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INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Immediately after the commencement of the examination, you should check that this test booklet does not have any unprinted or torn or missing pages or items, etc. if so, get it replaced by a complete test booklet.
- 2. This test contains 100 questions. Each question comprises four responses and you have to mark only one as the correct response. In case you feel there is more than one response, mark the one that you consider the best or the most appropriate.
- 3. Each question carries equal marks, i.e., **2 marks**. However, there will be penalty for wrong answers. For each wrong response to a question, **one-third** of the total marks assigned to the question, will be deducted as penalty.
 - (a) If a student gives more than one answer to a question, it will be treated as wrong answer.
 - (b) If there is no response to a question, there will be no penalty for that question.
- 4. You have to mark all your responses on the separate Answer Sheet (OMR Sheet).
- 5. After filling the responses, submit only the answer sheet. You can take away the question booklet.

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- 1. Consider the following statements with reference to Ujh Multipurpose (National) Project:
 - 1. The project is planned to be constructed in Kathua District of Jammu and Kashmir.
 - 2. The River Ujh flows in India and China, and is a major tributary of Huang He river of Western China.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 2. The first meeting of the embryonic steering committee of Blue Dot Network was held in which of the following places?
 - (a) USA
- (b) England
- (c) France
- (d) India
- 3. Which of the following statements is/are correct about the National Common Mobility Card?
 - 1. It is under the aegis of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
 - The customer may use this single card for payments across all segments including metro, bus, suburban railways, toll, parking, smart city and retail.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 4. Consider the following statements with reference to novel Coronavirus disease (COVID-19):
 - 1. The virus was first detected in the Chinese city of Wuhan in December 2019.
 - 2. The virus spreads primarily through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes.
 - 3. Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) and Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) are two examples of coronaviruses.

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
- 5. Consider the following statements with reference to 'Vivad se Vishwas scheme':
 - 1. The scheme is proposed to reduce litigations in indirect as well as direct taxes.

- 2. The 'Vivad se Vishwas' scheme will remain open till 30th June, 2020.
- 3. The scheme provides for paying only the amount of the disputed taxes and complete waiver of interest and penalties.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 6. Recently, Bharat Bond Exchange Traded Fund was launched. Consider the following statements with reference to it:
 - 1. It is tradable on the stock exchange as a basket of bonds issued by public sector companies or any government organisation.
 - 2. It will restrict retail investors to buy government debt.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 7. International Crop Research Institute for Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) is headquartered in:
 - (a) Paris, France
- (b) Hyderabad, India
- (c) Wuhan, China
- (d) Nairobi, Kenya
- 8. Consider the following statements with reference to National Centre for Polar and Ocean Research (NCPOR):
 - 1. It is an autonomous research and development institution of the Ministry of Earth Sciences.
 - 2. NCPOR carries the maintenance of Maitri and Bharti, the two research stations of India in Antarctica.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 9. Which among the following is the objective of the National Mission "NISHTHA":
 - (a) To improve learning outcomes at the elementary level.
 - (b) To strive to attract the faith of the people in the banking system in India.
 - (c) To help develop a conducive environment in the Police station to attract people's faith.
 - (d) None of these.



- 10. Consider the following statements about Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats (IDWH):
 - 1. It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme to provide financial assistance to States/UTs for protection of wildlife and its habitats.
 - 2. It was launched during the 11th five year plan.

Select the correct answers using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 11. Consider the following statements with reference to the National Board for Wildlife (NBWL):
 - 1. It was established under the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.
 - 2. It is chaired by the Union Minister of Environment.
 - 3. No alteration of the boundaries of a Wildlife Sanctuary or National Park can be made by the State government except on the recommendation of the National Board for Wildlife (NBWL).

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
- 12. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the recent judgement of the Supreme Court on permanent commission for women in Indian Armed Forces?
 - 1. It made women eligible to be tenants of all the command appointments.
 - 2. It made the Women Short Service Commission entitled for the grant of permanent commission.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 13. Consider the following about Corruption Perception Index-2019:
 - 1. It is an annual index issued by Transparency International.
 - 2. It uses a scale of 0 to 100, where 100 is highly corrupt and 0 is very clean.
 - 3. New Zealand and Denmark topped the Index, whereas India secured 80th position.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 14. Recently, SMC2 and SMC4 were in news, they are:
 - (a) Solar Mission Conventions
 - (b) Severe Cancer Diseases
 - (c) Newly developed Bt Cotton products
 - (d) Large Protein Complexes
- 15. Which among the following Indian sites is/are added to the list of Ramsar sites recently?
 - 1. Nandur Madhmeshwar Bird Sanctuary
 - 2. Beas Conservation Reserve
 - 3. Nangal Wildlife Sanctuary
 - 4. Keshopur Miani Community Reserve

