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1. Consider the following statements regarding Archaeological Survey of India (ASI):

1. It is an organization under the Ministry of Culture.
2. It was founded in 1861 by Alexander Cunningham.

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

2. Consider the following statements regarding National Monuments Authority (NMA):

1. It has been setup as per provisions of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains AMASR (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2010.
2. It is responsible for the management of the prohibited and regulated area around the centrally protected monuments.
3. It considers grant of permissions to applicants for construction related activity in the prohibited and regulated area.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

3. Consider the following statements regarding the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains AMASR (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2010:

1. No construction or reconstruction or repair or renovation is permitted in the prohibited area.
2. Repair/renovation/construction/reconstruction are considered in the regulated area.
3. All applications for construction related work are submitted to Competent Authorities and then to National Monuments Authority.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

4. Consider the following statements regarding Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG):

1. CAG is a non-constitutional body.
2. He is Appointed by the President of India by a warrant under his hand and seal.

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

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

5. Consider the following statements:

1. Electricity has been enlisted in Union list of the Seventh Schedule.
2. Central Electricity Authority (CEA) is a non-statutory body.
3. CEA formulates National Electricity Plan every five years.
4. Railways has been declared as a deemed distribution licensee under Electricity act, 2003.

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

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

6. Consider the following statements regarding Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985:

1. The act excludes seeds and leaves of Cannabis from its definition of narcotic drug.
2. The government may allow cultivation of any cannabis plant for industrial purposes.
3. It lays out the punishment for the production/manufacture/sale/purchase of cannabis based on the amount of drugs seized.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

7. Consider the following statements regarding Anti-Radiation Pills:

1. These are potassium iodide tablets that offer some protection in cases of radiation exposure.
2. These make the thyroid to absorb the non-radioactive iodine of the medicine making it full leaving no room for absorption of any further iodine.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

8. Consider the following statements regarding the European Organisation for Nuclear Research (CERN):

1. It is the operator of the Large Hadron Collider that found the elusive Higgs boson.
2. India is an associate member of CERN.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

9. Consider the following statements regarding Knowledge Involvement in Research Advancement through Nurturing (KIRAN) Scheme:

1. It is an initiative by the Department of Science and Technology (DST).
2. It provides various career opportunities to scientists and technologists belonging to scheduled castes and scheduled tribes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

10. Consider the following statements regarding Gender Advancement for Transforming Institutions (GATI):

1. It was launched by the Department of Science & Technology (DST).
2. It will develop a comprehensive Charter and a framework for assessing Gender Equality in STEM (Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics).

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

11. Consider the following statements regarding National Statistical Office (NSO):

1. National Statistical Office (NSO) consists of the Central Statistical Office (CSO), the Computer Center and the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO).
2. CSO coordinates the statistical activities in the country and also evolves statistical standards.
3. NSSO is responsible for conduct of large-scale sample surveys in diverse fields on an all-India basis.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

12. Consider the following statements regarding All India Services (Conduct) Rules, 1968:

1. It is the outcome of the Santhanam Committee's recommendation.
2. Ethical code for civil servants in India has also been included under these rules.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

13. Consider the following statements:

1. INS Vikrant (IAC-1) is a part of Atmanirbhar Bharat.
2. INS Vikramaditya is the first aircraft carrier of Indian origin.
3. IAC-1 is the second aircraft carrier to be built in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

14. Consider the following statements regarding Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty (ABMT):

1. It was an arms control treaty between the United States and China.
2. Each party of the treaty was limited to two ABM complexes.
3. United States withdrew from the treaty in 2002 leading to its termination.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

15. Consider the following statements regarding Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty:

1. It was a nuclear arms-control accord reached by the United States and the Soviet Union.
2. As per this treaty, it was agreed to eliminate their stocks of intermediate-range and shorter-range land-based missiles.

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

16. Consider the following statements regarding New START Treaty:

1. It is the only surviving arms control treaty between Russia and the US
2. It is a successor to the START framework of 1991.

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

17. Consider the following statements regarding Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW):

1. It is a legally binding instrument aimed at total elimination of nuclear weapons.
2. India is a member of this treaty.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

18. Consider the following statements regarding Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (CTBT):

1. It bans nuclear explosions by everyone, everywhere.
2. It can enter into force only if 44 specific nuclear technology holder countries sign and ratify.
3. India and US have signed CTBT.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

19. Consider the following statements regarding Computer Emergency Response Team – India (CERT-IN):

1. It is an organisation under Ministry of Defence.
2. It deals with cybersecurity threats like hacking and phishing.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

20. Consider the following statements regarding Electronic Vaccine Intelligence Network (eVIN):

1. It is indigenously developed technology system that digitizes vaccine stocks.
2. It is being implemented by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

21. Consider the following statements regarding Universal Immunisation Programme (UIP):

1. It was introduced as 'Expanded Programme of Immunization (EPI)' by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
2. It prevents mortality and morbidity in children and pregnant women against 12 vaccine-preventable diseases.
3. Mission Indradhanush was implemented to rapidly increase the full immunization coverage.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

22. Consider the following statements regarding Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2019:

1. A transgender person may make an application to the District Magistrate for a certificate of identity.
2. The right of health facilities under this act doesn't include sex reassignment surgeries.
3. It provides for the establishment of a National Council for Transgender persons (NCT).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

23. Consider the following statements:

1. Indian Medical Council (IMC Act) 1956 has been replaced by the National Medical Commission Act, 2019.
2. National Exit Test (NEXT) will not be applicable to All India Institutes of Medical Sciences (AIIMS).

