to UNDP in India.
 - The UNDP initiated its Accelerator Lab in India to collaborate with the government's Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) in addressing pollution.
 - 3. The Gender Social Norms Index is published by UNDP.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

183. Consider the following statements:

- Taiwan Strait, also called Formosa Strait, is a 180-kilometer-wide strait separating the island of Taiwan and continental Asia.
- 2. The median line of the Taiwan Strait serves as an informal boundary separating the Chinese mainland from Taiwan.

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

184. Sudan is surrounded by which of the following countries:

- 1. Egypt
- 2. Djibouti
- 3. Ethiopia
- 4. Central African Republic
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- A. 1 and 2 Only
- B. 1, 3 and 4
- C. 1, 2 and 3
- D. 1, 2, 3, and 4
- 185. Regarding the United Nations Refugee Agency for Palestinians (UNRWA), consider the following statements:
 - It operates in Gaza, the Israeli-occupied West Bank, Lebanon, Syria, and Jordan, where refugees sought shelter after being expelled.
 - It relies heavily on voluntary donations from donor states such as the US, with a small subsidy from the UN covering only administrative expenses.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

186. Consider the following:

Statement-I: Digital public infrastructure comprises digital networks that facilitate the delivery of social services to citizens, with notable instances including Aadhaar, the United Payments Interface (UPI), and Fastag.

Statement-II: Digital public infrastructure (DPI) could help India become an \$8-trillion economy by 2030.

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

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

187. Consider the following statements:

- The Central Issue Price (CIP) is the rate at which the government offers food grains from the central pool to states for beneficiaries of the National Food Security Act, 2013, and other welfare schemes.
- 2. The Minimum Support Price (MSP) is the price at which the government buys crops from farmers, providing them with protection against sudden drops in market prices.

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

188. Tajikistan is bordered by which of the following countries:

- 1. Afghanistan
- 2. Turkmenistan
- 3. Kyrgyzstan
- 4. China

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 3
- B. 1, 3, and 4
- C. 2, 3, and 4
- D. 1, 2, 3, and 4
- 189. Consider the following statements regarding BiologicalDiversity Act, 2002 :
 - The Parliament passed the Biological Diversity Act, 2002, in accordance with India's commitments under the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) of 1992.
 - It establishes a two-tier structure comprising a National Biodiversity Authority (NBA) at the national level, and State Biodiversity Boards (SBBs) at the state level.

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

190. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Nanda Devi Biosphere Reserve (NDBR), the second biosphere reserve of the country, is spread across three districts.
- 2. Nanda Devi National Park (NDNP) and the Valley of Flowers National Park (VoFNP), are both recognized as UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
- The region's varied topography results in distinct micro-climates, causing a shift in forest types from dry deciduous forests in lower areas to alpine meadows above the timberline across the altitude range.

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

- 191. Regarding NI-KSHAY, consider the following statements:
 - NI-KSHAY is the web-enabled patient management system for TB control under the National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme (NTEP).
 - The system is created and managed by the Central TB Division (CTD) in partnership with the National Informatics Centre (NIC) and the World Health Organization Country Office for India.
 - The NIKSHA 2.0 portal enhances TB patient support by facilitating access to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) opportunities, thereby improving treatment outcomes.

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

192. Consider the following statements:

- 1. MeitY initiated the API Setu project to serve as an API Marketplace cum Directory Portal, aiming to provide impetus to policy implementation.
- An 'Open API' policy was notified by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting to develop an open and interoperable platform to enable seamless service delivery across the government.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 Only
- B. 2 Only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 193. "India Employment Report 2024", is released by which of the following?
 - A. International Labour Organisation (ILO)
 - B. World Bank
 - C. International Monetary Fund
 - D. NITI Aayog
- 194. Regarding the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is an autonomous and statutory body established under the IRDA Act 1999.
 - 2. It functions under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance.
 - It is the apex body overseeing the insurance sector in India ensuring the protection of policyholders' interests and promoting orderly growth, regulation, and development of the industry.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 195. Regarding the Finance Commission, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a constitutional body that recommends the distribution of tax revenues between the Union and the States, as well as among the States.
 - The Finance Commission is constituted by the Minister of Finance under Article 280 of the Constitution.
 - 3. It comprises a Chairman and four other members appointed by the President, each serving a term specified in the presidential order and eligible for reappointment.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

196. Consider the following pairs:

	City	Region
1.	Besham	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
2.	Dasu	Iran
3.	Turbet	Syria

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

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

197. Consider the following:

Statement-I: Total Fertility Rate (TFR) of about 2.1 children per woman is called Replacement-level fertility. **Statement-II:** TFR represents the average number of children a woman would have in her lifetime given the current age-specific fertility rates in the population.

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

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

198. Consider the following:

Statement-I: The Ramakrishna Movement was initiated by Swami Vivekananda to spread the universal message of Vedanta.

Statement-II: Vedanta, rooted in the Vedas, is among the world's oldest and most comprehensive spiritual philosophies.

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

- A. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- B. Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- C. Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- D. Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 199. Regarding the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA), consider the following statements:
 - The Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, enacted by the Parliament in 1958, grants the armed forces special powers and immunity to maintain public order in "disturbed areas."

- 2. The Central Government, the Governor of a State has the authority to declare a State or Union Territory, or a part thereof, as a disturbed area.
- 3. Under the act, the armed forces are immune from prosecution unless the State Government provides sanctions to the prosecuting agencies.

- A. Only One
- B. Only Two
- C. All Three
- D. None
- 200. Regarding India TB Report 2024, consider the following statements:
 - 1. As per the report, the gap between the estimated number and actual cases of tuberculosis (TB) is closing in India.
 - 2. It is released by the World Health Organisation.
 - 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

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