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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.
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- 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:
  - 1. Mission Karmayogi is a pre-recruitment reform programme.
  - 2. It seeks to extend working hours for civil servants.
  - 3. It will be governed by the Prime Minister's Human Resource Council.
  - 4. This Council shall comprise central ministers only.

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 2. e-Gopala App, sometimes seen in the news, is
  - (a) A financial app which provides credit to farmers for dairy units.
  - (b) An app by ISKCON that provides spiritual knowledge about Lord Krishna.
  - (c) A comprehensive breed improvement marketplace and information portal.
  - (d) None of the above.
- 3. Consider the following pairs:

#### Column I

Column II

- 1. European Union
- My Health Record
- 2. United Kingdom
- Open Banking Data Sharing Framework
- 3. Australia

General Data Protection

Regulation (GDPR)

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

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 4. Consider the following events:
  - 1. Shankari Prasad case
  - 2. Golaknath case
  - 3. Kesavananda Bharati case
  - 4. Minerva Mills case

Which of the following is the correct chronological sequence of the above given events?

- (a) 4-3-2-1
- (b) 2-3-4-1
- (c) 3-4-1-2
- (d) 1-2-3-4

- 5. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. State Election Commissions conduct elections to State Assemblies and the Legislative Councils.
  - 2. Election Commission of India (ECI) supervises municipal and panchayat elections.
  - 3. Articles 243K and 243ZA deal with elections to panchayats and municipalities in the states.
  - 4. Election to the offices of the President and Vice-President of India is supervised by ECI.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 6. With reference to Voice Vote, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It involves the speaker putting a question to the house and then asking the house to put forward its opinion in the forms of ayes (yes) or noes (no).
  - 2. It is a written vote.
  - 3. It takes longer time to complete.
  - 4. It is highly accurate.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 4 and 3 only
- 7. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. No-Confidence Motion against Deputy Chairman can lead to resignation of Council of Ministers.
  - 2. Article 75 specifies that Council of Ministers shall be responsible to the House of States.
  - 3. Article 90 provides the procedure for removal of the Deputy Chairman.
  - 4. A resolution seeking his removal can be moved without giving any advance notice.

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



- 8. With reference the Parliamentary Committee, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is appointed or elected by the House or nominated by the Speaker/Chairman.
  - 2. It works autonomously.
  - 3. It submits its report to the President of India.
  - 4. It has a secretariat provided by the Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha.

- (a) 1 and 4 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
- 9. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Article 22 (Protection of interests of minorities) gives all citizens right to conserve their language and prohibits discrimination on the basis of language.
  - 2. Part XVI of the Indian Constitution deals with the official languages in Articles 343 to 351.
  - 3. Article 350A facilities for instruction in mother-tongue at primary stage.
  - 4. Article 351 (Directive for development of the Hindi language) provides that it shall be the duty of the respective State to promote the spread of the Hindi language.

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, 3 and 4
- 10. With reference to MSMEs, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It contributes more than 10% in the GDP.
  - 2. It contributes less than 20% of India's exports.

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
- 11. Consider the following statements:
  - The 72<sup>nd</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act, 1992 mandates 33.3% reservation for women in Panchayati Raj Institutions across the country.
  - 2. Since 1992, this limit has never been breached.
  - 3. Article 243D provides for reservation of seats for the depressed classes.

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) None of the above

- 12. Regarding hate speech, consider the following statements:
  - 1. There is no international legal definition of hate speech.
  - 2. Generally, hate speech refers to utterances that incite violence, hatred, or discrimination against people on the basis of their collective identity.
  - 3. In India, there are no legal provisions to deal with hate speech.

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
- 13. Regarding the Ecological Preservation and Control Authority (EPCA), consider the following statements:
  - 1. EPCA was constituted under Section 3 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986.
  - 2. It has an all-India jurisdiction.
  - 3. It has the power to take action suo-moto, or on the basis of complaints made by any individual, representative body or organization functioning in the field of environment.

