

## Monthly Editorial Quiz

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- 1. Consider the following statements regarding Economically Weaker Section (EWS) Quota:
  - 1. It was introduced under the 103rd Constitution (Amendment) Act, 2019 by amending Articles 14 and 15.
  - It is for economic reservation in jobs and admissions in education institutes for Economically Weaker Sections (EWS).
  - 3. It enables both Centre and the states to provide reservation to the EWS of society.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 2. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The Foreigners Act, 1946 and the Passport Act, 1920 specify punishment for entering India illegally and staying here on expired visas and permits.
  - The Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019 (CAA) contradicts the Assam Accord of 1985, as per which illegal migrants, irrespective of religion, heading in from Bangladesh after 25th March, 1971, would be deported.

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
- 3. Consider the following statements with reference to DMH-11, mentioned sometimes in news:
  - 1. It is an indigenously developed transgenic mustard.
  - 2. It is a genetically modified variant of Herbicide Tolerant (HT) mustard.
  - 3. It has been developed by Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI), New Delhi.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 4. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Competition Commission of India (CCI) is a statutory body of the Government of India.
  - The Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act, 1969 (MRTP Act) was repealed and replaced by the Competition Act, 2002, on the recommendations of the Raghavan committee.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 5. Consider the following statements regarding Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB):
  - 1. It is a statutory organisation under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974.
  - 2. It was also entrusted with the powers and functions under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.

3. It provides technical services to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change of the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 6. Consider the following statements:
  - 4. Section 375 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) defines the acts that constitute rape by a man.
  - 5. In the context of Indian law, conducting the 'two-finger test' on alleged rape victims is not considered an offence.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 7. Consider the following statements regarding National Clean Air Programme:
  - 3. It was launched by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEFCC).
  - 4. It covers 132 non-attainment cities which were identified by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 8. Consider the following statements with reference to Coronal Holes, mentioned sometimes in news:
  - 4. These appear like dark patches on sun's surface which are visible to the naked eyes.
  - 5. They have lower temperatures as they contain little solar material.
  - 6. These are responsible for causing geomagnetic storms.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 9. Consider the following statements regarding Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHA) Programme:
  - 3. It was launched as part of National Rural Health Mission.
  - 4. It was extended to urban settings with the launch of National Urban Health Mission.
  - 5. The purpose of the programme is to reflect ASHA as community's representative in the health system, and also, the lowest-rung government functionary in the community.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 10. Consider the following statements regarding Emissions Gap Report 2022:
  - 1. It was released by United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

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- 2. India is among the top 7 emitters countries that accounted for 55% of global Green House Gas (GHG) emissions in 2020.
- 3. G20 members are responsible for 75% of global GHG emissions.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 11. Consider the following statements regarding Goods and Services Tax (GST):
  - Article 246A of the Constitution gives the States power to make laws with respect to GST.
  - Article 279A of the Constitution provides for the formation of GST Council by the President to administer & govern GST.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 12. Consider the following statements:
  - Genetically Modified (GM) crops are developed using recombinant DNA technology for acquiring new properties such as an increased yield, herbicide/ disease/drought resistance and improved nutritional value.
  - 2. Bt brinjal is cultivated in India for commercial purposes. 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. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The International Day for Biosphere Reserved is observed on November 3.
  - 2. There are 12 biosphere reserves in India of which Nilgiris was the first biosphere.
  - 3. Bangladesh, Bhutan, and Nepal do not have biospheres. Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
  - (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 14. Consider the following statements with reference to Launch Vehicle Mark 3 (LVM3):
  - 1. It is a dedicated commercial mission for a foreign customer OneWeb.
  - 2. It is the first multi-satellite mission with 36 OneWeb Satellites.
  - 3. It is a four-stage launch vehicle.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 15. Consider the following statements regarding Belt & Road Initiative (BRI):
  - 1. It focuses on connectivity and cooperation among multiple countries spread across the continents of Asia, Africa, and Europe.

2. India is concerned about BRI as a key component of the project, the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), passes through Pakistan-occupied Kashmir.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 16. Consider the following statements regarding Global Food Policy Report 2022:
  - 1. It is released by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).
  - 2. The number of people at risk for hunger is expected to increase by 2030 due to climate change.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 17. Consider the following statements with reference to National Crime Records Bureau's (NCRB's) Data on Drug Abuse in India:
  - 1. There are more than 100 million drug users in India.
  - 2. The consumption rate of various narcotics substances has seen a 70% increase in the last eight 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
- 18. Consider the following statements regarding Small Island Developing States (SIDS):
  - These were recognized as a distinct group of developing countries at the UN Conference on Environment and Development.
  - 2. AOSIS is an intergovernmental organization of low-lying and coastal small island states.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 19. Consider the following statements regarding Pusa Bio-Decomposer:
  - 1. It is a fungi-based liquid solution that can soften hard stubble.
  - 2. It is developed by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR).
  - 3. It rapidly converts crop residues, animal waste, dung and other waste into organic manure.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 20. Consider the following statements regarding Air Quality Index (AQI):
  - 1. AQI in the range of 0-100 is considered 'satisfactory', whereas AQI in the range of 401-500 has been categorised as 'severe'.
  - 2. It has been developed for eight pollutants viz. PM2.5, PM10, Ammonia, Lead, nitrogen oxides, sulfur dioxide, ozone, and carbon monoxide.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 21. Consider the following statements regarding Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA):
  - 1. Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA) is a trade union that grew out of the Women Wing of the Textile Labour Association (TLA) in 1972.
  - 2. The SEWA movement is considered as the convergence for three movements; the labour movement, the cooperative movement and the women's movement.

