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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.
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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:

1. It regulates the actual conduct of elections and by-elections.
2. It provides administrative machinery for conducting elections.
3. It deals with the registration of political parties.
4. It provides provisions to curb corrupt practices and other offences.

Which among the following are provisions under the Representation of Peoples Act 1951?

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

2. With reference to the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), 1967, consider the following statements:

1. Unlawful activity refers to any action taken by an individual or association intended to disrupt the territorial integrity and sovereignty of India.
2. The act assigns limited powers to the central government to deem an activity as unlawful.
3. Under UAPA, only Indian nationals can be charged.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

3. With reference to the Chief Secretary of the State, consider the following statements:

1. The Chief Secretary is chosen by the Chief Minister.
2. The Chief Secretary is the chief advisor to the Chief Minister in all matters of the cabinet.
3. The Chief Secretary has a fixed tenure of 5 years.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

4. Recently the term 'End to End Encryption' has been in news all over, it refers to:

- (a) End-to-end encryption protects the data if the device of the user or the recipient is stolen or compromised.
- (b) End-to-end encryption is a system of communication where only the communicating users can read the messages.
- (c) End-to-end encryption encourages private companies to collect data or secretly modify it.
- (d) None of the above.

5. With reference to Sedition, consider the following statements:

1. Sedition is a crime under Section 124A of Indian Penal Code (IPC).
2. A person charged for sedition is barred from a government job.
3. Punishment for sedition ranges from imprisonment up to ten years to a life term.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

6. Consider the following statements with reference to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI):

1. CBI is the nodal police agency in India which coordinates investigations on behalf of Interpol Member countries.
2. The recommendation committee to appoint the director of CBI consists of the Prime Minister as Chairperson, the leader of opposition in the Lok Sabha and the Union Home Minister.
3. The Director of CBI has been provided security for four-year tenure.

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

7. Which of the statements given is/are correct with reference to the Delimitation Commission?

1. The Delimitation Commission is appointed by the President of India.
2. Under Article 82, the Parliament enacts a Delimitation Act after every Census.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

8. With respect to Performance Grading Index (PGI), consider the following statements:

1. The PGI is a tool to provide insights on the status of teachers' performance in schools.
2. PGI is initiated by Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).
3. The PGI is structured in two categories, namely, Outcomes and Governance & Management.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

9. With reference to the Jal Shakti Abhiyan II, consider the following statements:
1. It covers only the rural areas of all districts of the country.
 2. The National Water Mission under the Ministry of Jal Shakti is the nodal agency for its implementation.
 3. The theme of the Abhiyan is 'Catch the Rain where it falls, when it falls'.
- Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) 3 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
10. Consider the following statements with reference to the 'Integrated Triservice Theatre Command'?
1. An integrated theatre command envisages a unified command of the three Services, under a single commander.
 2. The integrated theatre officer will report to the Chief of Army.
 3. Integration and jointness of the three forces will avoid duplication of resources.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
11. Which among the following are the benefits of Seaplane Services in India?
1. Boost for the tourism industry.
 2. Employment opportunities for local people.
 3. Development of new water aerodromes.
 4. Enhance seamless connectivity.
 5. Increase in the level of current social infrastructural facilities.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2, 3, 4 and 5 only
(c) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only (d) All the above
12. Consider the following statements with reference to the GST Compensation Cess:
1. The objective of levying this cess is to compensate the states for the loss of revenue arising due to the implementation of GST.
 2. Compensation cess is not levied over and above the amount of GST charged in relation to a particular supply.
- Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
13. Global Economic Prospects report is released by?
- (a) World Economic Forum
(b) International Monetary Fund
(c) World Bank
(d) Financial Action Task Force
14. Which among the following reports are released by International Energy Agency:
1. World Energy Investment Report
 2. World Energy Outlook Report
 3. Global Energy Review
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
15. Recently which country suspended retaliatory tariffs on India?
- (a) United States (b) United Kingdom
(c) China (d) South Korea
16. With reference to the Digital Services Tax (DSTs) in India, consider the following statements:
1. DSTs are the adopted taxes on revenues that certain companies generate from providing certain digital services.
 2. India imposes a 6% DST on trade and services by non-resident e-commerce operators with a turnover of over 10 crore.
 3. The idea is to tax payments made to offshore entities which do not have a physical presence in India.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
17. With respect to the Consumer Protection (E-Commerce) Rules 2020, consider the following statements:
1. The e-commerce sites are directed to ensure appointment of the Chief Compliance Officer.
 2. The e-commerce sites have to name a resident grievance officer who has to be a company employee and a citizen of India.
 3. The companies will also have to identify goods based on their country of origin.
- 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) None of the above