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

24. Consider the following statements regarding India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement:

1. India will benefit from preferential market access provided by Australia on 100% of its tariff lines.
2. India will be offering preferential access to Australia on over 70% of its tariff lines.
3. Indian graduates from STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) will be granted extended post-study work visas.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

25. Consider the following statements regarding Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA):

1. It is a free trade pact that covers negotiation on the trade in services and investment.
2. It doesn't cover negotiation in Intellectual Property Right (IPR).
3. India has signed CEPAs with South Korea, Japan and United Arab Emirates (UAE).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

26. Consider the following statements regarding Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012:

1. It doesn't define non-penetrative sexual assault.
2. The case of child sexual abuse must be disposed of within one year of reporting.
3. It also covers death penalty for sexual crimes against children.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

27. Consider the following statements:

1. A person who is not a passenger with a valid ticket requires an Aerodrome Entry Permit (AEP) to enter an airport in India.
2. The AEP application form is issued by the Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

28. Consider the following statements regarding Sedition Law in India:

1. It is a non-bailable offence.
2. A person charged under this law is barred from a government job.
3. The charged person has to live without his/her passport.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

29. Consider the following statements regarding National Education Policy (NEP), 2020:

1. Universalization of education from preschool to secondary level with 100% Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in school education by 2030.
2. Vocational Education to start from Class 6 with Internships.
3. The minimum degree qualification for teaching will be a 4-year integrated B.Ed. degree by 2030.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

30. Consider the following statements regarding the National Education Commission:

1. It is popularly known as Kothari Commission.
2. Its objective was to formulate the general principles and guidelines for the development of education from primary level to the highest.
3. Medical and legal studies were also included under the purview of this commission

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

31. Consider the following statements regarding Accredited Social Health Activist (ASHA) programme:

1. It is a part of the National Rural Health Mission.
2. Generally, there is 1 ASHA per 1000 population or 1 ASHA per habitation in tribal, hilly and desert areas.

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

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

32. Consider the following statements:

1. Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989 mandated the wearing of seat belts by only the driver and front passengers.
2. Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2019 made non-wearing of seat belts by the driver or passengers punishable.
3. The largest increase in the number of traffic accident cases from 2020 to 2021 was reported in Tamil Nadu.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

33. India is going to establish its first dark sky reserve in which of the following regions?

- (a) Uttarakhand (b) Ladakh
(c) Himachal Pradesh (d) Jammu & Kashmir

34. Consider the following statements regarding Teesta River:

1. It is a tributary of the Brahmaputra flowing through India and Bangladesh.
2. It originates in Himalayas near Sikkim and flows through West Bengal before entering Bangladesh.
3. A Bailey suspension bridge over Teesta river has been opened in Sikkim by Border Roads Organisation (BRO).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

35. Consider the following statements regarding 2+2 Dialogue:

1. It is the highest-level institutional mechanism between the two countries.
2. India had 2+2 dialogues with all its partners in Quad.

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

36. Consider the following statements regarding Consumer Price Index (CPI) and Wholesale Price Index (WPI):

1. WPI tracks inflation at producer level whereas CPI does so at consumer level.
2. WPI captures changes in the prices of services, which CPI doesn't.
3. WPI gives more weightage to manufactured goods and CPI gives more weightage to food items.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

37. Consider the following statements regarding Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) Ranking 2020-21:

1. It is released by Ministry of Finance.
2. It is based on Business Reforms Action Plan (BRAP) report 2020.
3. Andhra Pradesh achieved the first rank in the Ease of Doing Business for 2020-21.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

38. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Findings of National Family Health Survey (NFHS-5)?

1. Bihar and Meghalaya have the highest fertility rates in the country.
2. National average of underage marriages has come down.
3. West Bengal and Bihar are among the states having the highest rate of underage marriages,

Select the correct answer using the following options:

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

39. Consider the following statements regarding National Commission for Women (NCW):

1. It is a non-statutory body.
2. It reviews the constitutional and legal safeguards for women but doesn't facilitate redressal of grievances.

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

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

40. Consider the following statements:

1. Climate Vulnerability Index was launched by India Meteorological Department (IMD).
2. Assam and Andhra Pradesh are among the states that are the most vulnerable to extreme climate events.

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

41. Consider the following statements regarding South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA):
1. It is the free trade arrangement of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC).
 2. India announced duty-free, quota-free access to Bangladesh for all tariff lines including tobacco and alcohol.
- 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
42. Protocol on Inland Waterways Trade and Transit (PIWTT) exists between:
- (a) India and Myanmar (b) India and Bangladesh
(c) India and Sri Lanka (d) India and Nepal
43. Consider the following statements regarding Ganga Water Treaty, 1996:
1. It is a bilateral treaty between India and Bangladesh.
 2. It is a 30-year water-sharing agreement to share surface waters at the Farakka Barrage near the mutual border.
 3. It recognised Bangladesh's rights as a lower-level riparian.
 4. It doesn't permit the construction of barrages and irrigation projects in Kushtia and the Gorai-Madhumati River in Bangladesh.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
44. Consider the following statements regarding Farakka Barrage:
1. It is a dam on the Bhagirathi River of West Bengal.
 2. It was built to divert Ganges River water into the Hooghly River during the dry season.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
45. Consider the following statements:
1. The Kushiya River is a distributary river in Bangladesh and Assam.
 2. Barak separates into the Kushiya and Surma at the India-Bangladesh border.
- 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
46. Consider the following statements:
1. India and Bangladesh share 54 transboundary rivers.
 2. Joint Rivers Commission of India and Bangladesh was constituted in the year 2014.
- 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
47. Stagflation is characterized by which of the following?
1. Slow growth rate
 2. Increase in prices
 3. Higher public spending
 4. High Interest rates
 5. High GDP
 6. High Unemployment
- Select the correct answer using the following options:
- (a) 1, 2, 3 and 5 only (b) 2, 3, 4 and 5 only
(c) 1, 2, 3 and 6 only (d) 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 only
48. Consider the following statements regarding Keynesian Principles:
1. Fluctuations in aggregate demand leads to changes in real output, employment and prices.
 2. Economic output changes by the multiplier effect.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
49. Consider the following statements regarding PM Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI Schools):
1. This scheme will be fully funded by the central government.
 2. Only central government school can be an upgraded under PM SHRI school.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
50. Consider the following statements regarding iNCOVACC:
1. It is the country's first intra-nasal vaccine for primary inoculation.
 2. It has been manufactured by Bharat-Biotech.
 3. It targets the immune cells in the thin mucous membranes that line cavities in the nose.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
51. Consider the following statements:
1. Article 351 gives power to the union government to issue a directive for development of the Hindi language.
 2. Eighth Schedule contains a list of 22 languages recognised schedule languages.
 3. Three-Language Formula was given by Kothari Commission.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
52. Maitri Setu in Tripura has been built over which River?
- (a) Kushiya (b) Bhagirathi
(c) Teesta (d) Feni