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
- 22. Consider the following statements regarding Parole:
  - 1. It is the release of prisoner that requires periodic reporting to the authorities for a set period of time.
  - 2. It is considered as prisoner's right and can't be denied in the case of a death in the family or a wedding of a blood relative.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 23. Which of the following river originates from Madla Hills of Gujarat?
  - (a) Sabarmati River
- (b) Machchu River
- (c) Mahi River
- (d) Penna River
- 24. Consider the following statements regarding Maintenance and Welfare of Parents and Senior Citizens Act of 2007:
  - 1. It provides for establishing old age homes by the state governments in every district.
  - 2. Senior citizens can apply to maintenance tribunal seeking a monthly allowance from their children or heirs in case they are unable to maintain themselves.
  - 3. This act also makes a provision for punishment if the required monthly allowance is not paid.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 25. Consider the following statements regarding Total Fertility Rate (TFR):
  - 1. Replacement-level fertility refers to TFR of about 2.1 children per woman.
  - 2. TFR lower than 2.1 children per woman indicates population decline as it means a generation is not producing enough children to replace itself.
  - 3. As per National Family Health Survey (NFHS-5), India's TFR has declined in 2019-21 as compared to previous years.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 26. Consider the following statements regarding United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO):
  - 1. It is a member of the United Nations Sustainable Development Group (UNSDG).
  - 2. Its members comprise all the United Nation members.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 27. Consider the following statements regarding India's Revised Targets put forward at COP26:
  - 1. India committed itself to at least 45% reduction in emissions intensity of GDP from 2005 levels.
  - 2. India promised to generate at least 40% of installed electricity from non-fossil fuel-based sources in 2030.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 28. Consider the following statements regarding Dadabhai Naoroji:
  - 1. He was known as "Grand old Man of India" who served as first Indian member of the British parliament.
  - 2. He was elected as Indian National Congress's President twice.

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
- 29. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. In Web 1.0, users were allowed only to read content without any real-time interaction whereas, Web 2.0 and Web 3.0 allow user interaction.
  - 2. With Web 2.0 coming into picture, monetization of content started growing.
  - 3. Web 3.0 is dynamic and spatial web combining new-age technologies like blockchain, cryptocurrency and Internet of Things (IoT).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 30. Consider the following statements regarding 48th G7 Summit of 2022:
  - Investment in the Partnership for Global Infrastructure and Investment (PGII) to deliver infrastructure projects to developing and middle-income countries was announced.
  - Global Initiative for LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) campaign to encourage an eco-friendly lifestyle was highlighted by India.

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

- 31. Consider the following statements regarding Association of Southeast Asian Nations, or ASEAN:
  - 1. It was established with the Bangkok Declaration which was signed by 10 Southeast Asian States.
  - 2. The ASEAN Summit meetings are held twice in a 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
- 32. Consider the following statements regarding the Minimum Support Price (MSP):
  - 1. C<sup>2</sup> costs are used by the Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP) primarily as benchmark reference costs for recommending the MSP.
  - 2. CACP takes both A2+FL and C<sup>2</sup> costs into consideration for recommending MSP as well as for return.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 33. Consider the following statements regarding European Union (EU) Green Deal:
  - 1. Becoming climate neutral by 2050 is a legal obligation for all member countries.
  - 2. Emissions must be reduced to at least 50% by 2030. 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
- 34. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Merchant discount rate refers to the amount paid to bank by a merchant for accepting payments through digital transactions.
  - 2. The amount paid by merchant for each transaction gets distributed between two stakeholders i.e., the bank enabling the transaction and the vendor installing point of sale (PoS) machine.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 35. Consider the following statements regarding System of Air Quality and Weather Forecasting And Research (SAFAR):
  - 1. It is a national initiative introduced by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change to measure the air quality of a metropolitan city.
  - 2. It has been indigenously developed by the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune.
  - 3. It forms an integral part of India's first Air Quality Early Warning System in Delhi.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 36. Consider the following statements regarding National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI):
  - 1. It is an umbrella organisation for all retail payment systems in India which was set up with the aid of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and Indian Banks' Association (IBA).
  - 2. It was established following the provisions of the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007.

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
- 37. Consider the following statements regarding POSHAN Abhiyaan:
  - 1. It provides for the deployment of Swasth Bharat Preraks to fast track the implementation of the Abhiyaan.
  - 2. Under this Abhiyaan, the Rashtriya Poshan Maah is celebrated during the month of October every 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
- 38. Consider the following statements regarding Anganwadi Services Scheme:
  - 1. It is a centrally sponsored scheme that was initiated as a part of the Integrated Child Development Services program.
  - 2. Identification of the beneficiaries under the Anganwadi Services Scheme is done on the basis of Aadhaar.

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
- 39. Consider the following statements regarding 'Recommendations of Mandal Commission for reservation for OBCs':
  - 1. It recommended a reservation of 27% for OBCs in public sector and government jobs including the promotions at all levels.
  - 2. It recommended the age relaxation criteria to be kept same for OBCs as that for SCs and STs.

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 regarding Sodium-Ion Batteries:
  - 1. In these batteries, the anode is manufactured from
  - 2. They are non-flammable and can operate well during colder temperatures.
  - 3. There are less chances for these batteries to experience thermal runaway.