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

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only
- (d) 2 only
- 14. With reference to stubble burning, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is a traditional practice in Punjab and Haryana to clean off the rice chaff to prepare the fields for winter sowing.
  - 2. It begins around October and peaks in November.
  - 3. It coincides with the onset of southwest monsoon.
  - 4. The pollutants and the Particulate Matter (PM) from the chaff alone makes winter air quality worse in Delhi and proximity.

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



- 15. Which one of the following best describes Net Neutrality?
  - (a) It refers to practise of being neutral in accounting balance sheets.
  - (b) It refers to the Internet sites being neutral to all viewpoints.
  - (c) It refers to the access to all contents and applications regardless of the source, and without favouring or blocking particular products or websites.
  - (d) It refers to the practise of Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to charge users for accessing content beyond their geographical location.
- 16. With reference to Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP), consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is an attached office of the Ministry of Rural Development.
  - 2. It is a constitutional body that submits separate reports recommending prices for Kharif and Rabi seasons.
  - 3. Presently, the Commission comprises a Chairman, Member Secretary, one Member (Official) and two Members (Non-Official).
  - 4. It is mandated to recommend Minimum Support Prices (MSPs).

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 3 and 4 only
- 17. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The eight-core sector industries include coal, crude oil, natural gas, refinery products, fertiliser, steel, cement, and electricity.
  - 2. These comprise more than 50% of the weight of items included in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP).
  - 3. The output of eight core infrastructure sectors dropped by 9.6% in July 2020.
  - 4. The eight core Industries in decreasing order of their weightage are Refinery Products > Electricity > Steel > Coal > Crude Oil > Natural Gas > Cement > Fertilizers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 18. Among the following which is/are the causes of GDP contraction?
  - 1. Rise in private consumption.
  - 2. Fall in investment by private sector businesses.
  - 3. Rise in expenditure of individual consumers.

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
- 19. Consider the following statements in reference to Operation Breathing Space:
  - 1. It is a joint initiative of India and Israel.
  - 2. It aims to send manned mission to Mars.

Which of the above given statements 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 Singapore Convention:
  - 1. It provides for a more effective way of enforcing mediated settlements of corporate disputes, involving businesses, among the signatories.
  - 2. India is not a signatory to the Convention.

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. Regarding the Enhanced Access and Service Excellence (EASE) Reform Index, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It was authored by the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision.
  - 2. It is aimed at institutionalising clean and smart banking.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 22. Consider the following statements regarding Ranking of States on Support to Startup Ecosystems:
  - 1. It is released by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (Ministry of Commerce & Industry).
  - 2. Maharashtra was the best performer in Category X. 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 Capital Gain Tax, consider the following statements:
  - Long-term Capital Gains Tax applies to assets held for a year or less and is taxed as ordinary income.
  - 2. Short-term Capital Gains Tax is a levy on the profits from the sale of assets held for more than a year.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 24. Consider the following statements regarding Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI):
  - 1. It is a statutory body established under an Act of Parliament.
  - It is the principal financial institution for promotion, financing and development of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) sector.

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 are not the pillars of the Export Preparedness Index?
  - (a) Export Ecosystem
- (b) Foreign Investment
- (c) Business Ecosystem
- (d) Export Performance
- 26. With reference to FDI, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is an investment made by a firm or individual in one country into business interests located in another country.
  - 2. It is similar to Foreign Portfolio Investment.

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. With reference to GST Council, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is a constitutional body.
  - 2. It is considered as an unitary body as states are not allowed to participate.

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

- 28. Which of the following statements is/are correct about Social Security Code Bill, 2020?
  - It seeks to universalise social security coverage by including those working in the unorganised sector.
  - The minimum number of employees in an establishment has been fixed to 50 or more for seeking benefits of pension and medical insurance.

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
- 29. With reference to Infrastructure Investment Trust(s) (InvIT), consider the following statements:
  - 1. They are regulated by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).
  - 2. They are not listed on exchanges like stocks.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 30. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Only designated farmers can undertake cultivation and business in bamboo and its products without the need of a felling and transit permission.
  - 2. The Indian Forest Act 1927 was amended in 2017 to remove bamboo for the category of trees.