53. Consider the following statements regarding Central Vista Redevelopment Project:
1. It was proposed by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
 2. Under this project, India's central administrative area located near Raisina Hill, New Delhi is being revamped.
 3. The project doesn't include the north and south block of the central administrative area.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
54. Consider the following statements regarding Kartavya Path:
1. Rajpath, stretching from Rashtrapati Bhavan to India Gate has been renamed Kartavya Path.
 2. It only includes the erstwhile Rajpath but not the Central Vista lawns.
 3. A granite statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose will also be installed under the Grand Canopy at India Gate.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 1 and 2 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
55. Consider the following statements regarding Morning Star-50:
1. It is a fully solar-powered unmanned aerial vehicle.
 2. It has been developed by India.
- Which of the statements given above is/are **not** correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
56. Consider the following statements regarding Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS):
1. It was rolled out as a part of Aatmanirbhar package in response to Covid-19.
 2. A 100% guarantee is provided by the National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company (NCGTC) to Member Lending Institutions (MLIs).
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
57. Which of the following are the contributing factors towards the Recent Floods in Pakistan?
1. Extremely Wet Monsoon
 2. Extreme Heat
 3. Stronger El Nino
 4. Weaker La Nina
 5. Himalaya Glacier Melting
- Select the correct answer using the following options:
- (a) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
(b) 3 and 4 only
(c) 1, 2 and 5 only
(d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
58. Which of the following are the potential causes for Urban Flooding in India?
1. Climate Change.
 2. Unplanned Tourism
 3. Illegal Mining
 4. Encroachments on Drainage Channels
 5. Uninformed Release of Water from Dams
- Select the correct answer using the following codes:
- (a) 1, 3, 4 and 5 only (b) 1, 4 and 5 only
(c) 1, 2, 4 and 5 only (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
59. Arkavathy River of Karnataka, mentioned in news, is a tributary of the river:
- (a) Krishna (b) Cauvery
(c) Godavari (d) Pennar
60. Consider the following statements regarding Consumer Price Index (CPI):
1. It measures price changes from the perspective of a retail buyer.
 2. It is released by the National Statistical Office (NSO).
 3. Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) uses CPI data to control inflation.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
61. Consider the following statements:
1. Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Act, 2019 made triple talaq a criminal offence.
 2. All Islamic countries permit the practice of triple talaq and don't consider it as a criminal offence.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
62. Consider the following statements regarding the Criminal Law (Amendment) Act, 2013:
1. It was passed in the aftermath of the Nirbhaya (Delhi gang-rape) case.
 2. The definition of rape was broadened to include acts in addition to penetration.
 3. The definition of trafficking was incorporated as per the UN Trafficking Protocol.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
63. Ni-kshay Poshan Yojana has been initiated under the aegis of which programme?
- (a) National Leprosy Eradication Programme
(b) National Vector Borne Diseases Control Programme
(c) National TB Elimination Programme
(d) National Rabies Control Programme

64. Consider the following statements regarding Queen Elizabeth II:

1. She was crowned at Westminster Abbey in 1948.
2. She is the second-longest-reigning monarch in world history.

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

65. Consider the following statements regarding the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), 1967:

1. It can designate individuals as terrorists on certain grounds like POTA (Prevention of Terrorism Act) and TADA (Terrorist and Disruptive Activities (Prevention) Act).
2. Section 43(D)(5) prevents the release of any accused person on bail.
3. It empowers the National Investigation Agency (NIA) to investigate the cases.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

66. Consider the following statements regarding the exercise MILAN:

1. It is multilateral naval exercise organized by Indian Navy.
2. Quad nations didn't participate in MILAN 2022.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

67. Consider the following pairs:

India-Japan Exercise Type

1. JIMEX Naval
2. DHARMA Guardian Air Force
3. SHINYUU Maitri Military

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

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

68. Consider the following statements:

1. Line of Actual Control separates Indian-controlled territory from Chinese-controlled territory and is agreed upon by both the nations.
2. Line of Control was designated following the Shimla Agreement between India and Pakistan.

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

69. Which of the following are among the potential causes for the restrictions imposed on Rice Export?

1. Global recession and geopolitical crisis
2. Loss in Yield
3. Depletion of Public Stocks
4. Paddy Dwarfing

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

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

70. Which of the following communities are provided citizenship under the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) 2019?

1. Hindus
2. Sikhs
3. Buddhists
4. Jains
5. Parsis
6. Christians

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

- (a) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 only (d) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

71. Consider the following statements regarding the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC):

1. It is a non-statutory body.
2. It determines the policy rate required to achieve the inflation target.
3. Governor of Reserve Bank of India is ex-officio Chairman of the MPC.

