



Monthly Editorial Quiz (Consolidation)

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1. Consider the following statements with respect to Constitutional Bench of Supreme Court:

1. A Constitution Bench is a bench of the Supreme Court having three or more judges on it.
2. Constitution Benches are set up on an ad hoc basis (particular purpose) as and when the need arises.
3. Article 145(3) provides for the minimum number of Judges who are to sit for the purpose of deciding any case involving a substantial question of law.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

2. With reference to the Atal Bhujal Yojana, consider the following statements:

1. The Atal Bhujal Yojana (ABHY) is a centrally sponsored scheme for sustainable management of groundwater with community participation.
2. It is being implemented by the Ministry of Jal Shakti (earlier known as Ministry of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation).
3. The scheme is being funded by the Government of India and the World Bank on a 75:25 basis.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

3. Consider the following statements with respect to "Israel-Palestine Conflict":

1. The seeds of the conflict were laid in 1947 when the then Britain expressed official support for a Jewish "national home" under the Balfour Declaration.
2. Palestinian Liberation Organisation (PLO) was founded, with the aim of freeing Palestine from clutches of Israel and Jewish domination and setting up the dominance of Muslim Brotherhood in the Arab world.
3. The United Nations granted the PLO observer status in 1975 and recognizes Palestinians' right to self-determination.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

4. With reference to the Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML), consider the following statements:

1. AI is the ability of a computer, or a robot controlled by a computer to do tasks that are usually done by humans because they require human intelligence and discernment.
2. ML is a subset of AI that involves the development of algorithms that allow computers to learn from data without being explicitly programmed.
3. NITI Aayog, has issued some guiding documents on AI Issues such as the 'National Strategy for AI' and the 'Responsible AI for All report'.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

5. With reference to the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, consider the following statements:

1. The Andaman and Nicobar Islands are a group of islands at the southwestern edge of the Bay of Bengal.
2. The Andaman and Nicobar Islands are home to 5 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups: Great Andamanese, Jarwas, Onges, Shompens and North Sentinelese.
3. These islands give India a commanding position over the Sea Lines of Communication (SLOCs) and the considerable traffic that flows through the Malacca Strait.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

6. Which one of the following statements is **not** correct regarding the office of Speaker of Lok Sabha?

- (a) The Constitution of India provides detailed and elaborate provisions and qualifications for being elected the Speaker of the Lok Sabha
- (b) The Speaker is elected from among the Lok Sabha members by a simple majority of members present and voting in the House.
- (c) The Speaker holds Office from the date of his/her election till immediately before the first meeting of the next Lok Sabha for 5 years.
- (d) He/She is the final interpreter of the provisions of the Constitution of India, the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business of Lok Sabha

7. Consider the following International Conventions:

1. Minamata Convention
2. Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)
3. United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity (UNCBD)
4. United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)

How many of the above conventions are financed by the Global Environment Facility (GEF)?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

8. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Parliamentary privilege refers to rights, immunities and exemptions enjoyed by Parliament as an institution and Member of Parliaments (MPs) in their individual capacity.

Statement-II: Article 105 of the Constitution mentions two privileges, i.e. freedom of speech in Parliament and right of publication of its proceedings.

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.
9. Regarding the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (Amendment) Act 2021, consider the following statements:
1. It expands access to safe and legal abortion services on therapeutic, eugenic, humanitarian and social grounds to ensure universal access to comprehensive care.
 2. Opinion of the State-level medical board is essential for a pregnancy to be terminated after 24 weeks in case of substantial foetal abnormalities.
 3. It Increases the upper gestation limit from 20 to 28 weeks for special categories of women, including survivors of rape, victims of incest and other vulnerable women.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) Only one (b) Only two
 (c) All three (d) None
10. With reference to Electoral Bonds, consider the following statements:
1. These bonds are only redeemable in the designated account of a registered political party.
 2. The donor's name is not mentioned on the bond.
 3. State Bank of India is authorized to issue and encash these bonds, which are valid for fifteen days from the date of issuance.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only
 (c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 only
11. Consider the following statements regarding CERT-In:
1. CERT-In is the national nodal agency for responding to computer security incidents as and when they occur.
 2. CERT-In works under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
 3. CERT-In provides services to the organizations in the Government, Public and Private sectors.
- How many statements given above are correct?
- (a) Only one (b) Only two
 (c) Only three (d) None
12. Regarding the India-United Kingdom Relations, consider the following statements:
1. The first-generation bilateral investment treaty between the two countries was signed in 1994.
 2. India has recently signed a historic Free Trade Agreement with United Kingdom.
- 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. Regarding the El Nino, consider the following statements:
1. During El Niño, the surface winds across the entire tropical Pacific are weaker than usual.
 2. Within any given decade, the warmest years are usually El Niño ones.
 3. The influence of El Niño in world can be so strong that they increase the odds of extreme weather events.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) Only one (b) Only two
 (c) All three (d) None
14. With reference to Census, consider the following statements:
1. Census is primarily a "headcount" of inhabitants of the nation or a defined territory.
 2. Census is well defined both in the Constitution and the Census Act of 1948.
 3. The first complete census in India was done in 1881.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 3 only (b) 2 only
 (c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 only
15. Consider the following pairs:
- | Conflict Region | Countries |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Senkaku Island | A. China-Japan |
| 2. Nagorno-Karabakh conflict | B. Armenia and Azerbaijan |
| 3. West Bank Conflict | C. Israel-Hamas |
- 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
16. Consider the following statements with respect to 'preventive detention':
1. Preventive detention means the detention of a person without trial and conviction by a court.
 2. Preventive detention is only a precautionary measure based on suspicion.
 3. The detention of a person cannot exceed one month unless the advisory board reports sufficient cause for extended detention.
- How many of the above statements are **not** correct?
- (a) Only one (b) Only two
 (c) All three (d) None
17. With reference to the Controller General of Accounts (CGA), consider the following statements:
1. The CGA is the Principal Accounting Adviser to the Government of India.
 2. The office is in the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance.
 3. It is in charge of the exchequer control and internal audits.
- How many of the above statements are correct?
- (a) Only one (b) Only two
 (c) All three (d) None

18. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)':

1. The OECD is responsible for publishing economic reports, statistical databases, analyses, and forecasts on the outlook for economic growth worldwide.
2. It is an official Permanent observer to the United Nations and is referred to as a think-tank or as a monitoring group.
3. The OECD also maintains a "blacklist" of nations that are considered uncooperative tax havens.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

19. With reference to the Central Board of Direct Taxation (CBDT), consider the following statements:

1. It is a statutory authority functioning under the Central Board of Revenue Act, 1963.
2. The CBDT is a part of the Department of Revenue in the Ministry of Finance.
3. The CBDT is headed by Chairman and also comprises six members, all of whom are ex-officio Special Secretary to the Government of India.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

20. With reference to the Most Favored Nation (MFN), consider the following statements:

1. The title of the Most Favored Nation (MFN) is a status or level of treatment given by one country to another with respect to international trade.
2. MFN is a discriminatory trade policy as it does not ensure equal trading among all WTO member nations.
3. The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development has sought to extend preferential treatment to the exports of the developing countries.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

21. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI)':

1. 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. The PMI of the previous month is higher than the PMI of the current month, it represents that the economy is expanding.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

22. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The Indian economy is confronted with a dual set of challenges, comprising structural issues pertaining to the fundamental framework of the economy, such as the adaptability or rigidity of labor laws, and cyclical issues, encompassing short-term concerns like adverse monsoon conditions that disrupt food production.

Statement-II: Due to the presence of both structural and cyclical factors, experts are finding it challenging to curb this economic downturn.

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.