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 16. Which among the following states hosted India's first ever Conference of Parties to the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals?
 - (a) Tamil Nadu
- (b) Maharashtra
- (c) Uttar Pradesh
- (d) Gujarat
- 17. Who among the following was the Chief Guest for the Republic Day Parade of India 2020?
 - (a) Jair Bolsonaro
- (b) Hassan Rouhani
- (c) Donald Trump
- (d) Boris Johnson
- 18. Recently, the Public Safety Act, 1978 of Jammu and Kashmir was in the news. Consider the following statements with reference to it:
 - 1. It allows for detaining an individual for life long without any specific charges or a trial.
 - 2. The detained person does not have the right to move a bail application before the court.

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. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) Regulation Bill, 2020?
 - 1. The Bill seeks to make it mandatory to conduct tests to help identify genetic defects within embryos.
 - 2. The Bill provides for a National Board to lay down code of conduct as well as to set up a National Registry to maintain a database.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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



- 20. In 2018, the Supreme Court constituted a committee on Prison Reforms, it was headed by:
 - (a) Justice Amitava Roy
 - (b) Justice S. Murlidhar
 - (c) Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde
 - (d) Justice Ranjan Gogoi
- 21. Consider the following statements with reference to Reserve Bank of India's proposed draft framework for setting up a New Umbrella Entity (NUE):
 - 1. It aims to set up a new pan-India umbrella entity/entities focussing on retail payment systems.
 - 2. The New Umbrella Entity (NUE) will be a company incorporated in India under the Companies Act, 2013.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 22. Consider the following with reference recently discovered mRNAs in India:
 - 1. They are small molecules, which help in controlling the levels of proteins in the cell.
 - 2. They can help obtain changes in plants and stop production of certain proteins.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 23. Which of the following statements is/are correct about the Genome India Project?
 - 1. It will help develop a deep understanding of genetic transmission of diseases from one generation to the other.
 - 2. All India Institute of Medical Sciences will serve as the nodal point of this project.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 24. Consider the following statements regarding the Basic Exchange and Cooperation Agreement, which was recently in news:
 - 1. The Agreement allows geospatial and satellite data among the partner countries.
 - 2. It is to be signed between India and China.

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. Which of the following is/are correct regarding the Draft Policy on Rare Disease?
 - It seeks to provide for the financial support of upto ₹50 lakh under the Rare Diseases Elimination Scheme.
 - 2. The beneficiary will include each and every citizen of India suffering from rare diseases.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 26. Consider the following statements with reference to Brihadeshwara Temple:
 - 1. It was built under the patronage of Rajaraja Chola.
 - 2. It is dedicated to Lord Shiva and is one of the greatest examples of Dravidian Style of Temple Architecture.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 27. Oslo Peace Accords were signed between:
 - (a) Israel and the Palestine
 - (b) Saudi Arabia and Iran
 - (c) North Korea and South Korea
 - (d) USA and Taliban
- 28. Consider the following statements with reference to the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Amendment Act, 2019:
 - 1. It empowers the National Investigation Agency to attach properties that are linked to terrorist.
 - 2. Individuals who participate in terrorist activities will be declared as terrorists under this Act.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 29. Which of the following is/are correct with reference to recently concluded Nagoba Jatara?
 - 1. It is a religious and cultural event of the aboriginal Raj Gond and Pradhan tribes of Telangana.
 - 2. During this festival, the maha puja of serpent god Nagoba is held.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2

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(d) Neither 1 nor 2



- 30. Recently, the Indian Navy has launched the 'Operation Vanilla' with which of the following objectives?
 - (a) To assist the population of Pakistan affected by Cyclone Titli.
 - (b) To assist the population of Nepal affected by Cyclone Hudhud.
 - (c) To assist the population of Bangladesh affected by Cyclone Fani.
 - (d) To assist the population of Madagascar affected by Cyclone Diane.
- 31. Consider the following statements with reference to SAMPRITI IX:
 - 1. It is a joint naval training exercise between India and Bangladesh.
 - 2. It is an annual exercise hosted alternately by both countries.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 32. Which among the following Articles of the Indian Constitution allows the Supreme Court to issue decree and order for doing complete justice in any cause or matter pending before it?
 - (a) Article 32
- (b) Article 142
- (c) Article 124
- (d) Article 129
- 33. Consider the following statements with reference to 34th Surajkund International Crafts Mela:
 - 1. It is an annual hand craft festival being held since 1987.
 - 2. Haryana is chosen as the 'Theme State', whereas China as the 'Partner Nation' for the Mela- 2020.

