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1. Which of the following was a naval exercise announced by India at the Shangri La Dialogue, 2018?
  - (a) SIAM BHARAT
  - (b) SIMBEX
  - (c) Bold Kuruksheetra
  - (d) SITMEX
  
2. Which of the following best describes Cerberus?
  - (a) It is a banking trojan
  - (b) It is a Denial of Service (DoS) attack
  - (c) It is an eavesdropping (Man-in-the-middle (MitM)) attack
  - (d) It is a Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) software attack
  
3. With reference to Cryptocurrencies, consider the following statements:
  1. Fast and Cheap Transactions
  2. Investment Destination
  3. Anti-Inflationary Currency
 Which of the above statements can be termed as benefits of cryptocurrency?
  - (a) 1 and 3 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) 2 and 3 only
  - (d) 1, 2 and 3
  
4. Lamkhaga Pass Trek was recently in the news, it lies in the state of -
  - (a) Sikkim
  - (b) Arunachal Pradesh
  - (c) Uttarakhand
  - (d) Ladakh
  
5. Consider the following statements:
  1. It advocated the 'Nirguna' form of bhakti.
  2. It lays down rules for congregational worship.
  3. It's hymns are called 'Gurbani'.
 The above statements most appropriately are related to which of the following religions.
  - (a) Sikhism
  - (b) Kabir's Philosophy
  - (c) Judaism
  - (d) Sufism
  
6. Consider the following statements:
  1. SafaiMitra Suraksha Challenge (SSC) is a week-long awareness campaign launched as part of the 'World Toilet Day' celebrations.
  2. It was launched by the Ministry of Rural Development.
 Which of the above statements are correct?
  - (a) 1 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) Both 1 and 2
  - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
  
7. Consider the following statements:
  1. The Collegium System was introduced in the Third Judges Case (1998).
  2. The government plays no role regarding the appointment of judges in a High Court Collegium.
 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. With reference to Pochampally, consider the following statements:
  1. It is referred to as the silk city of India.
  2. Ikat, a unique style of weaving sarees in this village, has received the GI status.
  3. The United Nations World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO) has selected it as one of the best tourism villages.
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
  - (a) 1 and 2 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) 1 only
  - (d) 1, 2 and 3
  
9. With reference to Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG), consider the following statements:
  1. His tenure is for a period of six years or up to the age of 65 years.
  2. He audits financial accounts of both the levels—the Centre and the state.
  3. He can be removed by the President on the same grounds and in the same manner as a judge of the Supreme Court.
 Which of the above statements can be correct?
  - (a) 1 and 3 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) 2 and 3 only
  - (d) 1, 2 and 3 only
  
10. Build Back Better World (B3W) has been recently in the news. Which of the following statements most appropriately describes it.
  - (a) UN-Habitat Initiative for sustainable Urbanisation.
  - (b) Russia development project in Central Asia.
  - (c) Normalisation between Israel and Gulf Countries.
  - (d) Development Project of G7 countries.
  
11. The National Generic Document Registration System (NGDRS) portal is launched by which of the following:
  - (a) Ministry of Rural Development
  - (b) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
  - (c) Ministry of Labour & Employment
  - (d) Ministry of New & Renewable Energy
  
12. Consider the following statements:
  1. The Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS) is a voluntary and inclusive initiative that brings together navies of Indian Ocean Region (IOR) littoral states to increase maritime co-operation and enhance regional security.
  2. In 2021 India held the chairmanship of Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS) for the first time.
 Which of the above statements are correct?
  - (a) 1 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) Both 1 and 2
  - (d) Neither 1 nor 2

13. Consider the following statements:

1. Indus River Dolphin is the national aquatic animal of India.
2. It is found only in the Indus River.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

14. Bribery Risk Matrix 2021 has been in the news. It is being released by which of the following institutions?

- (a) World Justice Project  
(b) TRACE  
(c) United Nations Convention against Corruption  
(d) World Economic Forum.

15. With reference to the Swadeshi Science Movement, consider the following statements:

1. It was started during the Swadeshi movement in 1905.
2. It was started by Gopal Krishna Gokhale.

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:

1. Unlike conventional hydrocarbons that can be extracted from the permeable rocks easily, shale gas is trapped under low permeable rocks.
2. Currently, there is no large-scale commercial production of shale oil and gas in India.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

17. The Sydney Dialogue is an annual summit on:

- (a) Climate change  
(b) Cyber technology  
(c) Hunger and malnutrition  
(d) Sustainable water utilisation

18. With reference to Remittances, consider the following statements:

1. They help in stimulating economic development in recipient countries.
2. The World Bank has declared India as the world's third largest recipient of remittances after China and Mexico.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