23. Regarding the Governor consider the following statements:

1. One person can't be appointed as Governor for two or more States.
2. The governor is the constitutional head of the state, bound by the advice of the Council of Ministers (CoM).
3. The governor has the authority to grant approval, refrain from granting approval, or hold back a bill passed by the Legislative Assembly for the President's deliberation.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

24. With reference to Electoral Bonds, consider the following statements:

1. There is no cap on the number of electoral bonds that a person or company can purchase.
2. Registered political parties securing at least 1% votes in recent Lok Sabha or State Assembly polls can obtain a verified account from the Election Commission of India (ECI).
3. The name and other information of the donor are not entered on the instrument and thus electoral bonds are said to be anonymous.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

25. Regarding the Amendments to IT Rules, 2021 consider the following statements:

1. Intermediaries must ensure rule compliance, privacy, and user agreement, and deter users from sharing banned content.
2. The central government will establish one or more Grievance Appellate Committee to hear appeals against the decisions of grievance officers.

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 the Reserve Bank of India, consider the following statements:

1. It was set up on the basis of the recommendations of the Hilton Young Commission.
2. The Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 provides the statutory basis of the functioning of the Bank.
3. Though originally set up as a shareholder's bank it was nationalised in 1949.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

27. Regarding the Commission for Air Quality Management, consider the following statements:

1. It is a statutory body formed under the Commission for Air Quality Management in National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas, Act 2021.
2. It dissolved the Environment Pollution Prevention and Control Authority (EPCA) established in the NCR in 1998.
3. The Commission will be headed by the Chief Minister of Delhi.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only One (b) Only Two
(c) All three (d) None

28. With reference to GST Council, consider the following statements:

1. It is headed by the Union Finance Minister.
2. One half of the total number of members of the GST Council shall constitute the quorum at its meeting.
3. The vote of the Central Government shall have a weightage of 2/3rd of the votes cast while that of all state Governments is 1/3rd.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

29. Regarding the Global Antimicrobial Resistance and Use Surveillance System (GLASS), consider the following statements:

1. GLASS has been conceived to progressively incorporate data from the surveillance of AMR in humans and surveillance of the use of antimicrobial medicines.
2. GLASS provides a standardized approach to the collection, analysis, interpretation and sharing of data by 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

30. Regarding the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) consider the following statements:

1. The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), is a statutory organization set up under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974.
2. One of the principal functions of CPCB is to improve the quality of air and to prevent, control or abate air pollution in the country.
3. CPCB is also mandated to collect, collate and disseminate technical and statistical data relating to water pollution.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only One (b) Only Two
(c) All Three (d) None

31. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana, consider the following statements:

1. Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PM-GKAY) is a scheme as part of Atmanirbhar Bharat to supply free food grains to migrants and the poor.
2. The scheme offers 5kg of free food grains monthly, alongside subsidized ration under the NFSA.
3. Families belonging to Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) and Priority Households (PHH) categories will be eligible for the scheme for PDS-covered families.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

32. Regarding the Poshan Tracker consider the following statements:

1. It is a mobile based application rolled out by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
2. Poshan Tracker is being leveraged for dynamic identification of stunting, wasting, under weight prevalence among children and last mile tracking of nutrition service delivery.

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. Regarding the Election Commission of India, consider the following statements:

1. The Election Commission of India (ECI) is a statutory body responsible for administering Union and State election processes in India.
2. It was established in accordance with the Constitution on 25th January 1950.
3. It is not concerned with the elections to panchayats and municipalities in the states.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) One Only
(b) Two Only
(c) All three
(d) None

34. Regarding the UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN), consider the following statements:

1. UCCN was created in 2004 to promote cooperation among cities that have identified creativity as a strategic factor for sustainable urban development.
2. The network is aimed at leveraging the creative, social, and economic potential of cultural industries.
3. Apart from Kozhikode and Gwalior, Varanasi (music), Srinagar (crafts and folk arts) and Chennai (music) are part of the network.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

35. Consider the following pairs:

Project	State
1. Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation Project	A. Telangana
2. Barwas Micro Irrigation Project	B. Rajasthan
3. Sanjay Sarovar Irrigation Project	C. Madhya 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

36. Regarding the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP), consider the following statements:

1. GRAP is a set of emergency action plan implemented in four stages depending on the severity of the air pollution.
2. The fourth and final stage of the GRAP is enforced when the air quality is in the 'severe plus' category.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

37. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Disqualification':

1. The 52nd Amendment Act of 1985 provided for the disqualification of the members of Parliament and the state legislatures on the ground of defection.
2. The 91st Constitutional Amendment Act of 2003 stipulates that at least two-thirds of a political party's members must support a "merger" for it to be considered valid.
3. Any questions regarding disqualification arising out of defection are to be decided by the President.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

38. With reference to the Competition Commission of India (CCI), consider the following statements:

1. It is a constitutional body of the Government of India responsible for enforcing the Competition Act, 2002.
2. The commission is a quasi-judicial body which gives opinions to statutory authorities and also deals with other cases.

3. Its basic objective is to eliminate practices having adverse effects on competition, protect the interests of consumers and ensure freedom of trade in the markets of India.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

39. With reference to the Noise Pollution, consider the following statements:

1. According to the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 noise is considered an 'air pollutant'.
2. Noise pollution and its sources are regulated under the Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 under The Environment (Protection) Act, 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

40. With reference to the Net neutrality, consider the following statements:

1. Net neutrality is the principle that all internet traffic should be treated equally, without discrimination or preference given to any particular website, service, or application.
2. It is an important principle that helps to ensure a level playing field on the internet, and to protect the free flow of information and ideas.
3. Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) is an independent regulator in the telecom sector, which mainly regulates TSPs and their licensing conditions, etc.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

41. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY)':

1. The scheme aimed at providing each person who is covered under the National Food Security Act 2013.
2. The benefit of the free ration can be availed through portability by any migrant labor or beneficiary under the One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) plan.
3. The scheme is run by the Ministry of Finance and Food and Public Distribution.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

42. With reference to the Eighth Schedule of the Indian Constitution, consider the following statements:

1. It lists the official languages of the republic of India.
2. All the Classical Languages are listed in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution.
3. The Ministry of Culture provides the guidelines regarding both official and classical languages.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

43. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) occurs when bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites change over time and no longer respond to medicines making infections harder to treat and increasing the risk of disease spread, severe illness and death.

Statement-II: India is facing the challenges of combating diseases like Tuberculosis, Cholera, and Malaria which are becoming more and more drug-resistant; on the other hand, the emergence of newer multi-drug-resistant organisms poses newer diagnostic and therapeutic 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.

44. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP)':

- GRAP is a collection of immediate measures that are activated to forestall any further degradation of air quality in the Delhi-NCR region once it crosses a specific threshold.
- It was approved by the Supreme Court's order in the matter of M.(c)Mehta vs. Union of India (2016).
- It is being implemented by the Environment Pollution (Prevention & Control) Authority (EPCA).

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

45. With reference to the National Green Tribunal (NGT), consider the following statements:

- India established the NGT, making it the third country in the world, following Australia and New Zealand, to create a dedicated environmental tribunal.
- The Chairperson is appointed by the President of India in consultation with the Chief Justice of India (CJI).

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 with respect to 'Air Quality Index (AQI)':

- The computation of the AQI is based on the average air pollutant concentration over a specified period, which is obtained from an air monitor or model.
- The AQI increases because of an increase in the emission of air pollutants.

3. PM 2.5 and PM 10 is the most common method of measuring air quality.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

47. Consider the following gasses:

- Lead (Pb)
- Ammonia (NH₃)
- Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂)
- Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂)

How many of the above are measured during the calculation of Air Quality Index (AQI)?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

48. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Parkinson's Disease':

- It is a progressive neurological disorder that affects the nervous system and the parts of the body controlled by the nerves.
- It is caused by the degeneration of nerve cells in the part of the brain called the hypothalamus, which controls movement.
- These nerve cells die or become impaired, losing the ability to produce an important chemical called dopamine.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

49. With reference to the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP), consider the following statements:

- It is the first-ever effort in the country to frame a national framework for air quality management with a time-bound reduction target.
- It seeks to cut the concentration of particulate matter by at least 35% in the next five years, with 2021 as the base year for comparison.
- The plan encompasses 102 non-attainment cities spanning 23 states and Union territories, which were designated by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB).

