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(Consolidation)**

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(Part-I)**

1. With reference to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP), which of the following is/are correct?
 1. It is a measure of total output of the economy after deducting the cost of inputs and raw materials.
 2. It is released by the National Statistical Organisation.
 Choose the correct option from the codes given below.

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

2. The term Open Market Operations is related with which of the following?

(a) Government Securities	(b) Foreign Exchange
(c) Gold Deposits	(d) Participatory Notes

3. With reference to the Chola empire, which of the following statements is/are correct?
 1. The Chola Empire was founded by Vijayalaya.
 2. 'Project Digital Poompuhar' has been launched to recreate the port city of Cholas.
 Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

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

4. With reference to the Baobab Tree, which of the following statements is/are correct?
 1. Baobabs are evergreen trees ranging in height from 5 to 20 meters.
 2. They grow naturally in low-lying areas of the Gangetic plain.
 Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

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

5. With reference to the National Register of Citizens (NRC), which of the following is/are correct?
 1. NRC is a citizen register, containing the names of every citizen of India.
 2. It has been prepared only once after the Census of 1951.
 Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

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

6. With reference to Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), consider the following statements:
 1. The mission lays special emphasis on the financial inclusion of vulnerable communities.
 2. It was launched by the Ministry of Rural Development.
 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

7. With reference to the East Asia Summit, which of the following is/are not correct?
 1. It is based on the ASEAN Plus Six mechanism.
 2. The members are from the continent of Asia only.
 Choose the correct option from the codes given below:

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

8. With reference to the Special Frontier Force, consider the following statements:
 1. It was raised to prevent Chinese occupation at LAC.
 2. It falls under the purview of the Ministry of Defense.
 3. It is also referred to as Vikas Battalion.
 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 only

9. INDRA series of exercise is conducted by India in association with which of the following countries?

(a) Russia	(b) U.S.A
(c) France	(d) Indonesia

10. In which of the following tiger reserves the world's largest and oldest teak tree named Kannimara is located?

(a) Dandeli Tiger Reserve	(b) Bandipur Tiger Reserve
(c) Nagarhole Tiger Reserve	(d) Parambikulam Tiger Reserve

11. With reference to UNSC Resolution 1267 Sanctions Committee, consider the following statements:
 1. The committee under resolutions 1267 can designate a person as global terrorists.
 2. It is one of the most important and active UN subsidiary bodies working on efforts to combat terrorism.
 3. Even a permanent five (P-5) member of UNSC can not use Veto against the decision of this committee.
 Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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

12. Consider the following statements:
 1. The mechanism of Question Hour is only limited to Lok Sabha.
 2. Zero Hour is an Indian parliamentary innovation mentioned in the 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

13. With reference to the Merchandise Exports from India Scheme, consider the following statements:
1. It is introduced under New Import Export Code (IEC).
 2. It seeks to provide duty benefits to exporters.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 and 2
14. With reference to Mission Karmayogi, which of the following is/are correct?
1. It is a new capacity building scheme for civil servants aimed at upgrading the pre recruitment training mechanism.
 2. It will be governed by the Prime Minister's Human Resource Council.
- Choose the correct option from the codes given below.
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
15. With reference to National Commission for Backward Classes, consider the following statements:
1. It is a statutory body under the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment.
 2. It has all the powers of a civil court while trying a suit.
- 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. With reference to Corals, consider the following statements:
1. Corals extract sodium carbonate which pile up with time to form coral reefs.
 2. Corals have a symbiotic relationship with photosynthetic algae zooxanthellae which are responsible for the variety of colours of corals.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
17. Which of the following is the objective of Vande Bharat Mission?
- (a) It is an evacuation exercise to repatriate Indian citizens from overseas.
 - (b) It is a combined military exercise with multiple countries.
 - (c) It aims to upgrade India's existing railway network to semi-high speed.
 - (d) It aims to rehabilitate the migrant labourers who lost their livelihood during Covid 19 crisis.
18. With reference to the Official Languages in India, consider the following statements:
1. Hindi & English are the only languages for transactions of business in parliament.
 2. Part XVII of the Indian Constitution deals with the official languages.
3. English is an official language under Eighth schedule.
- 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
19. With reference to Environment Impact Assessment (EIA), consider the following statements:
1. EIA is a part of the formalised legal framework in India.
 2. EIA emerged out of the Rio declaration in 1992.
 3. Convention on Biological Diversity contains a requirement of EIA.
- Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 2 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
20. With reference to Hurricanes, which of the following is/are correct?
1. Hurricanes are temperate cyclones.
 2. They are usually formed over the warm ocean waters.
- Choose the correct option from the codes given below.
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
21. With reference to Priority Sector Lending (PSL), consider the following statements:
1. Regional rural banks (RRBs) and small finance banks have to allocate 40% of adjusted Net Bank Credit (ANDC) to PSL.
 2. Loans for setting up compressed biogas plants is a category eligible for finance under PSL.
- 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
22. With reference to the conservation status of Gangetic Dolphin, consider the following statements:
1. It is listed under the first schedule of Indian Wildlife (Protection), Act 1972.
 2. It is listed as critically endangered under the IUCN Red List.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
23. With reference to the BRICS, consider the following statements:
1. The term was coined by the British Economist Agnus Deaton.
 2. New Development Bank And Contingent Reserve Arrangement were announced by Goa Declaration of BRICS.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 and 2