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. In India, Access to the Internet is a
 - (a) Legal Right
- (b) Fundamental Right
- (c) Statutory Right
- (d) None of these
- 35. Consider the following statements with reference to Solar Orbiter Mission:
 - 1. The mission is a cooperative mission between NASA and ISRO.
 - 2. It will study the Sun's Poles and solar winds.
 - 3. It is the first mission ever to study the Sun.

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

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 36. Which among the following States has become the first state to enact a law on contract farming?
 - (a) Mizoram
- (b) Arunachal Pradesh
- (c) Uttar Pradesh
- (d) Tamil Nadu
- 37. Consider the following statements with reference to Anti-Satellite Missile Test (ASAT):
 - 1. It was dubbed as Mission Shakti by the Government of India.
 - 2. It is a modified three-stage Interceptor missile of the Ballistic Missile Defence system of DRDO.

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. Recently, India hosted the first-ever BIMSTEC Conference on Combating Drug Trafficking in New Delhi. Which among the following were the partner countries of BIMSTEC?
 - 1. Bangladesh
- 2. Bhutan
- 3. Nepal
- 4. Thailand

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 39. Which of the following statements with reference to SUTRA-PIC is/are correct?
 - 1. It aims to develop products as well as improve the genetic quality of indigenous cattle breeds.
 - 2. The programme consists of five themes such as uniqueness, medicinal value, agricultural applications, nutritious elements and cows-based utility items.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 40. Which among the following is the aim of DigiYatra Initiative?
 - (a) To enable passengers to buy online tickets.
 - (b) To promote use of facial recognition on airports where face would suffice as a boarding pass.
 - (c) To provide a digital gateway for check in services to the ship and naval passengers.
 - (d) None of these.



- 41. Which among the following is the objective of 'Kala Kumbh Handicrafts Thematic Exhibition'?
 - (a) To weed out the foreign materials from the market and promote indegenous products.
 - (b) To promote handicrafts among Muslims, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.
 - (c) To promote Geographical Indication (GI) crafts and heritage of India.
 - (d) None of these.
- 42. What would be the tenure of the 22nd Law Commission of India?
 - (a) 3 years
- (b) 5 years
- (c) 7 years
- (d) 10 years
- 43. Consider the following statements with reference to International Mother Language Day:
 - 1. It is observed every year on 21st February since 2000 to promote linguistic and cultural diversity and multilingualism.
 - 2. The idea to celebrate International Mother Language Day was the initiative of India, as it homes over 800 different languages.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 44. Consider the following statements in reference to Medieval Indian History:
 - The Humayun Tomb was commissioned by Hamida Banu Begum, the chief consort of Emperor Humayun.
 - 2. Sirr-e-Akbar, the Persian translation of Upanishads was written by Dara Shikoh, the son of Shah Jahan.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 45. The Union Budget 2020-21 has been structured on the overall theme of:
 - (a) Women's Empowerment
 - (b) Competitive India
 - (c) Ease of Living
 - (d) Youth and India

- 46. Consider the following statements:
 - Sophisticated Analytical & Technical Help Institutes (SATHI) has been launched by the Department of Science and Technology.
 - 2. The SATHI Centres will address the problems of accessibility, maintenance, redundancy and duplication of expensive equipment in Institutions.

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. For which of the following purposes, Sujit Prasad Committee has been appointed by the Security and Exchange Board of India?
 - (a) To tender recommendation on Mutual Fund
 - (b) To tender recommendation on Municipal Bond
 - (c) To tender recommendation on regulation of Stock Market
 - (d) To tender recommendation on regulation of Monetary Policy
- 48. Recently, a term 'Muktoshri' was in news, it is:
 - (a) A group of Naxalites in Bengal.
 - (b) A scheme of Bengal government for women's empowerment.
 - (c) A militant group of Kashmir demanding freedom.
 - (d) A seed variety of rice.
- 49. Consider the following statements with reference to Karakoram Range:
 - 1. It is the second highest mountain range of the world spanning the borders of Pakistan, China and India and extending to Afghanistan and Tajikistan.
 - 2. The second highest peak in the world, K2 (Mount Godwin Austen), lies in the Karakoram range.
 - 3. The Chogo Lungma Glacier is a part of the Karakoram range.