19. Hydraulic fracking has been recently in the news. Which of the following statements most appropriately describes it.

- (a) Process used in extraction of shale gas.  
(b) Process of centrifugation in nuclear fission.  
(c) Process of extracting geothermal energy.  
(d) Process of whaling

20. Consider the following statements:

1. Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme.
2. It includes a component of upgradation of existing rural roads.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

21. With reference to Strategic Petroleum Reserves (SPR), consider the following statements:

1. SPR are huge stockpiles of crude oil to deal with any crude oil-related crisis.
2. The International Energy Agency helps coordinate member countries to release SPR oil into markets.
3. India has the highest SPR.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

22. Consider the following statements:

1. It was established in 1945 by a UN Charter.
2. Its headquarter is in Hague, Netherlands.
3. It settles legal disputes between member countries.

The above statements are most appropriately related to which of the following UN bodies?

- (a) International Court of Justice  
(b) International Labour Organisation  
(c) United Nations Security Council  
(d) Economic and Social Council

23. Which of the following articles in the Indian Constitution provide that the state shall endeavour to secure a Uniform Civil Code (UCC) for the citizens throughout the territory of India?

- (a) Article 41                      (b) Article 44  
(c) Article 46                      (d) Article 42

24. With reference to repealing a law, consider the following statements:

1. The Parliament of India derives its power to repeal a law from the same constitutional provision from which it derives the power to enact a law.
2. The Parliament does not have to enact another legislation to repeal a law if the law has a 'Sunset' clause.

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

25. Consider the following statements:

1. Veto Power of the President of India is guided by Article 111 of the Indian Constitution.
2. Article 112 of the Indian Constitution deals with the powers of the Governor with regard to assent given to bills passed by the State legislature.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

26. Which of the following statements are correct regarding the Navigation Indian Constellation (NavIC):
1. It consists of eight satellites; three in geostationary orbit and five in geosynchronous orbit.
  2. Despite having a lesser number of satellites than GPS, NavIC has better positioning accuracy.
  3. It was recognised by the IMO for operation in the Indian Ocean Region.
  4. Apart from India, only the USA and China are the two countries that have their own navigation system.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1, 3 and 4                      (b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 1, 2 and 3                      (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
27. With reference to the Mauryan Empire, consider the following statements:
1. It was the first most powerful Indian empire to bring the entire Indian subcontinent under a single rule.
  2. The empire, under Chandragupta Maurya, spread its boundaries into Central Asia and Persia.
  3. Bindusara expanded the kingdom over most of present-day India, except Kalinga.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) 1 and 3 only                      (d) 1, 2 and 3
28. Consider the following statements:
1. Amazon are the world's largest tropical rainforest occupying the drainage basin of the Amazon River and its tributaries
  2. The Amazon includes parts of only five South American countries.
- Which of the above statements are correct?
- (a) 1 only                              (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) Neither 1 nor 2
29. Consider the following statements regarding Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF):
1. It ensures universal non-discriminatory access to quality ICT services at economically efficient prices to people in rural and remote areas.
  2. It became statutory by Indian Telegraph Act, 1885
  3. It is under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Communication.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?
- (a) 1 and 3 only                      (b) 1 and 2 only  
(c) 2 and 3 only                      (d) 1, 2 and 3
30. In which of the following battles was Porus defeated by Alexander?
- (a) Battle of Gaugamela  
(b) Battle of Hydaspes  
(c) Battle of Persian Gate  
(d) Battle of Issus
31. Consider the following pairs:
- | <b>Swachh Surve kshan<br/>(2021) Awardee</b> | <b>Category</b>                                      |
|--|--|
| 1. Prayagraj                                 | Cleanest Ganga Town                                  |
| 2. Chhattisgarh                              | Cleanest State with More than 100 Urban Local Bodies |
| 3. Mizoram                                   | Cleanest State with Less than 100 Urban Local Bodies |
- Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- (a) 1 and 2 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) 2 and 3 only  
(d) 1, 2 and 3
32. Consider the following statements regarding Hypersonic Technology:
1. Missiles based on this technology have at least 10 times the speed of sound.
  2. Most hypersonic vehicles primarily use dual mode ramjet (DMRJ) technology.
- 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. Which of the following outcomes is not correct regarding Consolidation of Banks?
- (a) The consolidation of Banks helps in strengthening its presence globally and nationally.  
(b) It has the potential to reduce operational costs .  
(c) It generally increases the pace of decision making at the top level.  
(d) Larger banks have a better ability to raise resources.
34. Consider the following statements:
1. The Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development was instituted in 2015.
  2. Pratham, a civil society organisation has been conferred the Prize for 2021.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                              (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) Neither 1 nor 2
35. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana (Gramin), consider the following statements:
1. Its objective is to achieve the target of Housing of All by 2025.
  2. It is implemented by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.
  3. Disabled persons are also a beneficiary of this scheme.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 3 only  
(b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 1 and 2 only  
(d) 1, 2 and 3 only