24. With reference to Parliamentary Committees, consider the following statements:
1. The Constitution of India mentions the composition and tenure of parliamentary committees.
 2. The house-keeping committee is a standing committee.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
25. With reference to the draft of Data Empowerment and Protection Architecture (DEPA), which of the following is/are correct?
1. It is a draft released by the RBI which aims at empowering individuals with control over their banking data.
 2. It will involve the creation of new market players known as User Consent Managers.
- Choose the correct answer using the codes given below.
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
26. 'Nord Stream 2' is a gas pipeline between which of the following two countries?
- (a) Russia and France
(b) Russia and Germany
(c) Germany and Sweden
(d) Sweden and Poland
27. With reference to Development Finance Institutions (DFIs), consider the following statements:
1. DFIs only provide short-term credit.
 2. It can only be promoted by the government.
 3. DFIs often lend at low and stable rates of interest to promote investments with considerable social benefits.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
28. With reference to the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act (FCRA), 2010, consider the following statements:
1. It regulates foreign funding of voluntary organizations in India.
 2. It is implemented by the NITI Aayog.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 and 2
29. Wagon Tragedy is associated with which of the following?
- (a) Komatagaru Incident (b) Moplah Rebellion
(c) Aligarh Conspiracy (d) Kakori Conspiracy
30. With reference to the Basic Structure doctrine, which of the following is/are correct?
1. It was propounded in the famous Maneka Gandhi case.
 2. Basic structure doctrine has been mentioned in Part III of the Constitution.
- Choose the correct answer from the codes given below.
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
31. Recently the Yanomami Tribe has been in the news. It belongs to which of the following geographical regions?
- (a) Amazon forests (b) Naga hills
(c) Papua New Guinea (d) Falkland Islands
32. With reference to India State of Forest Report (2019), consider the following statements:
1. Arunachal Pradesh has the highest forest cover Area-wise.
 2. Karnataka has shown the highest increase in forest cover.
- 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. With reference to Hypersonic Technology Demonstrator Vehicle (HSTDV), consider the following statements:
1. It is an unmanned ramjet demonstration aircraft that can travel at hypersonic speed.
 2. India is the only country that has developed this 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
34. With reference to the 'KIRAN Helpline', consider the following statements:
1. It aims to provide support to people for their mental health and well-being.
 2. It is launched by the Ministry of Education.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
35. With reference to Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament and Development, which of the following is/are correct?
1. It is the award accorded biennially by Indira Gandhi Memorial Trust.
 2. The prize is awarded to Indian citizens only.
- Choose the correct answer from the codes given below.
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

36. With reference to 'Rogan art', consider the following statements:

1. The style of painting originated in Persia.
2. It is a form of textile painting made by using castor oil and natural colors.

Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?

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

37. Consider the following statements:

1. Jaipur is the only city in India to get recognition as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
2. Patrika Gate in Jaipur has been declared as a World Heritage Site.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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

38. With reference to 'Sanskrit Grams', which of the following is/are correct?

1. These are the model villages where people will be encouraged to communicate with each other in Sanskrit.
2. Karnataka became the first state to develop Sanskrit Grams.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below.

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

39. With reference to the Bamboo, consider the following statements:

1. It comes under the category of trees.
2. It is also called poor man's timber.
3. It covers more than 10 percent of the total forest area in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

40. With reference to the term "Real Mango" which of the following is correct?

- (a) It is an illegal software.
(b) It is a spyware.
(c) It is an illegal synthetic flavour.
(d) It is a genetically modified variety of mango.

41. Consider the following pairs of storms and the oceans where they mainly occurs:

- | torm | Oceans |
|---------------|----------------|
| 1. Typhoons | Pacific Ocean |
| 2. Hurricanes | Atlantic Ocean |
| 3. Tornados | Indian Ocean |

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

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

42. With reference to Enhanced Access and Service Excellence (EASE) reform agenda, consider the following statements:

1. It has been commissioned through the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
2. It envisions providing doorstep banking services to the customers.