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

- 41. Consider the following statements regarding K-Shaped Economic Recovery:
  - 1. Within an economy, some parts may experience increased growth whereas others may see a decline.
  - 2. It describes the path of macroeconomic aggregate variables such as Gross Domestic Product (GDP) or total employment.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 42. Consider the following statements regarding Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012:
  - 1. It includes the penetrative and non-penetrative sexual assault in its definition.
  - 2. It states that a case of child sexual abuse must be resolved within 1 year of the reporting of offence.
  - 3. An amendment to the act was introduced to include death penalty as a punishment.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 43. Consider the following statements regarding International Solar Alliance (ISA):
  - 1. It was constituted through the joint efforts of India and France in order to mobilize efforts against climate change.
  - 2. Its headquarters are located in Paris, France.
  - 3. All the member states of United Nations are qualified to acquire membership of ISA.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 44. Consider the following statements regarding the Agnipath Scheme:
  - 1. It provides for the recruitment of Agniveers across the three military forces of India i.e., Army, Navy and Airforce for a period of four years.
  - 2. After completion of four years, only 25% of the recruited Agniveers will be eligible for getting recruited back into their respective services until the age of retirement.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 45. Consider the following statements regarding Section 69 (A) of the Information Technology Act, 2000:
  - It enables the Centre to ask intermediaries or government agencies for blocking the access to an internet site.
  - 2. The term 'intermediaries' refers to search engines, online payment and auction sites, online marketplaces and cyber cafes but doesn't include the Internet Service Providers (ISPs).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 46. Consider the following statements:
  - In India, Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Amendment Act, 2019 and the paramilitary force, National Security Guard (NSG) are primarily responsible for countering terrorism.
  - The adoption of the "Comprehensive Convention on International Terrorism" (CCIT) was proposed by the United 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

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47. Consider the following pairs:

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World Energy Council

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

(a) Only one pair

3. World Energy

- (b) Only two pairs
- (c) All three pairs
- (d) None of the above
- 48. Consider the following statements regarding Supply Chain Resilience Initiative (SCRI):
  - 1. It was launched by four countries viz, India, US, Australia and Japan.
  - This aims to improve the security of global supply chains as per the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue in the wake of overdependence on China in terms of global supply chains.

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
- 49. Consider the following statements regarding Seismic or Earthquake Waves:
  - 1. These can be caused either by earthquakes or an explosion.
  - 2. P-waves move faster than S-waves and are the first to reach the earth's surface.
  - 3. These are measured using either the Richter Scale (magnitude scale) or the Mercalli Scale (intensity scale).

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 50. Consider the following statements regarding the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET):
  - 1. It is the entrance examination for getting admitted to all undergraduate and postgraduate medical and dental courses in India.

- 2. It is conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).
- 3. It replaced the All-India Pre-Medical Test (AIPMT) that was the national-level entrance examination for medical colleges till 2016.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 51. Consider the following statements regarding Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs):
  - 1. There are seven CAPFs maintained by the Ministry of Home Affairs.
  - Seven CAPFs include Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), National Security Guards (NSG), Border Security Force (BSF), Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB), and Assam Rifles (AR).
  - 3. All seven CAPFs are headed by officers of the Indian Police Service despite each of seven having own cadre of officers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 52. Consider the following statements regarding Law Commission of India:
  - 1. It is a statutory body established in 1955 for the Independent India.
  - 2. It works as an advisory body to the Ministry of Law and Justice.

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
- 53. Consider the following statements regarding Tea:
  - 1. It is a tropical and sub-tropical plant that grows well in humid and hot conditions.
  - 2. India is the largest consumer and fourth largest exporter of tea in the world.
  - As designated by the United Nations General assembly, International Tea Day is observed on 21st May every year.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 54. Consider the following statements regarding Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management (FRBM) Act:
  - 1. Enacted in 2003, it aims to set limits on the Central government's debts and deficits.
  - 2. The fiscal deficit of India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) was limited to 3% by this act.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 55. Consider the following statements regarding Vostro Account:
  - It is a correspondent banking system that enables a foreign bank to act as an agent to provide financial services on behalf of a domestic bank.
  - The services of a Vostro account include foreign exchange transactions and enabling deposits/ withdrawals but excludes wire transfers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 56. Consider the following statements:
  - The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) is a government institution that conducts research work in the fields of energy, environment and sustainable development for India and the Global South.
  - 2. The Energy Resources Institute was formerly known as the Tata Energy Research Institute.

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
- 57. Consider the following statements regarding the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002:
  - 1. It was enacted in response to Vienna Convention to combat the menace of money laundering.
  - 2. It applies to individuals, companies, firms, partnership firms, associations of persons or incorporations and any agency or office.

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 regarding New Uplinking and Downlinking Rules for TV Channels:
  - 1. All Indian television channels will have to telecast content in the national interest or public service every day for 30 minutes.
  - 2. Prior Permission for live telecast of events is not required, only prior intimation would suffice.
  - 3. New guidelines allow the uplinking of foreign channels from Indian teleports.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 59. Consider the following statements:
  - Chief Minister hold office during the pleasure of governor, however, he can't be dismissed by the governor till the time he enjoys the majority support in the legislative assembly.
  - 2. Chief Minister acts as a link between the Governor and state council of ministers as per the Article 165 of the Constitution of India.