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
- 31. With reference to Methane Hydrate, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It occurs naturally as subsurface deposits.
  - 2. It mainly includes methane along with small amounts of propane hydrate and ethane hydrate.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 32. Which of the following countries are part of Indo-Pacific Trilateral Dialogue?
  - (a) United States of America
  - (b) Japan
  - (c) France
  - (d) Germany



- 33. Consider the following statements about 'Quadrilateral Security Dialogue':
  - 1. It is an informal strategic forum.
  - 2. Both India and China are members of the forum.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) None of the Above
- 34. Consider the following statements about the Rome Statute:
  - 1. India is one of the signatories to the Statute.
  - 2. Recently, the United States of America ratified the Statute.

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. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Krishna-Godavari Basin (KG Basin) is formed in the state of Telangana.
  - 2. KG Basin is known for the D-6 block with the biggest natural gas reserves in India.
  - 3. It is home to the Olive Ridley Sea Turtle.

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
- 36. Consider the following statements about 'Abraham Accord':
  - 1. It is the second Arab-Israeli peace deal.
  - 2. It is signed between Israel, the United Arab Emirates and the United States of America.

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
- 37. 'Human Capital Index' report is released by
  - (a) World Economic Forum
  - (b) Asian Development Bank
  - (c) World Bank
  - (d) International Monetary Fund

- 38. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding India-Japan trade relationship?
  - 1. Japan is the second largest investor in India.
  - 2. Imports from Japan into India have significantly increased.

Select the correct answer using the given code below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 39. Consider the following statements:
  - Long-term exposure to arsenic from drinkingwater and food can cause cancer, skin disease, cardiovascular disease and diabetes.
  - 2. According to the World Health Organisation (WHO) the permissible limit of Arsenic in groundwater is 0.05 mg per litre.

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 about Phosphine gas:
  - 1. It can be produced only naturally by some species of anaerobic bacteria/organisms.
  - 2. It is non toxic in nature to human beings.

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. Which one of the following best describes Biosignatures?
  - (a) It refers to indirect signs of life
  - (b) It refers to biological data used in Aadhar.
  - (c) It refers to biological data carried forward to the next generation.
  - (d) It refers to the process of identifying individuals through genetic analysis.
- 42. Consider the following statements about Wolbachia bacteria:
  - 1. It is naturally found in the Aedes aegypti mosquito.
  - 2. It is not safe for humans and animals.

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



- 43. With reference to India based Neutrino Observatory (INO), consider the following statements:
  - 1. It will be setup in Kerala.
  - 2. It is funded by ISRO.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 44. With reference to Neutrinos, consider the following statements:
  - 1. They are rarely found.
  - 2. They are subatomic fundamental particles, with no charge and little or zero mass.
  - 3. They are created by various radioactive decay.
  - 4. They cannot pass through the human body.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1 and 4 only
- 45. With reference to Cyanobacteria, consider the following statements:
  - 1. They are multi-celled organisms which live in fresh, brackish, and marine water.
  - 2. These organisms do not use sunlight to make their own food.

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. African elephant is the largest animal on Earth.
  - 2. They are listed as vulnerable in the IUCN Red List.
  - 3. World Elephant Day is celebrated on 12<sup>th</sup> June every year.

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
- 47. Which one of the following best describes Asteroids?
  - (a) They are rocks revolving around the Moon.
  - (b) They are rocky remnants left over from the early formation of our solar system
  - (c) They are remains of artificial satellites.
  - (d) None of the above.

- 48. Consider the following statements:
  - Bradykinin is a compound that is related to pain sensation and lowering blood pressure in the human body.
  - 2. Bradykinin storm causes the blood vessels to expand and become leaky, leading to swelling of the surrounding tissue.