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



50. Consider the following pairs:

Index	India's Rank
World Wide Educating	
for the Future Index-2019	$40^{ m th}$
Financial Secrecy	
Index-2020	47^{th}
International Intellectual	
Property Index-2020	35^{th}
	World Wide Educating for the Future Index-2019 Financial Secrecy Index-2020 International Intellectual

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

- (a) 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 51. Consider the following statements with reference to the Misery Index:
 - 1. It is an arithmetical sum of the unemployment rate and the inflation rate.
 - 2. The lower the index, the lesser is the misery felt by average citizens.

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
- 52. Which among the following is/are correct about the Global Health Security Index-2019?
 - 1. It is a biennial index issued by the World Health Organisation with financial support from the World Bank.
 - It is organized across six categories: prevention, early detection, rapid response, health system quality, compliance with international norms, and risk environment.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 53. Recently, Dividend Distribution Tax was in news. Consider the following with reference to it:
 - 1. It is levied on Government Securities and Shares.
 - 2. It would now be taxed only in the hands of the recipients.

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

- 54. Recently, Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 was in the news. Consider the following statements about it:
 - 1. It is an Act of Parliament which regulates the import, manufacturing and distribution of drugs in India only.
 - 2. The Government has notified all medical equipment used on humans as drugs under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 55. In which of the following States, 'Adopt Biotechnology for Community Development' was launched?
 - (a) Kerala
- (b) Karnataka
- (c) Mumbai
- (d) West Bengal
- 56. Consider the following statements with reference to the Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019:
 - 1. The Act reduces the period of naturalisation for acquiring Indian Citizenship from eleven years to five years.
 - 2. The Act will not apply to tribal areas of Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Tripura, included in the Sixth Schedule to 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
- 57. Who among the following is recently appointed as the first Lokpal of India?
 - (a) Justice Pinaki Chandra Ghosh
 - (b) Justice S Murlidhar
 - (c) Justice Amartya Pandey
 - (d) Justice Madan Lokur
- 58. Kasargod was in the news for a 620 km human wall for gender equality. Where is it situated?
 - (a) Eastern Ghat
- (b) Western Ghat
- (c) Himalaya
- (d) Deccan Plateau
- 59. Which of the following is/are correct about Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maandhan Yojana?
 - 1. All the workers of unorganised sectors can avail the benefit of this scheme.
 - 2. It is a voluntary and contributory pension scheme on a 50:50 basis.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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



- 60. Consider the following statements with reference to Cyclone Fani:
 - 1. It originated from a tropical depression formed near Sumatra in the Indian Ocean.
 - 2. It is named as "Fani" on the suggestion of Nepal, which was adversely affected by it.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 61. Ajeya Warrior is a joint exercise between:
 - (a) India and France
- (b) India and USA
- (c) India and UK
- (d) India and Israel
- 62. Which of the following statements is/are correct about the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)?
 - 1. The CDS will act as the Principal Military Advisor to the Defence Minister on all tri-services matters.
 - 2. General Bipin Rawat has been appointed as the first CDS of the Country.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 63. Recently, the Kerala Masala Bond has been listed at London Stock Exchange. Consider the following statements with reference to it:
 - 1. These are rupee-denominated borrowings issued by Indian entities in overseas markets.
 - 2. Its objectives are to fund infrastructure projects in India, fuel internal growth via borrowings and internationalise the Indian currency.

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
- 64. Consider the following with reference to EMISAT:
 - 1. It is India's first electronic surveillance satellite.
 - 2. It is an Indian reconnaissance satellite under ISRO's project Aryabhatta.

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. Recently, Sahitya Akademi Award-2019 was conferred. Consider the following about it:
 - The Sahitya Akademi Award is conferred in twenty-two constitutionally acclaimed languages of India.

2. Tamil writer Cho Dharman has won the 2019 Sahitya Akademi Award for his novel 'Sool'.

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
- 66. Which among the following is/are the awards conferred on the Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the year 2019?
 - 1. Order of Zayed of UAE
 - 2. King Hamad Order of the Renaissance of Bahrain
 - 3. Order of St Andrew the Apostle of Russia
 - 4. National Order of Merit of Guinea

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 67. Consider the following with reference to the Nobel Prize 2019:
 - 1. Esther Duflo and Michael Kremer were awarded the 2019 Nobel Prize in Economics.
 - 2. No one has been conferred the 2019 Nobel Peace Prize amidst the humanitarian crisis in Yemen.