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

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

72. Consider the following statements regarding the International Solar Alliance (ISA):

1. All United Nations member states are eligible to join ISA.
2. Observer Status to the ISA has been granted by the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

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. Recently, Varanasi has been declared as Cultural and Tourism Capital for 2022-23 of which of the following grouping/organisation?

- (a) Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)
(b) Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (BRICS)
(c) Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC)
(d) Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)

74. Consider the following statements regarding the Places of Worship (Special Provisions) Act, 1991:

1. It bans the conversion of a place of worship or even a section of it into a place of worship of a different religious denomination.
2. The disputed site at Ayodhya is exempted from this Act.
3. It also applies to the place of worship covered by the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

75. Consider the following statements:

1. Russia is the world's third largest oil producer after Saudi Arabia.
2. Russia is the world's second largest exporter of crude and oil products.

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

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

76. Consider the following statements regarding the 10% reservation quota provided for the Economically Weaker Section (EWS):

1. It was introduced under the 103rd Constitution (Amendment) Act, 2019 by amending Articles 15 and 16.
2. Both the Centre and the States can provide reservation to the EWS of society.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

77. Consider the following statements regarding Rebate of State and Central Levies and Taxes (RoSCTL):

1. It was introduced by the Ministry of Finance.
2. RoSCTL scrips cannot be used for special Customs duties, cesses, and surcharges.
3. It covers both State and Central levies.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

78. Which of the following countries were involved in the negotiations for Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) of 2015?

1. Iran
2. Saudi Arabia
3. China
4. Russia
5. France
6. United Kingdom
7. United States

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

- (a) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 only
(b) 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 only
(c) 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 only
(d) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7

79. Consider the following statements regarding the Patents Act, 1970:

1. The provisions related to Exclusive Marketing Rights (EMRs) stand repealed.
2. It has provision related to pre-grant and post-grant opposition.
3. It allows for the evergreening of patents.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

80. Which of the following are the Major Ports of India?

1. Kolkata
2. Chennai
3. Kannur
4. Paradip
5. Cochin
6. Thalassery
7. Deendayal

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

- (a) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 only (b) 1, 2, 4 and 5 only
(c) 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7 only (d) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7

81. Consider the following statements regarding Human Development Report (HDR):

1. It is published by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).
2. India ranked 132 on the Human Development Index (HDI) 2022 that forms a part of HDR.
3. Besides HDI, HDR also releases other indices including the Global Hunger Index (GHI).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

82. Consider the following statements regarding the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF):

1. It was launched at the Quad Summit of 2022 by the US and other partner countries of the Indo-Pacific region.
2. Besides Quad, ASEAN countries are also a part of this agreement.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

83. Which of the following are among the potential applications of CRISPR-associated protein 9?

1. Development of Herbicide Resistant-Crops
2. Domestication of Wild species
3. Rapid Diagnostics
4. Drug Screening
5. Therapeutic Cloning
6. Genome-editing Disease Treatment

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

- (a) 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 only (b) 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 only
(c) 1, 4, 5 and 6 only (d) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

84. Consider the following statements regarding Transgender Persons in India:

1. No medical or physical examination for procedures for issue of certificate of identity/change of gender will be carried out.
2. The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment is the nodal ministry for the welfare of transgender persons.
3. SMILE scheme and Garima Greh scholarships have been started by the government as social measures for transgender community.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

85. Where is the Gogra Hotspring region, sometimes seen in news, located?

- (a) Eastern Ladakh (b) Western Ladakh
(c) Southern Ladakh (d) Northern Ladakh

86. Consider the following statements regarding UN World Water Development Report 2022:

1. Groundwater provides almost half of the total water used for domestic purposes including drinking water.
2. Asia-Pacific region is the largest groundwater abstractor in the world.
3. India is one of those countries of Asia-Pacific region that extract most groundwater.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

87. Consider the following statements regarding UN World Population Ageing Report:

1. India's ageing population (60 years and above) is projected to increase from 8% to 20% by 2050.
2. People aged 80 years and above will become the fastest growing age group in India by 2050.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

88. Consider the following statements regarding the National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP):

1. It is administered by the Ministry of Rural Development.
2. The programme is being implemented in rural areas only.
3. The eligibility for NSAP is restricted to "below poverty line" (BPL) families.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

89. Consider the following statements regarding Inflation:

1. A moderate level of inflation indicates the promotion of production.
2. In India, Wholesale Price Index (WPI) & Consumer Price Index (CPI) are primarily used to measure inflation.

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

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

90. Consider the following statements:

1. The Income Tax Act, 1961 explicitly allows deductions for payments to doctors.
2. The tax deducted at source (TDS) is applicable for all payments made to doctors.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

91. Dolo-650, mentioned in the news, is an:

- (a) Antipyretic drug
(b) Analgesic drug
(c) Both A and B
(d) None of the above

92. Consider the following statements regarding National Health Accounts Estimates 2018-19:

1. The proportion of the total health expenditure in the country has increased.
2. The overall expenditure on health has also seen a sharp rise.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

93. Consider the following statements regarding the Codes of Wages Act, 2019:

1. All employees including those working on daily/weekly/monthly basis should get the salary by the last working day of the month.
2. The minimum wages decided by the central or state governments must be higher than the floor wage.

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

94. Consider the following statements:

1. Competition Commission of India (CCI) is a statutory body.
2. Competition Appellate Tribunal (COMPAT) was replaced by the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT).