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 pairs:

<b>Painting Styles</b>	States
1. Pattachitra	Odisha
2. Kishangarh	Rajasthan
3. Warli	Tamil Nadu

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
- 50. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The word Rogan means "Oil" in Persian.
  - 2. Hand painting on cloth is known as Rogan art.
  - 3. It is widely practised in the state of Gujarat.
  - 4. The 'Tree of Life' design is the most famous design in Rogan painting.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

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51. Consider the following pairs:

# Traditional Theaters States 1. Bhand Pather Kashmir 2. Maach Andhra Pradesh 3. Jatra Bengal

Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

(a) 1 and 3 only

4. Therukoothu

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



- 52. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. 75 tribal groups have been categorized by the Ministry of Home Affairs as PVTGs.
  - 2. The Ministry of Home Affairs implements the Scheme of 'Development of PVTGs' exclusively for them.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 53. With reference to Great Andamanese tribe, consider the following statements:
  - 1. Great Andamanese are the only PVTGs that reside in Andaman archipelago.
  - 2. The members speak Jera dialect among themselves.
  - 3. Their number stands at 51 as per the last study carried out by Andaman Adim Janjati Vikas Samiti in 2012.

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
- 54. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. 'Household Social Consumption: Education in India' has been released by the National Statistical Office (NSO).
  - 2. It provides for state-wise detail of literacy rate among the persons aged eleven years and above.
  - 3. Kerala was the best performer.
  - 4. Andhra Pradesh was the worst performer.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 2 and 4 only
- 55. Adi Granth, the holy book of Sikhs was compiled by:
  - (a) Guru Arjan Dev
  - (b) Guru Hargobind
  - (c) Guru Nanak
  - (d) Guru Teg Bahadur
- 56. "Health in India" is published by which of the following?
  - (a) Department of Economic Affairs
  - (b) National Medical Commission
  - (c) All India Institute Of Medical Sciences
  - (d) National Statistical Organisation

- 57. With reference to full immunisation, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It means that a child receives a cocktail of eight vaccine doses in the first year of life.
  - 2. It includes BCG Vaccine, Measles Vaccine and Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV).

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. Sonamura-Daudkandi inland waterway route is between:
  - (a) India and Myanmar
  - (b) India and Bangladesh
  - (c) India and Nepal
  - (d) India and Bhutan
- 59. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Article 16 (4) provides for the reservation of appointments or posts and in matters of promotion in favour of any backward class of citizens.
  - 2. As per the Articles 341(1) and 342(1), the President of India can independently specify, the castes, races, tribes or parts of groups within castes or races, which shall be deemed to be Scheduled Castes and Scheduled tribes.

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
- 60. Consider the following statements:
  - Article 41 of the Indian Constitution provides for securing right to work, to education and to public assistance in cases of unemployment, old age, sickness and disablement, within the limits of its economic capacity and development.
  - 2. The subject of 'relief of the disabled and unemployable' is specified in the Union list of the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

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(d) Neither 1 nor 2



- 61. With reference to Project Dolphin, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is aimed at saving river dolphins only.
  - 2. Gangetic dolphins are listed in Schedule I of Wildlife (Protection), Act 1972.
  - 3. National Ganga River Dolphin Day is observed on 5<sup>th</sup> October every year.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) None of the above
- 62. Consider the following statements:
  - Hypersonic Technology Demonstrator Vehicle (HSTDV) is a manned scramjet demonstration aircraft that can travel at hypersonic speed.
  - 2. It uses air-breathing scramjet technology.
  - 3. India became the fourth country to have demonstrated this technology after the USA, Russia and China.

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
- 63. With reference to Yanomami tribe, consider the following statements:
  - 1. They live in the rainforests and mountains of northern Brazil and southern Venezuela.
  - 2. They live in large, rectangular houses called Yanos, some of which can hold up to 400 people.

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
- 64. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Kiran is a 24/7 toll-free helpline to provide support to people facing anxiety, stress, depression, suicidal thoughts and other mental health concerns.
  - 2. It is launched by the Ministry of health and Family Welfare.

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:
  - 1. International Day of Clean Air For Blue Skies is observed on 7<sup>th</sup> September every year.
  - 2. The United Nations General Assembly adopted a resolution to observe this day.