18. Which of the statements given are correct regarding the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)?
1. It is an autonomous organisation under the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.
 2. It is the apex body for coordinating, guiding and managing research and education in agriculture including horticulture, fisheries and animal sciences in the entire country.
 3. ICAR was established as a registered society under the Societies Registration Act, 1860.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
19. Which among the following are the benefits of Biofortification?
1. Improves human health.
 2. Higher resilience to pests, diseases.
 3. Greater reach among the poor sections.
 4. Cost effective and sustainable.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 2 and 3 only (b) 1, 2 and 3 only
(c) 2, 3 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
20. Consider the following statements with reference to the Biotech-KISAN Programme:
1. It was launched for agriculture innovation with an objective to connect science laboratories with the farmers.
 2. The programme is developed under the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology.
 3. The programme is only for the farmers of the northeast region.
- Which of the above given statement(s) is/are correct?
- (a) 3 only (b) 1 and 2 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
21. Consider the following statements:
1. Security Transaction Tax (STT) is a direct tax charged on purchase and sale of securities that are listed on the recognized stock exchanges in India.
 2. The Dividend Distribution Tax (DDT) is a type of tax that is payable on the dividends offered to its shareholders by the corporation.
- 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. Which among the following are examples of Climate Change and Agricultural Schemes:
1. Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana
 2. Green India Mission
 3. Soil Health Card
 4. Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana
 5. Sub-mission on AgroForestry
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 1, 3 and 5 only (b) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 2, 3, 4 and 5 only (d) All the above
23. With respect to the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), consider the following statements:
1. FAO is a specialized agency of the World Economic Forum (WEF) that leads international efforts to defeat hunger.
 2. FAO's sister bodies are the World Food Programme and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).
 3. The World Food Price Index is published by FAO.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
24. 'Joint statement on Multilateralism' was the outcome of which summit?
- (a) BRICS (b) ASEAN
(c) FATF (d) None of the above
25. The 'Carbis Bay Declaration' was signed by:
- (a) G7 countries
(b) G20 countries
(c) European Union
(d) Shanghai Cooperation Organisation
26. The 'Atlantic Charter' is signed between which two countries:
- (a) US and Canada (b) US and UK
(c) US and Germany (d) US and South Africa
27. Israel share its borders with which among the following countries:
1. Iraq
 2. Saudi Arabia
 3. Jordan
 4. Egypt
 5. Syria
 6. Lebanon
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 1, 3, 4 and 5 only (b) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 only
(c) 3, 4, 5 and 6 only (d) All the above

28. Which among the following are examples of India's Ecosystem Restoration initiatives:

1. National Afforestation Programme (NAP)
2. National Mission for a Green India (GIM)
3. National Biodiversity Action Plan
4. Rural Livelihood Schemes

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

29. With respect to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), consider the following statements:

1. It is a legally binding treaty to conserve biodiversity.
2. Cartagena protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing was adopted as a supplementary agreement to CBD.
3. Nagoya Protocol on Biosafety is also a supplementary agreement to CBD.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

30. The Protected Planet Report is released by:

- (a) United Nations Development Programme
- (b) United Nations Environment Programme
- (c) World Health Organisation
- (d) United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