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

50. With reference to the Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI), consider the following statements:

- The PMI's objective is to furnish insights into present and forthcoming business conditions for the benefit of corporate decision-makers, analysts, and investors.
- A high PMI reading is seen as a positive sign for the economy, as it indicates that the manufacturing and services sectors are performing well and contributing to economic growth.

3. If the previous month's PMI exceeds the current month's PMI, it indicates an economic contraction.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

51. The primary ingredient in urban smog is ozone created when hydrocarbon reacts in presence of sunlight:

1. Nitrogen Oxides
2. Carbon Monoxide
3. Sulfur dioxide
4. Particulate matter

How many of the above gasses react with hydrocarbon for creating ozone in urban smog?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

52. With reference to the Ecological Functions, consider the following statements:

1. Energy flow refers to the movement of energy through Biotic Component to Abiotic Component.
2. Ecological succession refers to the process through which the species and environment mix in a given area changes over time.
3. The nutrient cycle is a concept that describes the transfer of nutrients from the physical environment to living beings and back again.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

53. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Total Fertility Rate':

1. The total fertility rate is the average number of children that a woman will have during her lifetime.
2. The TFR decreased from 3.4 to 2.0 children between 1992-93 and 2019-21.
3. Bihar and Meghalaya have the highest fertility rates in the country.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

54. With reference to the Stubble Burning, consider the following statements:

1. Stubble burning is the intentional burning or setting on fire of crop residue to remove them from the field in order to sow the next crop.
2. It emits large amounts of toxic pollutants such as methane (CH₄), Carbon Monoxide (CO), Volatile Organic compounds (VOC) and aromatic hydrocarbons.
3. It was notified as an offense under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

55. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser (PSA)':

1. The Prime Minister's Science, Technology and Innovation Advisory Council (PM-STIAC) is an overarching council that facilitates the PSA's office.
2. It functions as the Secretariat to the Scientific Advisory Committee to the President, with the Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India as its Chairman.
3. It generates science and technology tasks in critical infrastructure, economic and social sectors in partnership with Government departments, institutions and industry.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

56. Consider the following constituents:

1. Nitrogen
2. Carbon Dioxide
3. Ozone
4. Sulfur Dioxide

How many of the above are constituent of the Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) along with main Methane (CH₄) as main constituent?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

57. With reference to the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG), consider the following statements:

1. The administrative expenses of the office of the CAG, are charged upon the Consolidated Fund of India.
2. He does not audit expenditure from the Contingency Fund of India and the Public Account of India.
3. He advises the President with regard to the prescription of the form in which the accounts of the Centre and the states shall be kept.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

58. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Galaxies':

1. A galaxy is a vast cosmic structure that consists of interstellar gas, remnants of dead stars, and dark matter, all interconnected and bound together by the force of gravity.
2. Elliptical galaxies have a bulge in the center composed of old stars surrounded by a disk of young stars and are arranged in spiral arms.
3. Spiral galaxies are like flattened balls of old stars and contain very little gas.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

59. With reference to the Dark Matter, consider the following statements:

1. Dark matter is made up of charged particles that have either positive or negative charges.
2. They lack the ability to emit light, which is an electromagnetic phenomenon.
3. They share the property of having mass similar to ordinary matter and interact through the force of gravity.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

60. Consider the following statements with respect to James Webb Space telescope:

1. It is the most powerful infrared telescope of National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).
2. The telescope is the result of an international collaboration between NASA, the European Space Agency (ESA) and the Canadian Space Agency.
3. The telescope will study the atmospheres of a wide diversity of exoplanets.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

61. With reference to the Euclid Space Telescope, consider the following statements:

1. Euclid is a visible to near-infrared space telescope developed by the European Space Agency (ESA).
2. The objective of the Euclid mission is to better understand dark energy and dark matter by accurately measuring the acceleration of the universe.
3. The Telescope will measure the shapes of galaxies at varying distances from Earth.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

62. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Tuberculosis (TB) is caused by a bacterium called *Mycobacterium tuberculosis*, belonging to the *Mycobacteriaceae* family consisting of about 200 members. Some of *Mycobacteria* cause diseases like TB and Leprosy in humans and others infect a wide range of animals.

Statement-II: In humans, TB most commonly affects the lungs (pulmonary TB), but it can also affect other organs (extra-pulmonary TB). TB is a very ancient disease and has been documented to have existed in Egypt as early as 3000 BC.

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.

63. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Bedaquiline':

1. Bedaquiline is an oral medication used to treat multidrug-resistant tuberculosis (MDR-TB).
2. It has a unique mechanism of action, targeting the aminoglycosides enzyme of the TB mycobacteria.
3. Bedaquiline is central to WHO recommended TB treatment regimens.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

64. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Production-Linked Incentives (PLI) Scheme':

1. The main objectives of the PLI scheme are to comply with World Trade Organisation obligations and promote fair treatment for domestic sales and exports.
2. It aims to attract foreign investments in advanced technology and core sectors, boost exports, and contribute to economic growth.
3. The scheme encourages sustainable development and investments in labour-intensive sectors, making it an effective and accessible program.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

65. Regarding the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF), consider the following statements:

1. This framework will advance resilience, sustainability, inclusiveness, economic growth, fairness, and competitiveness for the economies of the region.
2. The IPEF partners represent less than half of global GDP and approximately a quarter of global goods and services trade.
3. India is not a part of this initiative.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) One Only (b) Two Only
(c) All Three (d) None

66. With reference to the American Partnership for Economic Prosperity, consider the following statements:

1. The America's Partnership is a framework for regional cooperation to foster regional competitiveness, resilience, shared prosperity, and inclusive and sustainable investment.
2. India is the founding member of this framework.

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. Regarding the Mental Healthcare Act, 2017 consider the following statements:

1. It grants patients access to rehabilitation services in hospitals, communities, homes, and supported housing.

2. Someone attempting suicide will be presumed to be under "severe stress" and will be exempt from investigation or prosecution.

3. The act envisages the establishment of a Central Mental Health Authority and a State Mental Health Authority.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

68. Regarding the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Amendment Act, 2021 consider the following statements:

1. It expands access to safe and legal abortion services on therapeutic, eugenic, humanitarian, and social grounds to ensure universal access to comprehensive care.
2. A pregnancy may be terminated up to 20 weeks by a married woman in the case of failure of a contraceptive method or device.
3. Unmarried women have been kept out of the ambit of this law.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only One (b) Only Two
(c) All Three (d) None

69. Regarding the Lok Sabha Ethics Committee consider the following statements:

1. The 15-member Committee reviews complaints of unethical conduct by Lok Sabha members referred by the Speaker, making appropriate recommendations.
2. The members of the Ethics Committee are appointed by the Speaker for a period of one year.
3. The Speaker can refer to the Committee only specific complaints against a Member of Parliament (MP).

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) One Only (b) Two Only
(c) All Three (d) None

70. With reference to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization(UNESCO), consider the following statements:

1. UNESCO fosters knowledge exchange and open idea circulation to enhance mutual understanding and deepen insight into each other's lives.
2. The 1972 United Nations Charter which links together the concepts of nature conservation and the preservation of cultural properties was developed by UNESCO.