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

- 60. Consider the following statements regarding Vande Bharat Train:
  - 1. The first Vande Bharat was manufactured as part of the 'Make in India' programme at Chennai.
  - 2. These trains operate without a locomotive and work on the basis of a propulsion system.
  - 3. Vande Bharat 2.0 includes a train collision avoidance system KAVACH and also, a photo-catalytic ultraviolet air purification system.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 61. Consider the following statements regarding Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC):
  - 1. It was set up by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
  - The climate-related policies developed on the basis of IPCC assessments underlie negotiations at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

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. Consider the following statements regarding 'Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)':
  - 1. It is a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) among 11 countries around the Pacific Rim.
  - 2. It removes 99% of tariffs on goods and services including financial services, telecommunications, and food safety standards.
  - 3. India is not a member of CPTPP.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 63. Consider the following statements regarding National Education Policy, 2020:
  - 1. It aims to raise the Gross Enrolment Ratio in higher education to 50% by 2035.
  - 2. For building research capacity and encourage strong research culture, the National Research Foundation will be created as an apex body.
  - 3. Higher Education Commission of India (HECI) will be set up as a single umbrella body for the entire higher education including medical and legal education.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 64. Consider the following statements regarding Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, (NDPS) 1985:
  - The Act applies to whole of India as well as to Indian citizens outside India and to all persons on ships and aircraft registered in India.

2. It provides for stringent punishments such as forfeiture of property derived from illicit drug trafficking and even death penalty for repeat offenders.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 65. Consider the following statements regarding CRISPR-Cas9 Technology:
  - It involves the introduction of a new gene or suppression of an existing gene through genetic engineering.
  - 2. It is also referred to as 'Genetic Scissors'.

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
- 66. Consider the following statements:
  - The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) provides climate financing to developing nations.
  - 2. Green Climate Fund was established at the COP16 in 2010.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 67. Consider the following statements regarding Light Combat Helicopter (LCH):
  - LCH can land and take off at an altitude of 5,000 meters while carrying a considerable load of weapons and fuel and is the only helicopter of such kind in the world.
  - 2. It is powered by Shakti engines manufactured by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL).
  - 3. LCH Prachanda is suitable for high-altitude battlefields and has been indigenously developed.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 68. Which of the following states was the first to livestream court proceedings?
  - (a) Gujarat
- (b) Punjab
- (c) Kerala
- (d) Karnataka
- 69. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Thousands of Bhils including men and women were killed in Mangarh Massacre where British Indian Army fired indiscriminately on Bhil Protestors.
  - 2. The Mangarh hillock is also known as Adivasi Jallianwala and is situated at the Gujarat-Rajasthan border.

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

- 70. Consider the following statements regarding Bhils:
  - 1. They are India's largest tribal community.
  - 2. They are commonly known as Rajasthan's bowmen.
  - 3. They are broadly classified as Central (Pure) Bhils or Eastern (Rajput) Bhils.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 71. Consider the following statements regarding Diabetes:
  - 1. Type 1 Diabetes is known as Juvenile Diabetes and is less severe than Type 2 Diabetes.
  - 2. Type 2 Diabetes can occur at any age, even during childhood, but most often it affects middle-aged and older people.
  - 3. Gestational Diabetes affects pregnant women when the body sometimes becomes less sensitive to insulin.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 72. Consider the following statements regarding Genetic Engineering Appraisal Committee (GEAC):
  - 1. Its nodal Ministry is Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.
  - 2. The seed production of Genetically Modified (GM) Mustard has been approved by GEAC.

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
- 73. Consider the following statements regarding Central Ground Water Board (CGWB):
  - It is the National Apex Agency under Ministry of Jal Shakti that manages and regulates the ground water resources of India.
  - 2. Its headquarters is situated at Faridabad, Haryana.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 74. Consider the following statements regarding Samagra Shisksha:
  - 1. It is a programme for the school education sector extending from pre-school to class 12.
  - 2. It subsumed the erstwhile Schemes of Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 75. Consider the following statements regarding Human Development Index (HDI):
  - 1. It is a composite index that forms a part of Human Development Report published by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

2. HDI takes the factors: life expectancy at birth, years of schooling and national income into consideration.

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
- 76. Consider the following statements regarding World Heritage Week:
  - 1. It is celebrated by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) every year in November.
  - 2. It is celebrated by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 77. Consider the following statements:
  - When total value of goods and services a country imports exceeds the total value of goods and services it exports, it is referred to as 'current account deficit'.
  - 2. Trade Balance constitutes a part of 'current account balance'.
  - 3. Current account shows export and import of merchandise but not the non-merchandise.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 78. Consider the following statements regarding Sovereign Green Bonds (SGrB):
  - 1. These are the green bonds carrying guarantees related to the repayment of principal and payment of interest by the sovereign or the government.
  - 2. SGrB is one form of dated security having a tenor and interest rate.
  - 3. These do not form a part of government borrowing.
  - 4. SGrB is part of Green, Social and Sustainability (GSS) bonds as per Bank for International Settlements (BIS) database.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 79. Consider the following statements regarding Government Securities (G-Secs)
  - 1. G-Secs are usually of two types i.e., treasury bills and dated securities.
  - 2. Treasury bills carry coupon rates whereas dated securities don't carry coupon rates.

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

- 80. Consider the following statements:
  - Non-attainment cities covered by the National Clean Air Programme are those that have fallen short of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for over five years.
  - 2. NAAQS are the air quality standards with reference to various identified pollutant notified by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB).