36. With reference to the Panchayat Extension to Scheduled Areas (PESA) Act, 1996, consider the following statements:
1. It was enacted after Bhuria Committee recommendations in 1995.
  2. It empowers gram sabhas to play a key role in approving development plans.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
37. With reference to the Gallantry Award, consider the following statements:
1. Gallantry Awards were instituted by India after the Indo-China War.
  2. Maha Vir Chakra is India's highest military decoration award during wartime
  3. Ashok Chakra is the highest military award during peacetime.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 2 only                      (b) 1 and 3 only  
(c) 3 only                      (d) 1, 2 and 3
38. With reference to the White dwarfs, consider the following statements:
1. Every Star when it uses all its hydrogen fuel turns into white dwarfs.
  2. Stars fuse hydrogen in their cores into helium through nuclear fusion reactions.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
39. Consider the following statements regarding SDGs Urban Index and Dashboard 2021–22:
1. Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Urban Index and Dashboard 2021–22 has been released by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
  2. The index will go a long way in instituting a robust SDG monitoring system in the whole of India.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
40. "Bharat Gaurav" scheme was recently in news, it is related to -
- (a) To tap the huge potential of tourism
  - (b) To empower the Panchayats
  - (c) To achieve the ODF+ across the different states in India
  - (d) To increase the access of services for the migrants
41. The 'Go Blue' Campaign, recently in news, is associated with which of the following?
- (a) Promoting inland fisheries
  - (b) Spreading awareness about Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)
  - (c) Spreading awareness about the conservation of marine life
  - (d) Promotion clean beaches
42. With reference to Global Nutrition Report, 2021, consider the following statements:
1. There is no country 'on track' to halt the rise in adult obesity or achieve a relative reduction in salt/sodium intake.
  2. India has made significant progress in anaemia and childhood wasting.
- 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
43. Consider the following statements:
1. This was illegally smuggled Arab region into India
  2. A hot and humid climate with temperatures ranging between 15°C and 28 °C are required.
  3. Naturally grows in the Western and Eastern Ghats.
- The above statements most appropriately are related to which of the following crops.
- International Labour Organisation
- (a) Tobacco                      (b) Nigiri Tea  
(c) Coffee                      (d) Cashewnut
44. 'Dosti' is a trilateral coast guard exercise involving -
- (a) India, Bangladesh and Srilanka
  - (b) India, Srilanka and Maldives
  - (c) Pakistan, Srilanka and Bangladesh
  - (d) India, Bangladesh and Oman
45. With reference to ACROSS Scheme, consider the following statements:
1. It pertains to the atmospheric science programs of the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES).
  2. The scheme will provide improvements for warnings for cyclones, storm surges, heat waves and thunderstorms.
- 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. With reference to the Digital Services Tax, consider the following statements:
1. It aims to tax revenues generated by multinationals like Google, Amazon and Apple for providing certain digital services.
  2. There is no legal provision for taxing digital services in India.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
47. With reference to Havana Syndrome, consider the following statements:
1. It is characterised by a person having odd physical sensations and hearing peculiar sounds.
  2. Directed microwave radiation is found to be the plausible cause of Havana syndrome.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2