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 of the following are included in the parameter to determine Air Quality Index (AQI)?
  - 1. Ground-level ozone
  - 2. Particulate Matter (PM) 10
  - 3. PM 2.5
  - 4. Carbon monoxide
  - 5. Sulfur dioxide
  - 6. Nitrogen dioxide
  - 7. Ammonia
  - 8. Lead

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
- (b) 2, 3, 4 and 5
- (c) 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8
- (d) All of the Above
- 67. Which one of the following best describes/defines Real Mango?
  - (a) It is a renowned mango specie of Latin America.
  - (b) It is an international NBFC operating in India.
  - (c) It is an illegal software used to corner confirmed railway tickets.
  - (d) It is a GI tagged species of Mango from Bangladesh.
- 68. Who among the following has been conferred the Indira Gandhi Peace Prize 2019?
  - (a) Centre of Science and Environment
  - (b) David Attenborough
  - (c) Justin Trudeau
  - (d) Jacinda Arden



- 69. Consider the following statements:
  - Ease of Doing Business Rankings in India is a
    joint initiative by the Department for Promotion
    of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) and the
    World Bank to improve the overall business
    environment in the States.
  - 2. Telangana has topped the ranking followed by Uttar Pradesh.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 70. With reference to Global Innovation Index 2020, consider the following statements:
  - 1. India is at the 48<sup>th</sup> position in the list of top 50 innovative countries.
  - 2. India has become the third most innovative upper middle-income economy in the world.
  - 3. It is released by the World Bank.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 1,2 and 3
- 71. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Every year, 14th September is celebrated as Hindi Diwas in India.
  - 2. Hindi is the third most spoken language among the total languages spoken in the world.
  - 3. Hindi is not an Eighth schedule language.

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

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) None of the Above
- 72. With reference to Sloth Bears consider the following statements:
  - 1. They are not found in India.
  - 2. They are listed as Vulnerable in the IUCN Red List.
  - 3. They come in Appendix II of CITES listing.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) None of the above

- 73. With reference to Kavkaz 2020 consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is a strategic command-post exercise held in Indonesia.
  - 2. India has agreed to participate in the exercise.

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
- 74. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. PM's Awards for Excellence in Public Administration was constituted in 2014.
  - 2. The award is conferred on the occasion of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 75. Consider the following statements:
  - Programme Code of the Cable Television Networks Rules, 1994 is an ethical code formulated by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.
  - 2. The ethical code is against airing malicious, biased and regressive content.

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. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The System of Air Quality and Weather Forecasting and Research (SAFAR) is a national initiative introduced by the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change.
  - 2. The system is indigenously developed by the Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune and is operationalized by the India Meteorological Department (IMD).

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



- 77. With reference to India's exports consider the following statements:
  - 1. India's merchandise exports have witnessed decline from USD 275.9 billion in 2016-17 to USD 150 billion in 2019-20.
  - 2. India's exports shrank by 60% in April 2020 due to COVID-19.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 78. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. FDI in the defence sector shall be subject to scrutiny on the ground of National Security.
  - 2. Government reserves the right to review any foreign investment in the defence sector that may affect national security.

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
- 79. With reference to India's negative imports list, consider the following statements:
  - 1. The negative imports list contains a list of food products that shall not be imported.
  - 2. It is done to promote food resilience in the country.

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
- 80. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojna (PMJDY) was launched in 2015.
  - 2. Total Number of PMJDY Accounts (as on 19th August 2020) were 40.35 Crore.
  - Under this, VISA cards are provided to account holders.

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

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only
- 81. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The International Criminal Court (ICC) is located in the Hague, Switzerland.
  - 2. India is a party to ICC.

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

- 82. With reference to Human Capital index (HCI) 2020, consider the following statements:
  - 1. India is ranked at the 110<sup>th</sup> position in the HCI 2020.
  - 2. Last year India was ranked 115 out of 157 countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 83. With reference to Indus Water Treaty (IWT), consider the following statements:
  - 1. Under this, the three 'western rivers' (Indus, Jhelum and Chenab) went to Pakistan and the three 'eastern rivers' (Sutlej, Ravi and Beas) were portioned to India.
  - 2. It is an agreement between India and Pakistan with no third party.
  - 3. IWT grants 3.6 million acre-feet (MAF) of "permissible storage capacity" to India.