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. With reference to Air Quality Index Report 2023, consider the following statement:

1. It is published annually by the Central Pollution Control Board(CPCB).
2. In 2023, the Air Quality Life Index (AQLI) revealed that air pollution reduces Delhi residents' life expectancy by approximately 11.9 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

72. Regarding the Deepfakes consider the following statements:

1. Deepfakes, employing Artificial Intelligence (AI) deep learning, are the 21st century's equivalent of manipulating images, generating realistic but fabricated scenes.
2. Deepfakes can't be created using a generative adversarial network, or GAN.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

73. Regarding the Food Corporation of India(FCI), consider the following statements:

1. FCI is a statutory body set up in 1965 under the Food Corporations Act 1964.
2. FCI coordinates its functions through a country-wide network of offices with Headquarters in Kolkata and five Zonal Offices.
3. Ensuring the food security of the nation by maintaining a satisfactory level of operational buffer stocks of food grains is one of the objectives of FCI.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only One (b) Only Two
(c) All Three (d) None

74. With reference to the United Nations Security Council(UNSC), consider the following statements:

1. Each year the General Assembly elects five non-permanent members (out of 10 in total) for a two-year term.
2. While open meetings of the Security Council are formal in nature, closed meetings are informal in nature.

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 with respect to 'Cyclone Vardah':

1. It was a tropical cyclone that originated in the Arabian Sea
2. It was created as a depression (low pressure) over the Andaman Sea and later slightly intensified further as a cyclonic storm.
3. The reason for the intensification can be attributed to warm sea surface temperatures of the Arabian Sea and longer sea travel.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
(b) Only two
(c) All three
(d) None

76. With reference to the Raghavan Committee, consider the following statements:

1. The Supreme Court revisited the issues of a hike in fellowships provided by the University Grant Commission (UGC) and appointed a committee chaired by RK Raghavan.
2. The committee's recommendations were later adopted by the University Grants Commission (UGC).
3. This committee has also suggested possible actions that can be taken against persons/institutions that indulge/fail to curb ragging.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

77. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Committee of Privileges':

1. This committee consists of 15 members in the Lok Sabha nominated by the Speaker.
2. The committee examines every question involving a breach of privilege of the House.
3. This committee consists of 10 members in case of Rajya Sabha nominated by the Chairman of Rajya Sabha.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

78. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Lok Sabha's Ethics Committee':

1. The members of the Ethics Committee are appointed by the Speaker for a period of one year.
2. The 15-member Committee's function is to examine every complaint relating to unethical conduct of a Member of Lok Sabha referred to it by the Speaker.
3. The Committee of Privileges recommended the constitution of an Ethics Committee during the 13th Lok Sabha.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

79. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) has written to all States and Union Territories, suggesting that children with Type 1 diabetes (T1D) are provided with proper care and required facilities.

Statement-II: Type 1 diabetes (T1D) is a chronic condition in which the pancreas produces little or no insulin, which is a hormone needed to regulate blood sugar levels. This type of diabetes usually occurs in children and young adults, although it can occur at any age.

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.

80. Consider the following parliamentary committees:

1. Financial Committees
2. Committees to Enquire
3. Committees to Scrutinize and Control
4. Railway Convention Committee

How many of the above are not Parliamentary Standing Committees?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

81. First Past the Post System of election in our constitution is taken from which nation?

- (a) United States of America
(b) Britain
(c) Russia
(d) Franch

82. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Delimitation Commission':

1. The Constitution mandates that the Commission's orders are final and cannot be questioned before any court.
2. When the Delimitation Commission's orders are presented to the Lok Sabha or State Legislative Assembly, they have the authority to make amendments to the orders.
3. It provides a fair division of geographical areas so that one political party doesn't have an advantage over others in an election.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

83. With reference to the Joint Military Exercise Ekuverin, consider the following statements:

1. It is a bilateral annual exercise held alternately in India and Sri Lanka.
2. The exercise is aimed at enhancing interoperability in Counter Insurgency/ Counter Terrorism Operations under the UN mandate.
3. It also carries out joint Humanitarian Assistance & Disaster Relief operations.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

84. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Index of Industrial Production (IIP)':

1. It indicates the relative change of physical production in the field of industries during a specified year as compared to the previous year.
2. It is computed and published by the Central Statistical Organisation (CSO) on a monthly basis.
3. The current base year for the IIP series in India is 2011-12.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

85. Consider the following statements with respect to 'National Intelligence Grid (NATGRID)':

1. It is an attached office of the Ministry of Home Affairs that has been created as an IT platform to assist the intelligence and law enforcement agencies.
2. It has a robust mechanism to track suspects and prevent terrorist attacks with real-time data and access to classified information like immigration, banking and taxation Details.
3. It will be a medium for 11 Central agencies such as the Intelligence Bureau (IB) and the Research and Analysis Wing (R&AW) to access data on a secured platform.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

86. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Federalism is a system of government in which powers are divided between two or more levels of government, such as the center and the states or provinces.

Statement-II: The Indian Constitution establishes a federal system with some unitary features. It is sometimes called a quasi-federal system, as it contains elements of both federation and union.

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. With reference to the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF), consider the following statements:

1. It is a US-led initiative that aims to strengthen economic partnership among participating countries to enhance resilience, sustainability, inclusiveness, economic growth, fairness, and competitiveness in the Indo-Pacific region.
2. The IPEF is a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) and allows members to negotiate trade-related issues.
3. Fair & resilient trade is one of the four main pillars of the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF).

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

88. Consider the following states:

1. Andaman 2. Gujarat
3. Tamil Nadu 4. West Bengal

How many of the above states have Mangroves?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

89. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Headline inflation':

1. Headline inflation is the raw inflation figure reported through the Consumer Price Index (CPI) that is released monthly by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.
2. It is not adjusted to remove highly volatile figures, including those that can shift regardless of economic conditions.
3. It is the change in the costs of goods and services but does not include those from the food and energy sectors.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

90. With reference to the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), consider the following statements:

1. NAAQS are the standards for ambient air quality with reference to various identified pollutants notified under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.
2. Pollutants under NAAQS are PM10, PM2.5, SO2, NO2, CO, NH3, Ozone, Lead, Benzene, Benzo-Pyrene, Arsenic and Nickel.
3. The Air Quality Index includes all the NAAQS pollutants except benzene and benzopyrene.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

91. Consider the following statements with respect to 'United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)':

1. The General Assembly is the main deliberative, policymaking and representative organ of the United Nations.
2. Important questions, such as those on peace and security, admission of new members and budgetary matters, require a two-thirds majority of the General Assembly.
3. The President of the General Assembly is elected each year by assembly to serve a one-year term of office.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

92. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Artificial Intelligence (AI) is the ability of a computer, or a robot controlled by a computer to do tasks that are usually done by humans because they require human intelligence and discernment.

Statement-II: Deep Learning (DL) techniques enable this automatic learning of AI through the absorption of huge amounts of unstructured data such as text, images, or video.