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
- 68. Who among the following is/are conferred the Right Livelihood Award of 2019?
 - 1. Aminatou Haidar (Western Sahara)
 - 2. Guo Jianmei (China)
 - 3. Greta Thunberg (Sweden)
 - 4. Davi Kopenawa/Hutukara Yanomami Association (Brazil)

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 3 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 69. Recently, a place named 'Nur-Sultan' was in the news. Consider the following about it:
 - 1. It is the new name of Astana, the capital of Kazakhstan.
 - 2. It is located at the bank of the Rhine river.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2

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(d) Neither 1 nor 2



- 70. Consider the following statements:
 - The silver jubilee conference of the parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) took place in Madrid.
 - The conference of the parties to UNFCCC-2019 took place under the presidency of the Government of Chile.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 71. Recently, PM-KUSUM was in news, consider the following about it:
 - 1. It was launched with the objective of providing financial and water security to farmers.
 - 2. It aims to establish 10,000 MW of decentralised ground mounted grid-connected renewable power plants.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 72. In the Budget 2020-21, Krishi Udaan Scheme is proposed to be launched, consider the following statements about it:
 - 1. It will be launched by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare.
 - 2. It will help improve value realisation especially in North-East and tribal districts.

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. The target of TB Harega Desh Jeetega campaign is scheduled to be achieved in the year:
 - (a) 2020
- (b) 2025
- (c) 2030
- (d) 2035
- 74. Recently, NIRVIK was in news, consider the following statements about it:
 - It will provide high insurance cover for importers as well as exporters and reduce premiums for small importers and exporters.
 - 2. Under the Scheme, the insurance guarantee could cover up to 90% of the principal and interest.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 75. Consider the following about the new project "Arth Ganga":
 - It will encourage sustainable agriculture practices, including zero budget farming, planting of fruit trees and building plant nurseries on the banks of Ganga.
 - 2. Inland Waterways Authority of India is one of the important pillars of "Arth Ganga" project.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 76. Which among the following sites are recommended to be developed as Iconic Sites?
 - 1. Rakhigarhi (Haryana)
 - 2. Hastinapur (Uttar Pradesh)
 - 3. Shivsagar (Assam)
 - 4. Dholavira (Gujarat)
 - 5. Adichanallur (Tamil Nadu)

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 1, 2, 3 and 5 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
- 77. Consider the following statements with reference to Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC):
 - 1. The DICGC is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Reserve Bank of India.
 - 2. The DICGC deposit insurance covers all commercial banks and foreign banks operating in India.
 - 3. The DICGC has been permitted to increase the insurance cover for bank deposits from ₹1 lakh to ₹5 lakh.

- (a) 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 78. Dhimsa is a popular tribal dance performed in which of the following States?
 - (a) Gujarat
- (b) Assam
- (c) Tripura
- (d) Andhra Pradesh



- 79. Recently, the Supreme Court has given its ruling on reservation in promotions, consider the following statements about it:
 - 1. The Supreme Court held that reservation in promotions is the fundamental right guaranteed under Article 16 of the Indian Constitution.
 - 2. General efficiency of administration as mandated by Article 335 of the Constitution does not restrict giving reservation in promotions to the SCs and STs.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 80. Consider the following:
 - 1. Flourishing Index
 - 2. Sustainability Index
 - 3. Happiness Index

Which of the above given indexes is/are calculated with a purpose to issue 'A Future for the World's Children' report?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 81. Recently, a decision has been taken for the development of about 300 MW Solar Power Projects in Dapaong and Mango regions. These regions lie in:
 - (a) Togo
 - (b) South Korea
 - (c) North Korea
 - (d) Japan
- 82. Recently, the Munich Security Conference (MSC) concluded in Germany. Consider the following statements about it:
 - 1. MSC is one of the world's leading forums for debating global security policy.
 - 2. Munich Security Report, 2019 was released during the Conference which highlighted the phenomenon of "Westlessness".