48. With reference to microwave weapons, consider the following statements:
1. They are capable of affecting both machines and human beings.
  2. China is the only country to display a prototype of microwave weapons.
- 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:
1. The Total fertility rate (TFR) refers to the total number of children born or likely to be born to a woman in her lifetime.
  2. TFR of about 2.1 children per woman is called Replacement-level fertility.
  3. The TFR has declined from 2.2 reported in 2015-16 to 2.0 at the all-India level in 2019-21.
- 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
50. Consider the following statements:
1. India is one of the highly earthquake affected countries because of the presence of technically active young fold mountains.
  2. The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has grouped India into four seismic zones.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
51. Consider the following statements:
1. It is the fundamental duty of every citizen of India to develop the scientific temper.
  2. India has the highest number of women STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) graduates, globally.
  3. The KIRAN scheme was specifically launched to provide career opportunities to unemployed women scientists and technologists.
- 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. With reference to the National Family Health Survey (NFHS-5), consider the following statements:
1. The share of women (aged 20-24) who married before turning 18 has increased in the last five years.
  2. The percentage of anaemic men and women both, has increased from 2015-16 to 2019-21.
- 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
53. With reference to the National Milk Day, consider the following statements:
1. It is celebrated to commemorate the inauguration of the Operation flood.
  2. The Operation flood has helped India become the largest producer of milk in the world.
  3. Dr. Verghese Kurien is known as the Milk Man of India.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?
- (a) 1 and 3 only  
(b) 1 and 2 only  
(c) 2 and 3 only  
(d) 1, 2 and 3
54. Consider the following statements:
1. The elections were held for the formation of the constituent assembly in 1946 under Cabinet Mission plan.
  2. The Advisory Committee on Fundamental Rights, Minorities and Tribal and Excluded Areas was headed by Vallabhbhai Patel.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
55. The early warning anti-missile system named Kupol or dome, is related to which of the following countries?
- (a) Russia                      (b) Israel  
(c) Canada                      (d) China
56. Consider the following statements:
1. It is the core legal body of the United Nations system in the field of international trade law.
  2. Its model law is the most widely accepted legal framework to deal with cross-border insolvency issues.
  3. India is only one of eight countries that has been a member of this body since its inception.
- The above statements most appropriately describe which of the following UN bodies?
- (a) World Trade Organisation (WTO)  
(b) UNCTAD  
(c) International Trade Center (ITC)  
(d) UNCITRAL
57. Which of the following best describes Project Swadesh:
- (a) It is a database launched for managing neurological disorders.  
(b) It is a campaign launched for promoting education and employment in India to prevent brain drain.  
(c) It is a science and technology workshop launched for Overseas Citizens of India (OCI).  
(d) It is a scheme launched for the elderly to provide tourism facilities within India.

58. Consider the following statements regarding the SAFAR (System of Air Quality and Weather Forecast and Research)?
1. The initiative is introduced by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
  2. It monitors weather parameters like temperature, UV radiation, and solar radiation.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
59. Which of the following thematic areas are included in the BRICS Innovation Cooperation Action Plan (2021-24)?
1. Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)
  2. Big Data Analytics
  3. Food Industry
  4. Nanophotonics
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 3 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
60. With reference to the Mutation, consider the following statements:
1. When a virus mutates, it always produces its clone.
  2. Viruses with new mutations are sometimes called Variants.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
61. With reference to Zero Defect Zero Effect Scheme (ZED), consider the following statements:
1. In this scheme, zero effect refers to zero air pollution, liquid discharge and solid waste.
  2. It is implemented by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB).
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
62. Consider the following statements:
1. The Delimitation Commission is appointed by the President of India and works in collaboration with the Election Commission of India.
  2. Delimitation Commissions have been set up only twice in India in 1973 and 2002 under the Acts of 1972 and 2002, respectively.
- 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
63. Consider the following statements:
1. The India Young Water Professional Programme is a joint program of Australia and India.
  2. The India Young Water Professional Programme has been taken up under the National Hydrology Project.
  3. The National Hydrology Project is a Central Sector Scheme supported by the World Bank.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only  
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
64. Which of the following indicators are used for developing India's national Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI)?
1. Nutrition
  2. School attendance
  3. Drinking water
  4. Bank account
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only  
(c) 1 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
65. Fiat Currency has been recently in the news. Which of the following statements most appropriately describes it.
- (a) It does not have any intrinsic value
  - (b) Forex reserves with IMF
  - (c) Commodity Money
  - (d) Quota reserved with IMF

## Answers

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|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1. (d)  | 2. (a)  | 3. (d)  | 4. (c)  | 5. (a)  | 6. (a)  | 7. (d)  | 8. (d)  | 9. (d)  | 10. (d) |
| 11. (a) | 12. (a) | 13. (d) | 14. (b) | 15. (d) | 16. (c) | 17. (b) | 18. (a) | 19. (a) | 20. (c) |
| 21. (c) | 22. (a) | 23. (b) | 24. (d) | 25. (a) | 26. (c) | 27. (d) | 28. (a) | 29. (b) | 30. (b) |
| 31. (b) | 32. (d) | 33. (c) | 34. (b) | 35. (a) | 36. (c) | 37. (c) | 38. (b) | 39. (d) | 40. (a) |
| 41. (b) | 42. (a) | 43. (c) | 44. (b) | 45. (c) | 46. (a) | 47. (c) | 48. (a) | 49. (d) | 50. (c) |
| 51. (d) | 52. (b) | 53. (c) | 54. (c) | 55. (a) | 56. (d) | 57. (a) | 58. (b) | 59. (d) | 60. (b) |
| 61. (a) | 62. (a) | 63. (d) | 64. (d) | 65. (a) |         |         |         |         |         |