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.
93. Which of the following acts eliminated the role of the viceroy and established a governor-general for each dominion, to be selected by the British King on the advice of the dominion cabinet.
 (a) Indian Independence Act, 1947
 (b) Government of India Act, 1935
 (c) Government of India Act, 1919
 (d) Charte Act, 1853
94. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana':
 1. PMUY is a flagship scheme with the objective of making clean cooking fuel such as CNG available to the rural and deprived households.
 2. The beneficiaries can also join the PAHAL scheme to receive the subsidy amount directly in their bank accounts.
 3. The scheme provides financial support to each LPG connection to the BPL households.
 How many of the above statements are **not** correct?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two
 (c) All three (d) None
95. Consider the following gasses:
 1. Oxides of nitrogen
 2. Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC)
 3. Ozone
 4. Aldehydes
 How many of the mentioned gasses contribute to the formation of photochemical smogs?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two
 (c) Only three (d) All four
96. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Jawaharlal Nehru':
 1. When the Civil Disobedience Movement began in 1920, he interacted with Mahatma Gandhi and joined the national independence movement.
 2. In 1929-31, he drafted a resolution called Fundamental Rights and Economic Policy, which outlined the Congress's main goals and the nation's future.
 3. In 1936, he presided over the Lucknow session of the Indian National Congress.
 How many of the above statements are correct?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two
 (c) All three (d) None
97. With reference to the Constituent Assembly, consider the following statements:
 1. The Constituent Assembly of India was established in accordance with the provisions of the Government of India Act, 1935.
 2. The Assembly was to be composed of proportional representation from existing provincial legislatures and princely states.
 3. The Assembly was to be divided into three sections: Punjab & the North-West, Bengal-Assam, and the rest of India.
 How many of the above statements are **not** correct?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two
 (c) All three (d) None
98. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Anti-Semitism':
 1. Anti-Semitism refers to any form of prejudice against the Jewish people.
 2. Racial anti-Semitism, most commonly associated with the Nazis, stems from a belief that Jews are a distinct, inferior race with inherent genetic traits.
 3. Religious anti-Semitism traces its roots to the early days of Christianity and is accompanied by a notion that Jews should be converted to other faiths.
 How many of the above statements are correct?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two
 (c) All three (d) None
99. With reference to the Arunachal Yak churpi, consider the following statements:
 1. Arunachal Yak churpi is a traditional cheese made from the milk of yaks, which are a breed of cattle adapted to high-altitude regions.
 2. Arunachal Yak churpi has been granted the Geographical Indication (GI) designation.
 3. Churpi is an integral part of the tangible cultural heritage of the region and plays a vital role in preserving and passing on the cultural heritage of Arunachal Pradesh.
 How many of the above statements are **not** correct?
 (a) Only one (b) Only two
 (c) All three (d) None
100. Consider the following statements:
Statement-I: After the suspension of the non-cooperation movement in 1922 by Gandhi, Azad joined Hindustan Republican Association (HRA).
Statement-II: HRA was a revolutionary organization of India established in 1924 in East Bengal by Sachindra Nath Sanyal, Narendra Mohan Sen and Pratul Ganguly as an offshoot of Anushilan Samiti.
 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.

101. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease (NAFLD)':

1. It is the abnormal accumulation of fat in the liver in the absence of secondary causes of fatty liver, such as harmful alcohol use, viral hepatitis.
2. NAFLD acts as an independent predictor of future risk of cardiovascular diseases, type 2 diabetes and other metabolic syndromes.
3. Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease (NAFLD) has not been integrated with the National Programme for Prevention & Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS).

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

102. Which one of the following constituents does not cause the toxicity in alcohol?

- (a) Ethanol (b) Methanol
(c) Isopropanol (d) Ethylene Glycol

103. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Pardoning Power of the President':

1. The President cannot exercise his power of pardon independent of the council of ministers.
2. The office of President forwards the mercy plea to the Home Ministry, seeking the Cabinet's advice.
3. Pardon removes both the sentence and the conviction and completely absolves the convict from all sentences, punishments and disqualifications.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

104. With reference to the Representation of the People Act, 1951, consider the following statements:

1. It lays down procedures for delimitation of constituencies.
2. It provides for the allocation of seats in the House of the People and in the Legislative Assemblies and Legislative Councils of States.
3. It specifies the qualifications and disqualifications for membership of the Houses.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

105. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA), 1976':

1. The law sought to regulate foreign donations only to associations so that they functioned in a manner consistent with the values of a sovereign democratic republic.
2. FCRA registrations are granted to associations that have definite cultural, economic, educational, religious, and social programmes.

3. The Act does not forbid individuals such as election candidates, journalists, newspaper and media broadcast companies from explicitly receiving foreign funds.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

106. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)':

1. The motto of ASEAN is "One Vision, One Identity, One Community"
2. ASEAN Coordinating Council (ACC) oversees the implementation of ASEAN agreements and decisions.
3. ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) is a platform for dialogue and cooperation on political and security issues among ASEAN member countries and their partners.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

107. With reference to the electoral bonds scheme, consider the following statements:

1. They serve as a means for individuals and entities to make donations to registered political parties.
2. State Bank of India (SBI) issues the bonds in denominations of Rs 1,000, Rs 10,000, Rs 1 lakh, Rs 10 lakh, and Rs 1 crore.
3. Political parties registered under the Representation of the People Act, 1951, and have secured not less than 1% of the votes polled in the last general election to the Lok Sabha or State Legislative Assembly, are eligible to receive electoral bonds.

How many of the above statements are not correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

108. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Chief Election Commissioner (CEC)':

1. The CEC can be removed from office only through a process of removal similar to that of a SC judge by Parliament.
2. The Constitution has debarred the retiring election commissioners from any further appointment by the government.
3. The Constitution has specified the term of the members of the Election Commission.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

109. With reference to the Special Marriage Act, 1954 consider the following statements:

1. It is an Indian law that provides a legal framework for the marriage of people belonging to different religions or castes.
2. The applicability of the Act does not extend to the people of faiths, Muslims, Jains, and Buddhists, across 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

110. With reference to the Generic Drugs, consider the following statements:

1. The Jan Aushadhi Kendras are entitled to sell generic drugs at affordable prices.
2. They are typically produced and marketed after the patent protection of the original brand-name drug expires.
3. Generic drugs contain the same active ingredients, have the same pharmacological effects, and provide the same therapeutic benefits as their brand-name counterparts.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (A) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

111. With reference to the Judicial Powers of the Governor, consider the following statements:

1. He can pardon, reprieve, respite, remit, suspend or commute a death sentence.
2. He can pardon, reprieve, respite, remit, suspend or commute the punishment or sentence of any person convicted of offense against a state law.

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

112. Consider the following statements with respect to 'State Legislatures':

1. The state legislatures can not make provision with respect to matters relating to elections to the state legislatures.
2. The Constitution declares that orders issued by the Delimitation Commission become final and cannot be challenged in any court.
3. The Returning Officer of a Parliamentary or assembly constituency is responsible for the conduct of elections in the Parliamentary or assembly constituency concerned.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

113. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Governor's legislative powers to reserve the bill of state legislature for consideration of the President':

1. Such reservation is obligatory, where the bill passed by the state legislature endangers the position of the state high court.
2. The governor can also reserve the state legislature bill if it opposes the Directive Principles of State Policy.
3. If the state legislature's bill is dealing with grave national importance in the bill then the governor can reserve the bill for consideration of the state legislature.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

114. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The 1991 Seoul Declaration marked the establishment of a liberalized free trade area around the Pacific Rim as Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)'s primary objective.

Statement-II: India's interest in APEC is based on its geographical location, the potential size of its economy, and its trade interactions with the Asia-Pacific.

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.

115. Which one of the following nations is not a member of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)?

- (a) Brazil (b) Peru
(c) Mexico (d) Malaysia

116. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Bharat New Car Assessment Programme':

1. This indigenous star-rating system aims to evaluate the safety of vehicles in the event of a collision.
2. The programme is applicable to passenger vehicles with not more than eight seats in addition to the driver's seat.
3. The test procedure involves Frontal Offset Test, Side Impact Test and Pole-Side Impact Test.

How many of the above statements are not correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

117. With reference to the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims, consider the following statements:

1. The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims is observed every year on the third Sunday in the month of November.
2. The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims 2023 puts the spotlight on justice.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

118. With reference to Lithium (Li), consider the following statements:

1. Lithium (Li), sometimes also referred as 'White gold' due to its high demand for rechargeable batteries, is a soft and silvery-white metal.
2. Lithium does not possess the characteristics necessary for effective participation in thermonuclear processes.

3. Lithium resources have been discovered in the Salal-Haimana area of the Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

119. Consider the following states in India:

1. Karnataka
2. Gujarat.
3. Madhya Pradesh
4. Chhattisgarh.

How many of the above have Lithium reserves?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

120. Consider the following statements with respect to the 'Mashelkar Committee, 1999':

1. This committee was tasked with overseeing the regulatory infrastructure and assessing the prevalence and issues related to spurious or substandard drugs in the country.
2. The committee recommended one drug inspector for 50 production units and one inspector for every 200 retail units.