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 81. Consider the following statements:
  - Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage (CCUS) involves the removal of CO2 from the flue gas and from the atmosphere, followed by its recycling and safe storage.
  - 2. Using CCUS technology, the captured CO2 is converted into fuel, refrigerants and building materials.
  - 3. The captured gas by CCUS needs to be processed before usage in fire extinguishers, other industries and the agricultural sector.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 82. Consider the following statements regarding India's Long-Term Low Emission Development Strategy (LT-LEDS):
  - 1. It is guided by the vision of Lifestyle for the Environment (LiFF).
  - 2. As per this strategy, India aims to achieve ethanol blending to 20% by 2025.
  - 3. To improve energy efficiency, India will focus on schemes such as Perform, Achieve and Trade (PAT) scheme and National Hydrogen Mission.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 83. Consider the following statements regarding Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) Programme:
  - 1. It is a bilateral programme for technical assistance launched by Government of India in 2019.
  - 2. ITEC programme is fully funded by the Government 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
- 84. Under the e-Vidya Bharti Network Project, India offers scholarships to students and professionals of which of the following?
  - (a) Bangladesh
- (b) Africa
- (c) Australia
- (d) Nepal

- 85. Consider the following statements regarding Urban Local Bodies of India:
  - 1. Notified area committees are nominated by the central government and set up for the fast-developing towns and the towns lacking the basic amenities.
  - 2. Cantonment board is created and run by central government for a civilian population living in the cantonment area.
  - Township provides basic facilities to the staff and workers living in the colonies established near an industrial plant.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 86. Consider the following statements:
  - The Article 254(2) enables a state government to legislate on a subject in the Concurrent List that contradicts a Central law but has received President's assent.
  - 2. 42nd Amendment Act of 1976 transferred five subjects including education and others from Concurrent List to State List.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 87. Consider the following statements regarding University Grants Commission (UGC):
  - 1. It is a statutory body that coordinates, determines and maintains standards of teaching, examination and research in university education.
  - 2. Its head-office is located in New 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
- 88. Consider the following statements regarding Electoral Bonds Scheme:
  - It provides for the bonds to be available for additional 15 days in the year of general elections to the legislature.
  - 2. Electoral Bond deposited by an eligible Political Party in its account shall be credited within a week.
  - The political parties registered under the Representation of the People Act, 1951 that secured at least 1% of votes in the last General Election are eligible under this scheme.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 89. Consider the following statements regarding International Energy Agency (IEA):
  - 1. It is an intergovernmental organization that focuses on its 3E's i.e., economic development, energy security and environmental protection.
  - 2. India is an associate member of IEA.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 90. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. No section of Indian Penal Code (IPC) provides for the criminalisation of hate speech.
  - 2. Section 8 of Representation of People's Act, 1951 (RPA) doesn't allow a person convicted of hate speech to contest elections.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 91. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Article 226 provides High Courts with the authority for issuing writ for the enforcement of fundamental rights.
  - 2. Article 227 empowers the High Courts to issue order for the enforcement of legal rights other than fundamental rights.
  - 3. Article 228 grants authority to High Court over lower courts, tribunals and special courts.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only
- 92. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY):
  - Beneficiaries under the One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) plan or any migrant labour can easily avail free ration through portability under this scheme.
  - 2. It covers the cardholders of the Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) and Priority Household (PHH) categories under the National Food Security Act, 2013.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 93. Consider the following statements regarding International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR):
  - ICCPR, together with Universal Declaration of Human Rights and International Covenant on Economic Social and Cultural Rights comprise International Bill of Human Rights.
  - 2. This covenant has been ratified by India.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 94. Consider the following statements:
  - In armed forces, women officers are not offered any command appointments, and they can serve only in staff posts.
  - 2. Indian Air Force doesn't provide for a permanent commission for women officers, thereby, depriving them of pensionary benefits.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 95. Consider the following statements regarding Digital Payment Index:
  - 1. It has been constructed by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to record the extent of digitization of payments across the nation.
  - 2. It is published on an annual basis on RBI's website.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 96. Consider the following statements regarding Special Economic Zone (SEZ):
  - 1. SEZs are usually duty-free and have different commercial laws.
  - 2. Currently, SEZs in India are governed by the Special Economic Zones Act, 2005.
  - 3. Under the Foreign Trade Policy, SEZs were also operational in India from 2000 to 2006.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 97. Consider the following statements:
  - Wholesale Price Index (WPI) records the changes in the prices of services but Consumer Price Index (CPI) doesn't.
  - 2. More weightage is given to manufactured goods in WPI whereas more weightage is given to food items in CPI.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only
- 98. Consider the following statements regarding Role and Powers of Governor:
  - 1. Article 163 provides for the appointment of Chief Mister and the Council of Ministers by the Governor.
  - 2. Under Article 356, Governor may exercise his exercise his discretion against the aid and advise of Council of Ministers.
  - 3. Article 213 provides for the promulgation of ordinances by the Governor under special circumstances.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 99. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Vikram-S is India's first privately developed rocket that carried three payloads into space.
  - 2. Vikram-S has been sent in space under the Prarambh Mission.