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

95. Consider the following statements regarding Department Related Standing Committees (DRSCs):

1. There are 24 DRSCs of which 8 work under Rajya Sabha and 16 under Lok Sabha.
2. Each standing committee consists of 31 members (21 from Lok Sabha and 10 from Rajya Sabha).
3. The term of office of each standing committee is three years from the date of its constitution.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

96. Consider the following statements regarding E-mobility Grand Challenge:
1. It is an initiative led by the Convergence Energy Services Limited (CESL).
 2. It was launched under the e-Sawaari: India Electric Bus Coalition.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are **not** correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
97. Consider the following statements regarding Semiconductors:
1. These can be pure elements or compounds.
 2. They are formed due to ionic bonding and have resistance higher than conductors.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
98. Consider the following statements regarding GIFT (Gujarat International Finance Tec-City):
1. It is situated in Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
 2. Its Special Economic Zone (SEZ) houses India's first International Financial Services Centre (IFSC).
 3. India International Bullion Exchange (IIBX) in GIFT-IFSC is India's first International Bullion Exchange.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
99. Consider the following statements regarding Abraham Accords:
1. It is the deal between Israel, the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Iran mediated by the US.
 2. It opens the door for Muslims around the world to visit the historic sites in Israel.
 3. It allows Muslims to peacefully pray at Al-Aqsa Mosque in Jerusalem.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
100. Consider the following statements regarding the 12U2 Initiative:
1. It was previously referred to as 'International forum for Economic Cooperation'.
 2. It is a grouping of Iran, Israel, United Arab Emirates (UAE) and US.
- 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
101. African Cheetah Translocation, mentioned sometimes in news, is related to which of the following?
- (a) Bandhavgarh National Park
(b) Ranthambore National Park
(c) Jim Corbett National Park
(d) Kuno-Palpur National Park
102. Consider the following statements regarding PM Poshan Shakti Nirman:
1. It covers students enrolled in government schools from Class 1 to 8
 2. The nodal ministry for this scheme is Ministry of Women and Child Development.
 3. It is a legal entitlement of all school-going children in primary and upper primary classes, through the National Food Security Act (NFSA), 2013.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
103. Consider the following statements regarding the findings of World Population Prospects 2022:
1. Developed countries are among the world's fastest growing countries.
 2. A sustained drop in fertility has led to an increased concentration of the population at working ages.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
104. Consider the following statements regarding Human Development Report 2021-22:
1. The theme for 2021-22 is Uncertain Times, Unsettled Lives: Shaping our Future in a World in Transformation.
 2. Human Development Index doesn't take the Gross National Income (GNI) into account.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
105. Consider the following statements regarding Babasaheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar:
1. He was the Chairman of the Drafting Committee for the new Constitution.
 2. He didn't participate in the three Round Table Conferences.
 3. His ideas before the Hilton Young Commission served as the foundation of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1 and 3 only

106. Consider the following statements:

1. National archives of India is not a part of Central Vista of New Delhi.
2. The announcement for the shift of capital of India from Calcutta to Delhi was made in Delhi Durbar of 1911.

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

107. Which of the following measures can be adopted by farmers to promote Agritourism?

1. Publicity through newspapers and television.
2. Developing contacts with schools, colleges and clubs.
3. Hiking the rent and charges.
4. Development of agri-tour packages.
5. Development of a website.

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

- (a) 1, 3, 4 and 5 only (b) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 1, 2, 4 and 5 only (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

108. Consider the following statements regarding Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit 2022:

1. Samarkand declaration was signed by the member states.
2. The member countries are planning to form a unified list of terrorists, separatist and extremist organizations.
3. India urged SCO to mark 2023 as the International Year of Pulses.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

109. Consider the following statements regarding Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP):

1. It is a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) of which India is a member.
2. It removes 99% of tariffs on goods and services.
3. The members CPTPP agree to cut down on wildlife trafficking.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

110. Consider the following statements:

1. Global Wage Report suggested that Covid-19 led to the widening of gender pay gap.
2. Maternity Benefit Amendment Act 2017 provides for 12-26 week maternity leave with pay protection to women working in establishments with 100 or more employees in India.
3. Equal Pay International Coalition (EPIC) was launched in support of the UN Sustainable Development Goal 8.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

111. Consider the following statements regarding Financial Action Task Force (FATF):

1. It was established by a G-7 Summit in Paris.
2. India has been a member of the FATF since 2010.
3. Pakistan has been on the FATF grey list continuously since 2018.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

112. Consider the following statements:

1. Undertrial population accounts for over 70% of prison population as per the the National Crime Records Bureau's (NCRB) Prison Statistics of 2021.
2. India's National Mental Health Policy, 2014 considers prisoners a class of people vulnerable to mental ill-health.

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

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

113. Consider the following statements regarding 'India's National Wildlife Action Plan (2017-2031)':

1. It includes people's participation in wildlife conservation.
2. It provides for setting up of 'e-eye surveillance' in highly sensitive Tiger Reserves and Protected Areas.
3. It provides for the use of Drone technology for airborne monitoring and better protection of wildlife.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

114. Which of the following are the tributaries of the River Cauvery?

1. Arkavathi 2. Hemavathi
3. Kabini 4. Tungabhadra
5. Ghataprabha 6. Harangi

Select the correct answer using the following codes:

- (a) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 only
(b) 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 only
(c) 1, 2, 3 and 6 only
(d) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

115. Consider the following statements regarding National List of Essential Medicines (NLEM):

1. The medicines listed in NLEM are sold below the price ceiling fixed by the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA).
2. It was framed on the lines of the Essential Medicines List (EML) released by the World Health Organisation (WHO).

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

116. Consider the following statements regarding Essential Religious Practices:

1. What religious practices can be constitutionally protected and what can be ignored, can be determined by the judiciary.
2. The essential religious practices test can't be applied to individual freedoms.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

117. Consider the following statements regarding Chief Justice of India (CJI):

1. The recommendation for successor is made by the outgoing CJI.
2. The number of judges that will hear a case is decided by the CJI
3. Office of CJI comes under the purview of the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

118. Consider the following statements regarding the World Food Programme (WFP):

1. It was founded by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).
2. India signed an agreement with WFP for the distribution of 50,000 MT of wheat to send it to Afghanistan as humanitarian assistance.