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. Recently, Britain exited from the European Union (EU). Consider the following statements regarding it:
 - 1. EU is an economic and political union involving 27 European countries, which allows free trade and movement of people, to live and work in whichever country they choose.
 - 2. Britain joined in 1973 (when it was known as the European Economic Community) and it is the first member state to withdraw.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor
- 84. Recently, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) has given its verdict on the Rohingya crisis, consider the following statements about it:
 - 1. The Court ordered to immediately take all measures to stop atrocities against the minority Rohingya Muslim community.
 - 2. The ruling of the International Court of Justice is binding on Myanmar, and no appeal is available against it.

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
- 85. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has issued new guidelines for Commodity Future Trades, consider the following about it:
 - 1. It has prescribed floor values of initial margin and the Initial Margin Period of Risk (IMPOR) based on the categories of realised volatility.
 - 2. For the first time, it has provided options for clearing corporations to divide commodities into three broad categories, depending on realised volatility over the previous three years.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 86. Which of the following has come up with the National Strategy for Financial Inclusion 2019-24?
 - (a) NITI Ayog
 - (b) Finance Ministry
 - (c) Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs
 - (d) Reserve Bank of India



- 87. Recently, the Reserve Bank of India has revised the norms for the Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs), consider the following about it:
 - The short term investment limit has been increased from 20% to 100% of total investment of FPI in Central government securities, State development loans and corporate bonds.
 - 2. The investment limit under Voluntary Retention Route has also been increased to ₹1,50,000 crore with a minimum retention period of three years.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 88. Recently, a term 'Darknet' was in news, consider the following statements about it:
 - 1. It refers to the deep hidden internet platform that is used for narcotics sale, exchange of pornographic content and other illegal activities.
 - 2. It uses the secret alleys of The Onion Router (ToR) with end-to-end encryption to stay away from the surveillance of law enforcement agencies.

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
- 89. Where is Danakil depression located?
 - (a) Kenya
- (b) Ethiopia
- (c) Nigeria
- (d) Ghana
- 90. The first-ever Khelo India University Games took place in which of the States?
 - (a) Odisha
- (b) Madhya Pradesh
- (c) Gujrat
- (d) Haryana
- 91. Recently, an International Summit on Women in STEM "Visualizing the Future: New Skylines" was organised, consider the following statements about it:
 - 1. It has been organised by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India.
 - 2. The Summit was organized with the overall aim to boost the participation of women in the STEM field for development of scientific career.

Which of the statements given is/are correct?

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

- 92. Recently, Kumbhabhishekam ceremony was held, consider the following about it:
 - 1. As per the customs of Hinduism, 'Kumbhabhishekam' happens once in 12 years.
 - 2. The temple ritual of Kumbhabhishekam ceremony was performed in Tamil language only.

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. RapidGen was in news recently, which comprises:
 - 1. Testbed optimisation chambers
 - 2. Lighting controlled greenhouse bays
 - 3. Temperature-regulated light deprivation polyhouse

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 94. Recently, Loktak Lake is alleged to be choked, consider the following about the lake:
 - 1. It is the largest salt water lake in North-East India.
 - 2. It is called the only 'Floating Island Lake' in the world due to the floating Phundis on it.
 - 3. It was designated a wetland of international importance under Ramsar Convention in 1990.

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
- 95. Recently, the Supreme Court gave its nod to the centre's Cheetah reintroduction project from Africa to Indian forests. IUCN has classified Cheetah in the category of:
 - (a) Near Threatened
- (b) Vulnerable
- (c) Extinct
- (d) Endangered
- 96. The Kerala government has opposed a proposal of providing an alternative route of National Highways 766, which is proposed to pass through:
 - 1. Nagarhole Tiger Reserve (Karnataka)
 - 2. Tholpetty Wildlife Sanctuary (Kerala)
 - 3. Bandipur Tiger Reserve (Karnataka)

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

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- 97. Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary was in news recently, it is located in:
 - (a) Kerala
- (b) Karnataka
- (c) Tamil Nadu
- (d) Odisha
- 98. Biorock technology, recently seen in news, is related to:
 - (a) Determination of the age of Fossil fuels
 - (b) Restoration of Coral Reefs
 - (c) Breaking down environmental pollution
 - (d) Carbon sequestration

- 99. Theyyam, a ritual dance form, which embodies myth, drama, music, art and architecture, is performed in:
 - (a) Kerala
- (b) Karnataka
- (c) Tamil Nadu
- (d) Maharashtra
- 100. Palermo Convention is associated with:
 - (a) UN Convention to Combat Desertification
 - (b) UN Convention against Transnational Organised Crime
 - (c) UN Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substance
 - (d) None of these



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