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

- Beti Padhao Scheme:
  - 1. The scheme aims to address the issues of sex selective abortion and declining sex ratio.
  - 2. Ministry of Women and Child Development is solely responsible for the implementation of this scheme.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 101. Consider the following statements regarding Stree Manoraksha:
  - 1. It is an initiative aimed at providing psychosocial and mental healthcare to women facing violence.
  - 2. The project has been started at the National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS), Bangalore.
  - 3. It is funded by the Ministry of Women and Child Development and Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 2 and 3 only
- 102. Consider the following statements regarding Morley-Minto Reforms:
  - 1. The Indian Councils Act of 1909 is known as Morley-Minto Reforms.
  - 2. It introduced a separate electorate for Muslims.
  - 3. Satyendra P. Sinha was the first Indian to join the Executive Council of Viceroy.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 103. Consider the following statements regarding Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP):
  - 1. The plan was notified by the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change that institutionalises measures to be taken when air quality deteriorates.
  - 2. Environment Pollution (Prevention & Control) Authority (EPCA) is responsible for the implementation of GRAP.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 104. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) is a UN Refugee Agency created during the aftermath of World War-I.
  - 2. Through the 1951 Refugee Convention, most countries came forward to protect stateless people in the aftermath of World War-II

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 100. Consider the following statements regarding Beti Bachao | 105. Consider the following statements regarding Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW):
  - 1. It is usually described as an international bill of rights for women.
  - 2. It is the only human rights treaty affirming the reproductive rights of women.
  - 3. Countries that ratify the convention aren't legally bound to put its provisions into practice.
  - 4. India has ratified this treaty.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 106. Consider the following statements regarding Cryptocurrency:
  - 1. It is a digital medium of exchange that uses encryption techniques to both control the creation of monetary units and to verify the exchange of money.
  - 2. None of the national governments provides legal backing to cryptocurrencies.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 107. Consider the following statements regarding Agricultural education:
  - 1. Agricultural education occupies List II (State List) in the Seventh Schedule of Constitution.
  - 2. Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) holds the responsibility of imparting quality agricultural education across the nation.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 108. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Loss and Damage Fund has been approved by the delegates of COP27 for compensating the vulnerable nations for the losses happened on account of climaterelated disasters.
  - 2. The impacts of climate change or related disasters which can't be mitigated or avoided even via adaptation come under the term 'Loss and Damage'.

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
- 109. Consider the following statements regarding Public Sector Banks (PSBs):
  - 1. Government holds greater that 50% ownership in PSBs and also regulate their financial guidelines.
  - 2. The largest PSB of India is State Bank of India (SBI).

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

- Parliamentary Committee (JPC):
  - 1. It is an ad-hoc body set-up for a specific object and
  - 2. JPCs are set up by a motion passed in one house of Parliament and agreed to by the other.
  - 3. Parliament decides upon the membership and subjects

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 111. Consider the following statements regarding Ram Setu:
  - 1. It separates shallow sea consisting of the Gulf of Mannar in the south and Palk Bay in the north.
  - 2. It is a linear coral ridge that runs between Rameswaram in Tamil Nadu and Thalaimannar in Sri Lanka

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 112. Consider the following statements regarding Corals:
  - 1. Coral polyps share a symbiotic relationship with microscopic algae, Zooxanthellae.
  - 2. Circular or elliptical reefs formed on the mid-oceanic ridges surrounded by seas on all sides are known as barrier reefs.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 113. Starlink, seen sometimes in news, is an initiative of which of the following?
  - (a) ISRO
- (b) NASA
- (c) Blue Origin
- (d) SpaceX
- 114. Consider the following statements regarding 27th Conference of Parties (COP27):
  - 1. A mitigation work programme was launched that will continue until 2030 with a minimum of two global dialogues per year.
  - 2. To promote climate technology solutions in developing countries, a five-year work programme was launched.
  - 3. African Carbon Market Initiative (ACMI) was launched to support the carbon credit production in Africa.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 115. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Right to Privacy is considered and protected as an integral part of Article 19.
  - 2. Supreme Court's Puttuswamy judgement, 2017 declared the right to privacy as a fundamental right.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 110. Consider the following statements regarding a Joint | 116. Consider the following statements regarding Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR):
  - 1. Under CRR, the reserved cash is either sent to RBI or stored in bank's vault.
  - 2. Banks can lend the CRR money to corporates but can't use that for investment purpose.
  - 3. No interest is earned by bank on CRR money.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 and 2 only

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- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 117. Consider the following statements regarding Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR):
  - 1. Superbugs is a term used to refer to the microorganisms that develop AMR.
  - 2. Under Red-Line Campaign of India, prescription only antibiotics are mark with a red line to check the irrational use of antibiotics.

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
- 118. Consider the following statements regarding Make in India Programme:
  - 1. It offers an open invitation to investors and partners across the world for participation.
  - 2. It aims to create 100 million additional jobs by 2022.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 119. Consider the following statements regarding National Suicide Strategy:
  - 1. It has been announced by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
  - 2. It aims to achieve a reduction in suicide mortality by 10% by 2030.
  - 3. It seeks to provide suicide prevention services by establishing psychiatric outpatient departments.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 120. Consider the following statements regarding Criminal Procedure (Identification) Act, 2022:
  - 1. It provides legal sanction to the police to take physical and biological samples of convicts but not those accused of crimes.
  - 2. As per this act, the record of measurements can be stored up to 75 years by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB).