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

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

119. Consider the following statements regarding the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC):

1. It is an autonomous body under the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT).
2. It assesses and certifies schools with gradings as part of accreditation.
3. If an institution is graded D, it means it is not accredited.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

120. Consider the following statements regarding the Market Based Economic Dispatch (MBED):

1. It proposes a centralised scheduling of power dispatches at the inter-state level only.
2. It is in line with the Centre's 'One Nation, One Grid, One Frequency, One Price' formula.

Which of the following 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:

1. Kerala land reforms legislation was challenged under Article 26 in the Kesavananda Bharati case.
2. Any provision of the Indian Constitution can be amended by the Parliament provided that such amendment did not change the Constitution's basic structure.

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

122. Consider the following statements regarding Nagas:

1. Naga groups reside in Nagaland, Manipur, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam and Burma.
2. They belong to Indo-Mongoloid Family.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

123. Consider the following statements regarding National Education Policy (NEP), 2020:

1. The current 10+2 system will be replaced by a new 5+3+3+4 curricular structure.
2. The students of class 10 and 12 will be allowed to take the exam twice.
3. Vocational Education will start from Class 9 with Internships.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

124. Consider the following statements regarding El Nino-Southern Oscillation (ENSO) cycle:

1. La Nina occurs less frequently than El Nino.
2. La Nina may last longer as compared to El Nino.
3. El Nino and La Nina peak during the Southern Hemisphere winter.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

125. Consider the following statements:

1. The 2015 Law Commission Report on Death Penalty recommended abolition of death sentence including for terror-related cases.
2. No country has either in law or practice abolished the death sentence.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

126. Consider the following statements:

1. The Government of India has declared five religions namely, Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists and Jain as religious minorities in India.
2. The term 'minority' has not been defined in the Indian Constitution.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

127. Consider the following statements regarding Cheetah:

1. African Cheetah is 'critically endangered' species as per the IUCN Red List.
2. Wildlife Institute of India prepared world's first inter-continental cheetah translocation project.
3. National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) decided to bring African Cheetah from Namibia.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

128. Consider the following statements regarding Preamble of the Indian Constitution:

1. Preamble can be amended under Article 368 of the Constitution provided that the basic structure of preamble remains unaltered.
2. It has been amended only once, so far.
3. The terms 'Socialist' and 'Secular' and 'Integrity' were added through the 42nd Amendment Act, 1976.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

129. Consider the following statements regarding Fire Services:

1. Fire Services is a subject enlisted in the Concurrent List.
2. It is included in the 12th Schedule of the Indian Constitution.
3. National Building Code (NBC) of India, 2016 includes 'Fire and Life Safety'.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

130. Consider the following statements:

1. Live-streaming of court proceedings are part of the right to access justice under Article 21.
2. Gujarat High Court was the first high court to livestream court proceedings.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

131. Consider the following statements regarding the Swadesh Darshan Scheme:

1. The funding for the scheme is shared between the centre and the states.
2. Under the scheme, 15 theme-based tourism circuits have been identified.
3. Ambedkar Circuit, or Panchteerth was proposed under this scheme.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

132. Consider the following statements:

1. The death penalty was the rule and life imprisonment an exception in India prior to the amendment of 1955.
2. The courts are required to state reasons in writing for awarding the maximum penalty.
3. No death sentence imposed by a trial court can be executed unless the punishment is confirmed by the High Court.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

133. Consider the following statements regarding Motor Vehicles Amendment Act, 2019:

1. It provides compulsory insurance cover to all road users in India for certain types of accidents.
2. It provides for the creation of a National Road Safety Board.

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

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

134. Consider the following statements regarding the Election Commission of India:

1. It is an autonomous constitutional authority.
2. Part XIV of the Indian constitution deals with elections and establishes a commission for the same.
3. The commission consists of one Chief Election Commissioner and two Election Commissioners.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

135. Consider the following statements:

1. Article 38 provides that the state shall endeavor to prohibit cow slaughter.
2. Rashtriya Gokul Mission works for the development and conservation of indigenous cattle breeds.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

136. Consider the following statements regarding the UN Human Rights Council:
1. It was created by the United Nations General Assembly.
 2. The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) serves as the Secretariat of the Council.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are **not** correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
137. Consider the following statements regarding Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI):
1. It is a non-statutory body.
 2. The Chairperson and other members of TRAI are appointed by the central government.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
138. Consider the following statements:
1. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) replaced the Controller of Capital Issues.
 2. SEBI is an autonomous body and derives its statutory powers from SEBI Act, 1992.
 3. As per the new account settlement system of SEBI, trading members are mandated to settle the accounts on a monthly or quarterly basis.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3
139. Consider the following statements regarding National Logistics Policy (NLP) 2022:
1. Under this policy, a Unified Logistics Interface Platform will be created to help Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in particular.
 2. E-LogS dashboard will be introduced under NLP 2022 to facilitate the documentation process.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
140. Consider the following statements regarding Rabies:
1. It is caused by a Ribonucleic Acid (RNA) virus present in the saliva of a rabid animal.
 2. It can even cause cardio-respiratory failure ultimately leading to death.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
141. Which of the following constitute the potential reasons for Depreciation of Indian Rupee?
1. Decrease in US Federal Bank interest rates
 2. Russia-Ukraine Conflict
 3. China's economic growth concerns due to Covid-19
 4. High crude prices
 5. Correction in equity markets
 6. Tightening of RBI's monetary policy
- Select the correct answer using the following codes:
- (a) 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 only
(b) 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 only
(c) 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6 only
(d) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6
142. Consider the following statements regarding the Ease of Living Index (EoLI) 2020:
1. It was released by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
 2. In the Million+ category, Bengaluru ranked the highest.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
143. Consider the following statements regarding Carbon Dating:
1. It makes use of radioactive C-14 to establish the age of organic material.
 2. This technique is widely used for determining the age of rocks.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are **not** correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
144. Consider the following statements regarding Liquidity Adjustment Facility (LAF):
1. It is a tool used in Reserve Bank of India's monetary policy.
 2. It allows banks to borrow money through repurchase agreements.
 3. It doesn't provide for the banks to make loans to the RBI through reverse repo agreements.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
145. Which of the following correctly describes the phenomenon of Moonlighting?
- (a) Brightening of the night sky over urban inhabited areas.
 - (b) Prevalence of short-term contracts or freelance work.
 - (c) Situation where multiple individuals, acting independently, deplete a shared resource.
 - (d) Practice of taking up secondary jobs after regular work hours.