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

121. Consider the following statements with respect to the 'National Medical Commission (NMC)':

1. The NMC acts as India's top regulator of medical education and practice.
2. The NMC replaced the erstwhile Medical Council of India (MCI) which was established in 1934.
3. The NMC chairpersons and other members are nominated by the Central government.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

122. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: US ban on the export of chip-making equipment will not affect only China but also make other countries devoid of the potential benefits.

Statement-II: The imposition of these sanctions has the potential to introduce substantial uncertainty into global supply chains.

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.

123. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Warli Painting':

1. Warli Painting is the folk painting of Maharashtra.
2. The name 'Warli' is inspired by the largest tribe found in the northern outskirts of Maharashtra's capital Mumbai.
3. Mythological stories are depicted in the Warli Art of Warli paintings.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

124. Consider the following statements with respect to the 'Mediterranean Sea':

1. It is bordered by the continent of Europe in the north, by Asia in the east, and by Africa in the south.
2. The Strait of Gibraltar serves as the narrow passage through which the Mediterranean Sea is linked to the Atlantic Ocean in the western region.
3. The Mediterranean Sea is also connected to the Red Sea via the Suez Canal in the southeast.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

125. With reference to the Supreme Court, consider the following statements:

1. The Judges Enquiry Act (1968) regulates the procedure relating to the removal of a judge of the Supreme Court by the process of impeachment.
2. A removal motion should be signed by 100 members in the case of Lok Sabha or 50 members in the case of Rajya Sabha.
3. The Speaker/Chairman is bound to admit the motion of removal.

How many of the above statements are not correct?

- (a) Only one
(b) Only two
(c) All three
(d) None

126. With reference to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), consider the following statements:

1. NATO provides protection to members in case of civil wars or internal coups also.
2. Most forces remain under full national command and control until member countries agree to undertake NATO-related tasks.
3. Mediterranean Dialogue is a partnership forum that aims to contribute to security and stability in NATO's Mediterranean and North African neighborhood.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
(b) Only two
(c) All three
(d) None

127. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Periodic Labour Force Survey of 2022-23':

1. The National Statistical Office (NSO) released the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) Annual Report 2022-2023
2. Labor force Participation Ratio (LFPR) has been decreased from 2017-18 to 2022-23.
3. Female unemployment rate increased from 2017-18 to 2022-23.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

128. With reference to the SpaceX's Starship spacecraft and Super Heavy rocket, consider the following statements:

1. It is collectively referred to as Starship, a fully reusable transportation system designed to carry both crew and cargo to Earth orbit, the Moon, Mars, and beyond.
2. It is powered by an array of Raptor engines, which are fueled by liquid methane (CH₄) and liquid oxygen (LOX).
3. Development and manufacturing of Starship takes place at Starbase, one of the world's first commercial spaceports designed for orbital missions.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

129. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The Constituent Assembly of India was elected with the objective of forming the Constitution of the country.

Statement-II: It was a unicameral body that had 389 elected members which were reduced to 299 after the partition of India to form Pakistan was finalized.

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.

130. Consider the following pairs with regard to several committees of the Constituent Assembly and its Chairmen:

Committees of Constituent Assembly	Chairmen
1. States Committee	A. Jawaharlal Nehru
2. Steering Committee	B. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
3. Provincial Constitution Committee	C. Acharya Kripalani
4. Drafting Committee	D. Dr. B R Ambedkar

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

131. Consider the following provisions:

1. All India Federation
2. Provincial Autonomy
3. Dyarchy at the center
4. Special powers to central and provincial executive.

How many of the above are provision of government of India Act?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

132. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Index of Industrial Production (IIP)':

1. It is computed and published by the Central Statistical Organisation (CSO) on a yearly basis.
2. It indicates the relative change of physical production in the field of industries during a specified year as compared to the previous 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

133. With reference to the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (QUAD), consider the following statements:

1. It is a grouping of four democracies India, Australia, the US, and Japan.
2. It aims to ensure and support a "free, open and prosperous" Indo-Pacific region.
3. The Malabar exercise started in 1992 as a bilateral exercise between India and Australia.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

134. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967':

1. An investigating officer is required to obtain the prior approval of the Director-General of Police to seize properties that may be connected with terrorism.
2. The Act grants supreme authority to the central government, allowing it to deem an activity as unlawful and officially declare it as such through the publication in the Official Gazette.
3. Investigation of cases can be conducted by officers of the rank of Deputy Superintendent or Assistant Commissioner of Police or above.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

135. Consider the following activities related to terrorism:

1. Commits or participates in acts of terrorism
2. Prepares for terrorism
3. Promotes terrorism
4. Otherwise involved in terrorism;

How many of the above mentioned activities are the criteria on which basis the central government declares an organization as a terrorist organization?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

136. Which one of the following international organizations has released a report Emissions Gap Report 2023: Broken Record?

- (a) United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP)
(b) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
(c) United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED)
(d) United Nations Children's Fund

137. Consider the following statements:

Statement 1: The Southeast Asia 2023 Survey by the ASEAN Studies Centre at ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute shows that the main concerns in the region are economic downturn, possible military tensions, and perceived inefficiency in ASEAN.

Statement 2: China maintains its status as the foremost economic and political force in the region, while the United States has strengthened its position over China in case of a decisive choice. Japan remains the most trusted major power.

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.

138. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Emissions Gap Report 2023: Broken Record':

1. The Report predicted a cut for 2030 greenhouse gas emissions by 28% for a 2°C goal and 42% for a 1.5°C goal.
2. The report finds that global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions increased by 1.2% from 2021 to 2022 to reach a new record of 57.4 Gigatonnes of Carbon Dioxide Equivalent.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

139. With reference to the power of the President regarding the state's money bill, consider the following statements:

1. The President may give his assent to the bill, the bill then becomes an Act.
2. He may withhold his assent to the bill, the bill then ends and does not become an act.
3. He may return the bill for reconsideration by the state legislature. If the bill is passed by the state legislature again with or without amendments the president is bound to give his assent to the bill.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

140. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The apex court held that the reputation of an individual is a basic element under Article 21 of the Constitution and balancing of fundamental rights is a constitutional necessity.

Statement-II: The citizens have a correlative duty of not interfering with the liberty of other individuals since everybody has a right to reputation and right to live with dignity.

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.

141. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Executive Powers of Governor':

1. He can make rules specifying the manner in which the Orders and other instruments made and executed in his name shall be authenticated.
2. He appoints the advocate general of a state and determines his remuneration.
3. He appoints the state election commissioner and determines his conditions of service and tenure of office.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

142. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Constituent Assembly':

1. Each province and princely state were to be allotted seats in proportion to their respective population.
2. Seats allocated to each British province were to be divided among the three principal communities - Muslims, Sikhs and General.
3. The Constituent Assembly was to be a partly elected and partly nominated body.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

143. Which one of the following people initiated the self respect movement?

- (a) Mahatma Gandhi
(b) E.V. Ramaswamy Naicker
(c) C R Das
(d) Motilal Nehru

144. Consider the following statements with respect to '7th Schedule of the Indian Constitution':

1. The 7th Schedule deals with the division of powers between the Union government and State governments.
2. This Schedule mentions three lists named Union List, State List, and Concurrent List which specify the divisions of power between Union and States.
3. The 42nd Amendment Act 1976 shifted Health as a subject from State List to Concurrent List.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

145. With reference to the High Court, consider the following statements:

1. The Parliament can extend the jurisdiction of a high court to any union territory but can not exclude the jurisdiction of a high court from any union territory.
2. As a Court of Record, the High Court has powers to keep records of perpetual memory and testimony of the judgements, proceedings and acts of the Supreme Courts.