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

- 121. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Supreme Court's 2018 judgement in Navtej Singh Johar case decriminalized 377 of Indian Penal Code that defined homosexuality as unnatural offence.
  - 2. As per the Navtej Singh Johar judgement, Article 14 applies to all citizens of India included LGBTIQA+.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 122. Consider the following statements regarding Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI):
  - 1. It replaced the Controller of Capital Issues in 1992 with the establishment of Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992.
  - A Securities Appellate Tribunal (SAT) consisting of a Presiding officer and two other members protects the interest of entities that feel aggrieved by SEBI's decision.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 123. Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augmentation (KALIA) Scheme was launched by which of the following states?
  - (a) Odisha
- (b) Kerala
- (c) Madhya Pradesh
- (d) Himachal Pradesh
- 124. Consider the following statements regarding Model Land Leasing Act, 2016:
  - 1. This act provides for the leasing of land by the landlord with mutual consent for agriculture and allied activities.
  - 2. Special Land Tribunal has been created for resolving the disputes between the landlord and leaseholder.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 125. Consider the following statements regarding Fit for 55 Package:
  - 1. It was launched by the United States.
  - 2. It aims to raise Social Climate Fund for small businesses and low-income citizens.
  - 3. It seeks to create an Emissions Trading System (ETS) for buildings and road transport.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 1 and 3 only
- 126. Consider the following statements regarding Global Hunger Index 2022:
  - 1. India performed poorly ranking 107 out of 121 countries.
  - 2. It is based on four components i.e., undernourishment, child stunting, child wasting and child mortality.
  - 3. GHI is an annual report prepared by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 127. Consider the following statements regarding Central Information Commission:
  - 1. It was established under the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005.
  - 2. The members of CIC are eligible for reappointment to the commission.
  - 3. In respect of summoning and requiring document, the CIC has powers of a civil court.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 128. Which of the following is not a member nation of the grouping G20?
  - (a) United States
- (b) Spain
- (c) United Kingdom
- (d) Germany
- 129. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Indian Constitution's Part XV provides for the establishment of Election Commission of India (ECI).
  - 2. ECI is a multi-member body comprising one Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) and two Election Commissioners.
  - 3. ECI is helped by Chief Electoral Officer (an officer of IAS rank) at the state level.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 130. Consider the following statements regarding India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (ECTA):
  - 1. It provides India with preferential market access over Australia's 100% of tariff lines.
  - 2. STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) graduates from India will be granted post-study work visas under this agreement.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 131. Which of the following best defines the Head-Counts Ratio?
  - (a) Proportion of population below the poverty line
  - (b) Proportion of goods and services required to satisfy basic human needs
  - (c) Proportion of population above the poverty line
  - (d) Proportion of income required to satisfy basic human needs
- 132. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY):
  - 1. It is a flagship initiative of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE).
  - 2. Its key components include Short Term Training, Special Projects, Recognition of Prior Learning, Kaushal & Rozgar Mela.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 133. Which of the following legislated the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)?
  - (a) United States
- (b) India
- (c) European Union
- (d) Australia
- 134. Consider the following statements:
  - The undivided Assam during British rule included present-day Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya.
  - Meghalaya was created as an 'autonomous state' within Assam with its own legislature and council of ministers in 1969.
  - 3. In 1972, Meghalaya was carved out of the state of Assam.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 135. Consider the following statements regarding Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF):
  - 1. It is an initiative led by the United States to strengthen economic partnership among the countries of Indo-Pacific region.
  - 2. It is a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) providing ease of doing business.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 136. Consider the following statements regarding Over-The-Top (OTT) platforms:
  - OTT service providers are regulated by Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules 2021.
  - 2. The regulatory rules provide for the 3-tier grievance redressal mechanism for OTT platforms.
  - 3. OTT platforms are required to classify their content into three categories- U (Universal), U/A 13 years and A (Adult).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 137. Consider the following statements regarding 'Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI)':
  - 1. It is a global initiative by Government of India that aims to increase the resilience of infrastructure systems to climate and disaster risks.
  - 2. It was launched at the United Nations Climate Action Summit in 2019.

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

- 138. Which of the following ministries launched the Prime Minister Street Vendors AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) Scheme?
  - (a) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
  - (b) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
  - (c) Ministry of Home Affairs
  - (d) Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
- 139. Consider the following statements:
  - Sustainable Development Report (SDR) is published by Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN).
  - India ranked 121 out of the 163 countries according to SDR 2022.
  - 3. Finland topped the SDG Index 2022.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 140. Consider the following statements regarding Mission Indradhanush:
  - 1. It has been identified as one of the flagship schemes under Gram Swaraj Abhiyan.
  - It provides vaccination against 12 Vaccine-Preventable Diseases (VPDs) to unvaccinated or partially vaccinated children under Universal Immunisation Programme (UIP).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 141. Consider the following statements:
  - World Trade Organisation's (WTO's) Trade Facilitation
    Agreement (TFA) came into force after its ratification
    by one-third of the WTO membership.
  - 2. India has ratified for WTO's TFA.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 142. Which of the following organisations founded World Food Programme?
  - (a) FAO and UNDP
  - (b) FAO and UNGA
  - (c) FDA and UNGA
  - (d) FDA and UNDP
- 143. Consider the following statements regarding Constitution of India:
  - 1. Celebrated on 26th November, it is also known as National Law Day.
  - 2. Constitution of India was formally adopted by the Constituent Assembly of India on 26th January 1950.