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

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 84. The majority of known asteroids orbit within the asteroid belt between:
  - (a) Mercury and Venus
  - (b) Mars and Jupiter
  - (c) Jupiter and Saturn
  - (d) Uranus and Neptune
- 85. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Bondas are members of a group of Mongoloid tribes.
  - 2. They are the first forest settlers in India.
  - 3. They are found in the Malkangiri district, Odisha, which shares its border with Andhra Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.

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



- 86. With reference to Tribes in Odisha, consider the following statements:
  - Out of the 62 tribal groups in Odisha, 4 are recognised as PVTGs which is the lowest in the country.
  - 2. Odisha has a population of 2.5 lakh belonging to the PVTGs.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 87. Consider the following statements:
  - In the Indra Sawhney Case, the Supreme Court held that it is illegal for the state to categorise backward classes as backward and more backward.
  - 2. In the Jarnail Singh vs Lachhmi Narain Gupta Case, Supreme Court held that the government needs to collect quantifiable data to demonstrate backwardness of public employees belonging to the SC/STs to provide reservations for them in promotions.

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
- 88. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Asur is among the 9 Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups found in Jharkhand.
  - 2. The Asurs claim to be descendants of Mahishasura, the buffalo-demon whom Goddess Durga kills after a spirited fight lasting nine nights.

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. Consider the following statements:
  - India has 36 world heritage sites, including 28 cultural properties, 7 natural properties and 1 mixed site.
  - 2. Jaipur is recognised as a UNESCO 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

- 90. Consider the following statements:
  - A hurricane is a type of storm called a tropical cyclone, which forms over tropical or subtropical waters.
  - 2. When a storm's maximum sustained winds reach 74 mph, it is called a hurricane.

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
- 91. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Mount Everest is Earth's highest mountain above sea level (8848m), located in the Himalayas between India and Nepal.
  - 2. It was first scaled in 1953 by the Indian-Nepalese Tenzing Norgay and New Zealander Edmund Hillary.

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
- 92. With reference to Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Center (IN-SPACe) consider the following statements:
  - 1. IN-SPACe is to be established as an independent single window nodal agency, with its own cadre, which will permit and oversee the activities of private companies.
  - 2. The decision of IN-SPACe shall be final and binding on all stakeholders except ISRO.
  - 3. Beside IN-SPACe approval, private players will be required to seek separate permission from ISRO.

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
- 93. With reference to Vaibhav Summit, consider the following statements:
  - 1. It is a global summit of international private and government space companies.
  - The Summit is a joint effort of various Science & Technology (S&T) and Academic organisations, including Department of S&T, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).

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



- 94. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), consider the following statements:
  - 1. It was launched in 2015.
  - Under this, the Union Government bears 90% of the project cost in respect of projects sanctioned under the scheme in North-Eastern and Himalayan States.
  - 3. While, for other states the Union Government bears 50% of the cost.

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 95. Consider the following statements:
  - Nandankanan Zoological Park is located in Karnataka.
  - 2. It is the second zoo in the country to become a member of the World Association of Zoos & Aquariums (WAZA).
  - 3. It was the world's first captive crocodile breeding centre, where gharials were bred in captivity in 1980.

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

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1,2 and 3
- 96. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Pulikali is a recreational street folk art performed on the fourth day of Onam celebrations.
  - 2. It was introduced by Maharaja Rama Varma Sakthan Thampuran of Cochin.

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

- 97. The wind named 'Santa Ana' blows in:
  - (a) French Alps
  - (b) Sahara Desert
  - (c) California, USA
  - (d) Siberia, Russia
- 98. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. The International Day of Peace is observed around the world on 21st September every year.
  - 2. Theme for 2020 was Protect the Migrants.

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
- 99. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Kakatiyas were a Tamil dynasty that flourished in the 12th century CE.
  - 2. Golconda Fort in Hyderabad (Telangana) was constructed by the Kakatiya rulers.

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
- 100. Consider the following statements regarding Samarth Scheme:
  - 1. It is implemented by the Ministry of Home
  - 2. Its objective is to boost the defense manufacturing sector in India.

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