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:

1. The GDP measures the monetary measure of all "final" goods and services that are bought by the final user produced in a country in a given period.
2. If the taxes earned by the government are more than the subsidies then GVA will be higher than GDP.
3. The GDP is derived by looking at the GVA data.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

147. With reference to the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PM-GKAY), consider the following statements:

1. The benefit of the free ration under this scheme can not be availed through portability by any migrant labor or beneficiary under the One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) plan.
2. The scheme aimed at providing each person who is covered under the National Food Security Act 2013 with an additional 5 kg grains (wheat or rice) for free.

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 with respect to 'Central Council of Ministers (CoM)':

1. The Council of Ministers headed by the Prime Minister is the real executive authority in the politico-administrative system of India.
2. The President can ask the Council of Ministers to reassess their advice, and subsequently, the President is obligated to adhere to the advice provided after this reconsideration.

3. The advice tendered by Ministers to the President shall not be inquired into in any court.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

149. Consider the following categories:

1. Tourist 2. Business
3. Conference 4. Medical

How many of the above categories are allowed to obtain e-visa?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

150. Which one of the following explains Kodokushi?

- (a) Lonely death
(b) Death due to Overwork
(c) Culture of Self-Isolation
(d) Death due to Over Eating

151. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure that examines the average change in prices paid by consumers for a basket of goods and services over time.

Statement-II: It serves as an indicator of inflation or deflation in an economy, providing valuable insights into the cost of living for the average consumer.

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.

152. Consider the following statements with respect to 'United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)':

1. It focuses on developing community-level services to achieve its larger goal of children's welfare and development.
2. The member nations are elected by the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) for a three-year term.

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

153. Regarding the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), consider the following statements:

1. It was formed in 2006 under the Disaster Management Act, 2005 with the purpose of specialized response to natural and man-made disasters
2. It functions under the Ministry of Home Affairs within the overall command, control, and leadership of the Director General, NDRF.

3. NDRF has also acquired considerable expertise in facing CBRN (Chemical, Biological, Radiological & Nuclear) challenges.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- (a) One Only (b) Two Only
(c) All Three (d) None

154. With reference to Refugees, consider the following statements:

1. India lacks specific legislation to address the problem of refugees.
2. India is a party to the 1951 Refugee Convention and its 1967 Protocol, the key legal documents pertaining to refugee protection.
3. Under the Foreigners Act of 1946, the Central government is empowered to detect, detain and deport illegal foreign nationals.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

155. Regarding the Finance Commission (FC), consider the following statements:

1. FCs are constitutional bodies set up under Article 280 of the Constitution every five years to make recommendations on the distribution of financial resources between the Union and the states.
2. In case of non-compliance with the recommendation of the Finance Commission, the president can dissolve the Lok Sabha.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) One Only (b) Two Only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

156. Consider the following pairs:

Acts	Years
1. The Dowry Prohibition Act	1994
2. Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act	2005
3. The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition, and Redressal) Act	1961
4. Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (PCPNDT) Act	2013

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

- (a) One Only (b) Two Only
(c) All Three (d) None

157. With reference to the Startup India Initiative, consider the following statements:

1. The Startup India initiative envisages building a robust Start-up ecosystem in the country for nurturing innovation and providing opportunities to budding entrepreneurs.

2. Fund of Funds for Startups (FFS), Startup India Seed Fund Scheme (SISFS), and Credit Guarantee Scheme for Startups (CGSS) are the flagship schemes under Startup 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

158. Regarding the Digital public infrastructure (DPI) consider the following statements:

1. Digital public infrastructure (DPI) refers to blocks or platforms such as digital identification, payment infrastructure, and data exchange solutions that help countries deliver essential services.
2. Each DPI layer fills a clear need and generates considerable value across sectors.
3. India, through India Stack, became the first country to develop all three foundational DPIs.

How many of the statements given above are **NOT** correct?

- (a) One Only (b) Two Only
(c) All Three (d) None

159. With reference to Fiscal Deficit, consider the following statements:

1. A fiscal deficit is the difference between the government's total expenditure and its total revenue (excluding borrowings).
2. A high fiscal deficit is seen as a positive sign of fiscal discipline and a healthy economy.
3. A lower fiscal deficit leads to inflation, devaluation of the currency, and an increase in the debt burden.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

160. Consider the following statements:

1. COP is the apex decision-making authority of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
2. The COP meets every five years unless the Parties decide otherwise.
3. India never hosted the COP of either of the three Rio Conventions on climate change (UNFCCC)

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) One Only (b) Two Only
(c) All Three (d) None

161. With reference to cryptocurrency, consider the following statements:

1. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) allows virtual currencies/cryptocurrencies to be used as legal tender in India.
2. The Supreme Court of India has also upheld the use of cryptocurrencies as legal tender.
3. In the Union budget for 2022-23, the Indian government explicitly stated that a 30% tax deduction would apply to the transfer of any virtual currency or cryptocurrency asset.

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

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

162. With reference to the National Mission on Sustaining Himalayan Ecosystem (NMSHE), consider the following statements:

1. NMSHE is one of the eight missions under the National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC).
2. It was launched in 2010 but was formally approved by the government in 2014.
3. It covers all the states and union territories in the territory of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

163. With reference to the adjournment, consider the following statements:

1. Adjournment terminates the sitting of the House which meets again at the time appointed for the next sitting.
2. The time between the adjournment and reassembly of the session is called Recess.
3. Adjournment without any definite time/ date fixed for the next meeting, is called Adjournment sine die.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

164. Consider the following statements:

Statement I: Every ordinary bill, after it is passed by the legislative assembly in case of a unicameral legislature or by both the Houses in case of a bicameral legislature, is presented to the governor for his assent.

Statement 2: The Governor can reserve the bill for the consideration of the President.

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.

165. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Pneumonia':

1. It is a Pneumococcal disease caused by bacteria called Streptococcus pneumoniae or pneumococcus.
2. It can develop from either bacteria, viruses or fungi in the air.
3. Three doses of the Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV) are recommended to prevent pneumonia.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

166. Consider the following statements with respect to 'CharDham Project':

1. Project aimed to improve the connectivity to the Chardham pilgrimage centers Badrinath, Kedarnath, Gangotri and Yamunotri in the Himalayas.
2. This project can act as the strategic feeder roads which connect the India-China border with the Army camps in Dehradun and Meerut.
3. Uttarakhand State Public Works Department (PWD), Border Roads Organisation (BRO) and the National Highway & Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL) are the implementing bodies.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one
(b) Only two
(c) All three
(d) None

167. Consider the following individuals:

1. H.C Mukharjee
2. Alladi Krishnaswamy Ayyar
3. Saifuddin Kitchlew
4. Syed Mohammad Saadullah

How many of the above are members of the Drafting Committee of Constituent Assembly?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) Only three (d) All four

168. With reference to the Money bill, consider the following statements:

1. A money bill pertains to the imposition, abolition, remission, alteration, or regulation of taxes.
2. Money bills can only be introduced in the Lok Sabha and only with the recommendation of the President.
3. If the Rajya Sabha does not return the bill to the Lok Sabha within 14 days, the bill is deemed to have been rejected by both Houses.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

169. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Leprosy':

1. It produces skin ulcers, nerve damage, and muscle weakness.
2. Clofazimine, along with Rifampicin and Dapsone, is one of the three essential drugs in the Multi-Drug Treatment of Multibacillary Leprosy (MB-MDT) cases.
3. National Leprosy Eradication Programme (NLEP) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme under the umbrella of National Health Mission (NHM).

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one
(b) Only two
(c) All three
(d) None

170. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Silkyara-Barkot tunnel':

1. The Silkyara-Barkot tunnel is part of the ambitious Char Dham all-weather road project of the Central Government.
2. Drill and Blast Method (DBM) involves drilling holes into rock and detonating explosives to break it apart.
3. Atal Tunnel is a highway tunnel that is the part of Sikyara-Barkot tunnel.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

171. Consider the following statements:

Statement I: The Mandal Commission was formed to determine the criteria for defining India's "socially and educationally backward classes" and to recommend steps to be taken for the advancement of those classes.