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

- Agreement:
  - 1. It replaced the Kyoto Protocol and adopted in 2015 at
  - 2. As per the Paris Agreement, countries submit their Long-term Low greenhouse gas Emission Development Strategies (LT-LEDS) that are mandatory.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 145. Consider the following statements regarding Public Interest Litigation (PIL):
  - 1. The concept of PIL has been taken from the American Jurisprudence.
  - 2. Article 39A provides for the protection and delivery of prompt social justice in sync with the concept of PIL.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 146. Consider the following statements regarding the Government of India (GOI) Act 1935:
  - 1. It introduced provincial autonomy replacing dyarchy in the provinces.
  - 2. Establishment of dyarchy at centre and Federation of India was suggested by GOI Act 1935.
  - 3. The office of Governor was established by this act vesting all the authority and powers of centre in the Governor.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 147. Consider the following statements regarding Pangong Tso:
  - 1. China and India have around one-third and two-thirds of Pangong Tso Lake respectively.
  - 2. It is one of the highest altitude lakes in the world, known for its color changing ability and is filled with saline water.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 148. Consider the following statements regarding Essential Services Maintenance Act (ESMA), 1968:
  - 1. It allows police to arrest a person who violates ESMA, 1968 without any warrant.
  - 2. This act is a subject matter of State List of 7th Schedule of Indian Constitution.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 144. Consider the following statements regarding Paris | 149. Consider the following statements regarding Domestic Violence Act 2005:
  - 1. It allows for the appointment of protection officers to assist women with legal procedures.
  - 2. Domestic Incident Reports serve as important records whole taking evidence.
  - 3. As per this act, complaints can't be filed against the wife by a female relative of the husband.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 150. Consider the following statements regarding National Family Health Survey (NFHS-5):
  - 1. Total fertility rate has seen a decline at the national
  - 2. Bihar and Meghalaya exhibited the highest fertility rates in the nation.
  - 3. Sikkim and Goa showed the lowest fertility rates.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 151. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Collegium system of the Supreme Court comprises the Chief Justice of India and four other senior most judges of the Court.
  - 2. A High Court's collegium includes its Chief justice and three other senior most judges of that court.

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
- 152. Consider the following statements regarding Millets:
  - 1. It is cultivated in dry areas of temperate, tropical and sub-tropical regions.
  - 2. The earliest evidence for this crop can be traced back to the Indus Valley Civilization.
  - 3. Rajasthan is one of the largest producers of millet in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 1 and 3 only
- 153. Consider the following statements regarding Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015:
  - 1. It replaced the Hindu Adoptions and Maintenance Act (1956) and Guardians of the ward Act (1890) to offer a universally accessible adoption law.
  - 2. A statutory body, Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) was established for adoption-related matters.
  - 3. All Child Care Institutions (CCIs) need to mandatorily be registered under this act.

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

- 154. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. To fulfill the obligations regarding the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 was enacted in India.
  - 2. Article 41 provides for making effective provisions for the disabled persons to secure them right to work, education and public assistance.
  - 'Relief of the disabled and unemployable' is a subject matter enumerated under the concurrent list of the seventh schedule of Indian constitution.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 155. Which of the following ministries launched the ECO Niwas Samhita 2018, seen sometime in news?
  - (a) Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
  - (b) Ministry of Earth Sciences
  - (c) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
  - (d) Ministry of Power
- 156. Consider the following statements regarding National Cyber Security Strategy:
  - 1. It is responsible for the development of state-level cyber security policies.
  - 2. It encompasses the mapping and modelling of platforms related to digital payments.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 157. Consider the following statements regarding Global Shield Fund:
  - 1. It has been launched by G20 nation to help poor nations handle the effects of climate change at COP27.
  - 2. The funding initiative is backed by V20 group of climate-vulnerable countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 158. Global Multidimensional Poverty Index was launched by which of the following?
  - (a) OPHI and UNDP
- (b) OPHI and UNGA
- (c) UNDP and UNGA
- (d) None of the above
- 159. Consider the following statements regarding GM Mustard (DMH-11):
  - 1. It is an indigenously developed Herbicide Tolerant (HT) mustard at Centre for Genetic Manipulation of Crop Plants (CGMCP), Delhi University.
  - 2. Two alien genes- 'barnase' and 'barstar' isolated from a soil bacterium were introduced into mustard to produce high-yielding DMH-11.

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

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

- 160. Consider the following statements regarding United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC):
  - Its members are elected by the United Nations General Assembly.
  - 2. United Nations Commissions on Human Rights was replaced by UNHRC.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 161. India International Cherry Blossom Festival is celebrated in which of the following states?
  - (a) Meghalaya
- (b) Mizoram
- (c) Nagaland
- (d) Arunachal Pradesh
- 162. Consider the following statements:
  - The provision of compulsory licensing under the Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) agreement came into being with WTO's Doha Declaration, 2001.
  - 2. The central government can allow compulsory licenses to be issued at any time in case of emergency as per the Indian Patents Act, 1970.

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
- 163. Consider the following statements regarding Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)'s Settlement System:
  - 1. The settlement of the trade takes place in two working days and the amount in the investor's account by the third day in case of T+2 settlement system.
  - 2. Settlement of trade takes place in one working day and the investor gets the money on second day in case of T+1 settlement system.

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. Consider the following statements regarding Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999:
  - 1. Under this act, all transactions involving foreign transactions are classified as capital and current account transactions.
  - 2. Capital account transactions don't alter a person's assets outside India whereas current account transactions do.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 165. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Official languages of India are dealt by Part XVII of the Constitution.
  - 2. Article 351 provides for the spread of the Hindi language so that it may serve as a medium of expression.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 166. Which of the following is an Inactivated Covid-19 Vaccine?
  - (a) Covaxin
- (b) Corbevax
- (c) Covishield
- (d) Sputnik V
- 167. Consider the following statements regarding Kanha National
  - 1. It is the largest national park in India.
  - 2. It is the first tiger reserve of India that introduced 'Bhoorsingh the Barasingha'.

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

- 168. Consider the following statements regarding Biofuels:
  - 1. First-generation biofuels are obtained from food sources and second-generation biofuels are produced from micro-organisms such as algae.
  - 2. Biogas is formed through anaerobic decomposition of organic matter like human and animal excreta.

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
- 169. Consider the following statements regarding Youth Bulge:
  - 1. It is a common phenomenon in developing nations specifically in the least developed nations.
  - 2. It happens on account of declining infant mortality but high fertility rate among mothers.

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

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