146. Consider the following statements regarding the United Nations General Assembly:
1. It is the only UN body with universal representation.
 2. The theme for the 77th Session of the UNGA (held in 2022) is- A watershed moment: transformative solutions to interlocking challenges.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
147. Consider the following statements regarding SVAMITVA Scheme:
1. The nodal ministry for this scheme is the Ministry of Rural Development.
 2. It is a central sector scheme aimed at providing an integrated property validation solution for rural India.
 3. Under this scheme, the demarcation of rural inhabited areas would be done using Drone survey and CORS (Continuously Operating Reference Stations) Networks.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3
148. Consider the following statements:
1. The policy rate required to achieve the inflation target is determined by the Monetary Policy Committee.
 2. Under the RBI Act 1934, the Centre has fixed the CPI inflation target at 4% with an "upper tolerance limit" of 6%.
 3. Inflation, being more than the upper tolerance level of the target for any three consecutive years is accounted as a failure.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3
149. Consider the following statements regarding Front of Package Labelling (FOPL):
1. It was first recommended by expert committee constituted by the Food Safety Standards Authority of India (FSSAI).
 2. It is one of the global best practices to nudge consumers into healthy food choices.
- Which of the statements given above is/are **not** correct?
- (a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
150. Consider the following statements regarding Criminal Procedure (Identification) Act, 2022:
1. It replaced the Identification of Prisoners Act, 1920.
 2. It provides Legal sanction to the police to take physical and biological samples of convicts as well as those accused of crimes.
 3. The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) can store the records up to 75 years.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3
151. Logistics Performance Index (LPI) is released by which of the following organisations?
- (a) World Economic Forum
(b) World Bank Group
(c) World Trade Organisation
(d) European Economic Community
152. Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat is an initiative of which of the following ministries?
- (a) Ministry of Education
(b) Ministry of Tourism
(c) Ministry of Culture
(d) Ministry of Home Affairs
153. Dharamshala Declaration, mentioned sometime in news, is related to which of the following?
- (a) Environmental Performance of Coal-based Stations
(b) Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) for Afforestation
(c) Sustainable and Responsible Tourism
(d) Clean Development Mechanism (CDM)
154. Consider the following statements regarding Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF):
1. It aims to strengthen economic partnership among participating countries.
 2. It has 4 pillars: Supply-chain resilience, Clean energy, decarbonisation & infrastructure, Taxation & anti-corruption and Fair & resilient trade.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
155. Consider the following statements regarding Moonlighting:
1. It refers to practice of taking up secondary jobs after regular work hours.
 2. It is illegal as well as unethical in India.
 3. It may lead to increase in operating expenses of the primary employer.
- Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3

156. Consider the following statements:

1. Depreciation in rupee gives a boost to India's exports.
2. A weaker currency will further escalate imported edible oil prices.

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

157. Consider the following statements:

1. OTT communication services are categorized under telecom services.
2. OTT platforms need a license to offer the service.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

158. Consider the following statements regarding Information Technology (IT) Rules, 2021:

1. IT Rules 2021 provide for establishing a grievance redressal mechanism.
2. The complaints of the users must be disposed of within 6 months.
3. The users must be educated about not circulating copyrighted material.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

159. Consider the following statements regarding United Nations Security Council (UNSC):

1. The permanent members of the council are elected for five-year term.
2. The ten non-permanent members are elected for one-year term.
3. The council's presidency rotates every month among its five permanent members.

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

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

160. Seti River, mentioned sometime in news, is located in which of the following countries?

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| (a) Nepal | (b) Bangladesh |
| (c) India | (d) China |

161. Consider the following statements regarding National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF):

1. It is India's own ranking system for Indian Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) developed on the line of Shanghai Rankings.
2. Overall, IIT-Madras, IISc-Bangalore, and IIT-Bombay are country's top three higher education institutions as per NIRF, 2022.
3. Among engineering institutions, IIT-Bombay remained number one.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

162. Consider the following statements regarding Indian Railways:

1. It is the largest government undertaking in the country.
2. Indian Railways has four UNESCO accorded World Heritage Sites namely Darjeeling Himalayan Railway, Nilgiri Mountain Railway, Kalka Shimla Railway and Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus, Mumbai.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

163. Consider the following statements:

1. Entry into forests is governed by The Indian Forest Act, 1927, and The Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.
2. Everyone other than people who live in villages inside reserve forests, needs permission from the divisional forest officer for entry into forests.
3. National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) is empowered to set rules for tiger reserves.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

164. Consider the following statements regarding Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART):

1. It is a low-cost spacecraft launched by the European Space Agency.
2. It is world's first planetary defense technology demonstration.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

165. Consider the following statements regarding the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO):

1. NATO's protection extends to members' civil wars or internal coups.
2. It participates in three alliances- Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council (EAPC), Mediterranean Dialogue and Istanbul Cooperation Initiative (ICI).