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. With reference to the Indo-Pacific Trilateral Dialogue, consider the following statements:

1. It is a strategic dialogue between India, Japan and Australia.
2. It is an addition to the Quad initiative.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 and 2

44. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY), which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It aims to boost production and double the farmer's income.
2. It aims to create fisheries clusters through backward and forward linkages.

Choose the correct option from the codes given below.

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

45. With reference to recently released report 'Household Social Consumption: Education in India' as part of NSO Survey (2017-18), consider the following statements:

1. More than 50% of the households in India had internet access.
2. Gross Attendance Ratio (GAR) at primary level was nearly 100%.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

46. Consider the following statements:

1. Ozone occurs in both the stratosphere and troposphere of the Earth's atmosphere.
2. The Ozone found in the troposphere is a harmful air pollutant.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

47. With reference to the Global Innovation Index 2020, consider the following statements:
1. It is released by the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO).
 2. India is ranked in the list of top ten innovative countries.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 and 2
48. With reference to the 'Five Star Villages' scheme, consider the following statements:
1. It is launched by the Ministry of Rural Development.
 2. It aims to provide universal coverage of flagship postal schemes in rural areas.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 and 2
49. With reference to the 'SAROD-Ports', which of the following is/are correct?
1. It is a platform for settlement of disputes through arbitrations in the maritime sector.
 2. It has been established under Societies Registration Act, 1860.
- Choose the correct option from the codes given below.
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
50. The 'Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT)' scheme is launched by which of the following ministries?
- (a) Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
(b) Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare
(c) Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas
(d) Ministry of Railways
51. Bradykinin hypothesis has been in the news. It is related to?
- (a) SARS-CoV-2
(b) Magnetic pole shifting
(c) Climate change
(d) Extraterrestrial life
52. With reference to Climate Smart Cities Assessment Framework 2.0, which of the following is/are correct?
1. The framework is launched by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
 2. It has been launched under the Smart Cities Mission.
- Choose the correct option from the codes given below.
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
53. With reference to Sonamura-Daudkandi Route, consider the following statements:
1. It is an inland waterway route over river Gumati.
 2. It connects Tripura with the National Waterways of India through Bangladesh.
- 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
54. Which of the following are among eight core sector industries?
1. Cement 2. Electricity
 3. Refinery Products 4. Fertilizers
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only
(b) 1, 2 and 3 only
(c) 2, 3 and 4 only
(d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
55. With reference to Ease of Doing Business Rankings based on the State Business Reform Action Plan, consider the following statements:
1. The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade releases it.
 2. The state of Gujarat has topped the rankings.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
56. With reference to Singapore Convention on Mediation, consider the following statements:
1. It will provide a more effective way of enforcing mediated settlements of corporate disputes.
 2. It is an United Nations convention.
 3. India is yet to sign the convention.
- 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
57. With reference to Parliament Sessions, consider the following statements:
1. The Parliament is required to meet at least twice a year.
 2. Recess is the period between the prorogation of a House and its reassembly in a new session.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

58. With reference to the Indian Brain Templates, consider the following statements:

1. It is a representation of various brain images to understand its functionality.
2. It is developed by the National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 and 2

59. With reference to the Hindi language, consider the following statements:

1. Hindi is the only official language under Article 343 of the Indian Constitution.
2. It is also an eighth schedule language .

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

60. Which of the following are included in the Central Armed Police Forces?

1. The National Security Guard
2. Assam Rifles
3. Border Security Force
4. Sashastra Seema Bal

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

61. With reference to Inflation Indices in India, consider the following statements:

1. The retail inflation is measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI).
2. CPI is published by the Office of Economic Adviser, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
3. The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) uses Wholesale Price Index (WPI) data to control inflation

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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

62. Consider the following statements:

1. Exceptional Grant is granted when the amount authorised by the Parliament for any service is found to be insufficient in that year.
2. Vote of Credit is granted for meeting an unexpected demand upon the resources of India.
3. Supplementary Grant is granted for a special purpose and forms no part of the current service of any financial year.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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

63. With reference to 'Methane Hydrate', consider the following statements:

1. It is formed when hydrogen-bonded water and methane gas come into contact at high pressures and low temperature.
2. It can be extracted by drilling the ocean surface.

Which if the statement given above is/ are correct?

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

64. With reference to the Graphene, consider the following statements:

1. It is one atom thick.
2. It is an allotrope of carbon.
3. It is the strongest known material.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

65. With reference to PRASHAD scheme, consider the following statements:

1. Its objective is rejuvenation and spiritual augmentation of important national pilgrimage and heritage sites.
2. The projects identified under this scheme are implemented by the Ministry of Tourism.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Answers

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