Statement II: It concluded that India's population consisted of approximately 52 percent OBCs, therefore 27% government jobs should be reserved for them.

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.

172. With reference to the India Human Development Survey (IHDS), consider the following statements:

1. The IHDS is a nationally representative, multi-topic panel survey of households, villages and urban neighborhoods across India.
2. IHDS has been jointly organized by researchers from the University of Maryland and the National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER).

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

173. With reference to the Gangotri Glacier, consider the following statements:

1. It is situated in the Uttarkashi District of Uttarakhand.
2. The Gangotri Group of mountain peaks, which includes summits like Meru, Shivling, Thalay Sagar, Chaukhamba, etc., encircles the glacier.
3. It ends at a location known as Gomukh or Gaumukh, which means "cow's mouth" because it is supposed to resemble a cow's mouth.

How many of the above statements are **not** correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

174. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Environment Impact Assessment (EIA)':

1. The objective of EIA is to identify, predict, and evaluate economic, environmental, and social impacts of development activities.
2. The determination of whether a full or partial assessment study is required or not is decided in the scoping stage of EI(a)

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

175. Consider the following statements with respect to "Loss and Damage":

1. It refers to impacts of climate change that cannot be avoided either by mitigation or adaptation.
2. They include only economic damage to property and loss of livelihoods, and not the destruction of biodiversity and sites that have cultural importance.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

176. With reference to the Global Goal on Adaptation (GGA), consider the following statements:

1. GGA was established under the Paris Agreement to enhance climate change adaptation
2. It is increasing awareness of and funding towards countries' adaptation needs in the context of the 1.5/2°C goal of the Paris Agreement.
3. Under the Global Goal on Adaptation, countries have to develop National Adaptation Plans (NAPS), which would identify activities that need support.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

177. Consider the following statements with respect to 'Paris Agreement on Climate Change':

1. The State of the Global Climate, 2022 report by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) highlighted that the Paris Agreement on Climate Change has proven ineffective in achieving its objectives.
2. As per the report, globally updated Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) to limit global warming to 1.5°C have failed even to achieve the 2°C target.
3. The Paris Agreement has been able to equitably phase out fossil fuels predominantly responsible for the climate crisis.

How many of the above statements are not correct?

- (a) Only one
(b) Only two
(c) All three
(d) None

178. With reference to the National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC), consider the following statements:
1. 103rd Constitution Amendment Act, 2018 provides constitutional status to the National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC).
 2. It has the authority to examine complaints and welfare measures regarding socially and educationally backward classes.
 3. The Supreme Court had directed the government to create a permanent body to recommend the inclusion and exclusion of Backward Classes for the purpose of benefits and protection in the Indra Sawhney case of 1992.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

179. Consider the following statements with respect to 'fossil fuels':

1. Fossil fuels are buried flammable geologic deposits of organic substances such as dead plants and animals that got deposited under several thousand feet of silt.
2. Organic deposits decayed with the passage of time and got converted into fossil fuel due to extreme heat and pressure inside the earth's crust.
3. Coal is a hard, black coloured fossil fuel made up of carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, oxygen and sulfur.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
(c) All three (d) None

180. With reference to the All-India Services, consider the following statements:

1. Under Article 312, Rajya Sabha is required to pass a resolution for creation of All India Services supported by not less than two-thirds of its members present and voting.
2. The creation of the All India Services requires a constitutional amendment.

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

181. Consider the following pairs with regard to Hydroelectric Power Plant and concerning Rivers:

Hydroelectric Power Plant	River
1. Nagarjuna Sagar Dam	A. Godavari
2. Karbi Langpi Hydro Electric Project (KLHEP)	B. Borpani River
3. Bhakra Hydroelectric Project	C. Chenab
4. Pong Hydroelectric Project	D. Beas River

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one
(b) Only two
(c) Only three
(d) All four

182. Which one of the following is not Darwin's three main principles of natural selection?

- (a) Theory of use and disuse of organs.
(b) More offspring must be produced than can survive.
(c) Most characteristics in the population must be inherited.
(d) Fittest offspring must be more likely to survive and reproduce.

183. Consider the following statements:

Statement 1: The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction was endorsed during the 3rd World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction which took place in Sendai, Japan.

Statement 2: The Sendai Framework, sanctioned in 2015, followed the conclusion of the Hyogo Framework, which had been effective from 2005 until 2015.

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

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I.
(b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I.
(c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect.
(d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct.

184. Regarding the Global Bond, consider the following statements:

1. A global bond, also known as a Eurobond, is issued and traded internationally, independent of the bond's currency denomination country.
2. Global bonds may have a fixed or floating rate with maturities ranging from one to 30 years.
3. Global bonds are grouped into developed country bonds and emerging market bonds.

How many of the statements given above are NOT correct?

- (a) One Only (b) Two Only
(c) All Three (d) None

185. With reference to the Chardham Project, consider the following statements:

1. Chardham Pariyojana aims to enhance connectivity to Chardham pilgrimage centers (Badrinath, Kedarnath, Gangotri, Yamunotri).
2. Uttarakhand State Public Works Department (PWD) is the sole implementing agency for the project.

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. Regarding World AIDS Day consider the following statements:

1. The theme for 2023 World AIDS Day is "World AIDS Day 35: Remember and Commit."
2. The first World AIDS Day took place in 1988, providing a platform to raise awareness about HIV and AIDS and honor the lives affected by the epidemic

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

187. With reference to Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs), consider the following statements:

1. NBFCs do not form part of the payment and settlement system and cannot issue cheques drawn on itself.
2. It is a company registered under the RBI Act, 1934.
3. Like the scheduled bank, NBFC can also accept demand deposits.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

188. Regarding the Election Commission of India (ECI) consider the following statements:

1. The ECI is a statutory body formed under the Election Commission Act, 1948.
2. The body administers elections to the Lok Sabha, and Rajya Sabha only.
3. The Election Commission comprises the Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) and additional election commissioners as determined by the President.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) One Only
- (b) Two Only
- (c) All Three
- (d) None

189. Consider the following statements:

1. The Adolescent Reproductive and Sexual Health Programme (ARSH) focuses on reproductive and sexual health in order to influence the health-seeking behavior of adolescents.
2. The long-term goal of The Weekly Iron and Folic Acid Supplementation (WIFS) Programme is to break the intergenerational cycle of anemia.
3. The Scheme for Promotion of Menstrual Hygiene (MHS) was launched by the Ministry of Women and Child Development.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

190. With reference to the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), consider the following statements:

1. The National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), headed by the Home Minister of India, is the apex body for Disaster Management in India

2. NDMA is mandated to lay down the policies, plans, and guidelines for Disaster Management.
3. NDMA has 5 major divisions viz. Policy & Plans, Mitigation, Operations & Communications & Information & Technology, Administration and Finance.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

191. Consider the following statements:

1. Insolvency is a situation where individuals or companies are unable to repay their outstanding debt.
2. Bankruptcy is a legal declaration of one's inability to pay off debts.
3. The Government implemented the IBC, in 2016 to consolidate all laws related to insolvency and bankruptcy and to tackle Non-Performing Assets (NPA).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

192. Regarding the Global Biofuel Alliance, consider the following statements:

1. Under India's G20 presidency, the Global Biofuel Alliance (GBA) was launched by world leaders to expedite the global uptake of biofuels.
2. The GBA aims to strengthen the global biofuels trade for a greener sustainable future.
3. United Nations member countries automatically become members of the alliance.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) One Only
- (b) Two Only
- (c) All Three
- (d) None

193. With reference to the Global Development Initiative (GDI), consider the following statements:

1. The GDI aims to support the timely achievement of all 17 SDGs of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development by revitalizing global development partnerships and promoting stronger, greener, and healthier global development.
2. Prime Minister of India launched this initiative in the United National General Assembly Session.

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

Answers

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



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