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

166. Consider the following statements regarding BIMSTEC:

1. It is a platform for intra-regional cooperation between SAARC and ASEAN members.
2. It allows India to counter China's influence around Bay of Bengal due to Belt and Road Initiative.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

167. Consider the following statements regarding the International Court of Justice (ICJ):

1. It was established by the United Nations (UN) charter.
2. It is the only one not located in New York, unlike the six principal organs of the UN.
3. The court is composed of 15 judges elected by the United Nations General Assembly and the Security Council.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

168. Consider the following statements regarding Group of 77 (G77):

1. It is the largest intergovernmental organization of developing countries in the United Nations.
2. The South Summit is the supreme decision-making body of the G77.
3. India is not a member of G77

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

169. Consider the following statements regarding Computer Emergency Response Team -India (CERT-IN):

1. It is a nodal agency which deals with cybersecurity threats like hacking and phishing.
2. It doesn't provide Security Quality Management Services.
3. It provides Incident Prevention and Response Services.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

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

1. Centre's notification regarding the declaration of an organization as "unlawful" shall have effect only if the UAPA tribunal confirms the same.
2. The tribunal consists of only one person, who has to be a High Court judge.
3. The tribunal has the power to regulate its own procedure.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

171. Consider the following statements regarding Chief of Defence Staff (CDS):

1. He heads the Department of Military Affairs (DMA) in the Ministry of Defence.
2. He enjoys command authority on all tri-services (Army, Navy and Indian Air Force).
3. He performs an advisory role in the Nuclear Command Authority (NCA).

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

172. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY):

1. It is the world's largest health insurance/ assurance scheme fully financed by the government.
2. It provides a cover of Rs. 5 lakhs per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization across public and private empanelled hospitals in India.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

173. Consider the following statements regarding Abortion Law in India:

1. Unmarried and single women have right to safe and legal abortion up to 24 weeks.
2. Married women are also included under the ambit of "survivors of sexual assault or rape or incest" who are eligible to terminate pregnancies between 20 and 24 weeks.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

174. Which of the following is the nodal ministry of the PMKGY (Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana)?
- Ministry of Finance
 - Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
 - Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
 - Ministry of Food Processing Industries

175. Consider the following statements regarding International Mobile Equipment Identity (IMEI):

- It is a unique number to identify GSM, WCDMA, and iDEN mobile phones but not the satellite phones.
- Every phone has a single IMEI number, but there are two IMEI numbers in the case of dual SIM phones.
- The number can be used to verify the authenticity of the phone.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

176. Consider the following statements:

- Bharat New Car Assessment Programme (NCAP) is a new car safety assessment program which proposes a mechanism of awarding 'Star Ratings' to automobiles.
- US was the first country to introduce a programme for testing the safety standards of a car.

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

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

177. Consider the following statements regarding Sunderbans:

- It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site located in West Bengal.
- It has been recognised as 'Wetland of International Importance' under the Ramsar Convention.
- It is the only mangrove forest in the world inhabited by tigers.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

Answers

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| 11. (d) | 12. (a) | 13. (a) | 14. (b) | 15. (c) | 16. (d) | 17. (a) | 18. (a) | 19. (b) | 20. (c) |
| 21. (d) | 22. (c) | 23. (b) | 24. (d) | 25. (c) | 26. (b) | 27. (c) | 28. (d) | 29. (d) | 30. (a) |
| 31. (d) | 32. (b) | 33. (b) | 34. (d) | 35. (d) | 36. (c) | 37. (b) | 38. (d) | 39. (c) | 40. (c) |
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| 51. (d) | 52. (d) | 53. (a) | 54. (c) | 55. (b) | 56. (c) | 57. (c) | 58. (d) | 59. (b) | 60. (d) |
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| 71. (a) | 72. (c) | 73. (d) | 74. (a) | 75. (b) | 76. (c) | 77. (b) | 78. (b) | 79. (a) | 80. (c) |
| 81. (a) | 82. (c) | 83. (d) | 84. (d) | 85. (a) | 86. (d) | 87. (c) | 88. (d) | 89. (d) | 90. (b) |
| 91. (c) | 92. (a) | 93. (b) | 94. (c) | 95. (a) | 96. (d) | 97. (a) | 98. (c) | 99. (b) | 100. (a) |
| 101. (d) | 102. (c) | 103. (b) | 104. (a) | 105. (d) | 106. (a) | 107. (c) | 108. (a) | 109. (c) | 110. (c) |
| 111. (d) | 112. (d) | 113. (d) | 114. (c) | 115. (a) | 116. (a) | 117. (d) | 118. (a) | 119. (c) | 120. (b) |
| 121. (c) | 122. (c) | 123. (a) | 124. (a) | 125. (d) | 126. (b) | 127. (b) | 128. (d) | 129. (b) | 130. (c) |
| 131. (b) | 132. (d) | 133. (d) | 134. (c) | 135. (b) | 136. (d) | 137. (b) | 138. (d) | 139. (c) | 140. (c) |
| 141. (b) | 142. (c) | 143. (b) | 144. (a) | 145. (d) | 146. (c) | 147. (b) | 148. (a) | 149. (d) | 150. (d) |
| 151. (b) | 152. (a) | 153. (c) | 154. (c) | 155. (c) | 156. (d) | 157. (a) | 158. (c) | 159. (d) | 160. (a) |
| 161. (a) | 162. (c) | 163. (d) | 164. (b) | 165. (b) | 166. (c) | 167. (d) | 168. (a) | 169. (c) | 170. (d) |
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