31. With reference to the Protected Areas in India, consider the following statements:

1. Protected areas are regions or zones of land or sea which are given certain levels of protection for conservation of biodiversity and socio-environmental values.
2. Human intervention and exploitation of resources is unlimited.
3. National Parks, Wildlife Sanctuaries, Biosphere Reserves are examples of protected areas.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

32. Which among the following are consequences of Sea Level Rise?

1. Coastal Flooding
2. Destruction of Coastal Biodiversity
3. Dangerous Storm Surges

4. Lateral and Inland Migration

5. Threat to Inland Life

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

33. With reference to the ASEAN Defence Ministers Meeting Plus (ADMM-Plus), consider the following statements:

1. The first ADMM-Plus was convened at Hanoi, Vietnam.
2. Singapore is the Chair of the ADMM Plus forum for the year 2021.
3. It is an annual meeting of Defence Ministers of 10 ASEAN countries and eight dialogue partner countries.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

34. Net Zero by 2050 Roadmap was released by:

- (a) International Energy Agency
- (b) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
- (c) United Nations Environment Programme
- (d) Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change

35. Which among the following are the benefits of Coral Reefs?

1. Protect coastlines from storms and erosion, provide jobs for local communities.
2. A source of food and new medicines.
3. Provide habitats for fishes, starfish and sea anemones.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

36. Consider the following:

1. Mukundra Hills Tiger Reserve
2. Ramgarh Vishdhari Wildlife Sanctuary

The above given Tiger Reserves are situated in which state of India?

- (a) Rajasthan (b) Madhya Pradesh
(c) Chhattisgarh (d) Jharkhand

37. This Sanctuary is located at a distance of 45 Km from Bundi City in Rajasthan. Its flora consists of Dhok, Khair and Salar. The fauna consists of birds and animals like Leopard, Sambhar, Wild Boar, Chinkara and Sloth Bear. Recently, this wildlife sanctuary received a nod from the National Tiger Conservation Authority's (NTCA) technical committee to become the 4th Tiger reserve of Rajasthan.

The above given paragraph talks about which wildlife sanctuary?

- (a) Mount Abu Wildlife Sanctuary
- (b) Ramgarh Vishdhari Wildlife Sanctuary
- (c) Kailadevi Wildlife Sanctuary
- (d) None of the above

38. With reference to the Tropical Cyclones, consider the following statements:

1. Tropical cyclone is an intense circular storm that originates over warm tropical oceans.
2. A characteristic feature of tropical cyclones is the eye, a central region of clear skies, warm temperatures, and low atmospheric pressure.
3. Tropical cyclones rotate clockwise in the northern hemisphere and counterclockwise in the southern hemisphere.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

39. Which among the following factors affects the formation of the South-West Monsoon?

1. Differential heating and cooling of land and water.
2. Shifting of the position of Inter Tropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) in winters over the Ganga plain.
3. The Tibetan plateau gets intensely heated during summer.
4. The movement of the westerly jet stream to the north of the Himalayas and the presence of the tropical easterly jet stream over the Indian peninsula during summer.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

40. Consider the following statements:

1. The reason behind the changing lengths of the days is the Earth's tilt.

2. The Earth's axis of rotation is tilted at an angle of 23.5° to its orbital plane.

3. The tilt is not responsible for the different seasons on Earth.

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

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

41. With reference to the 'Van Gujjars', consider the following statements:

1. Van Gujjars are the forest-dwelling nomadic community.
2. They inhabit the foothills of Himalayan States such as Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh and Jammu and Kashmir.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

42. With reference to the National Parks, consider the following statements:

1. A National Park is notified by the local government.
2. No human activity is permitted inside the national park except for the ones permitted by the Chief Wildlife Warden of the state.
3. National Parks are constituted under the Biological Diversity Act 2002.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

43. With respect to the Dehing Patkai National Park, consider the following statements:

1. It is located in Arunachal Pradesh.
2. The Dehing Patkai Wildlife Sanctuary is also known as the Jeypore Rainforest.
3. It is the only sanctuary in India which is home to seven different species of wild cats.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

44. With reference to the Deep Ocean Mission (DOM), consider the following statements:

1. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change is the nodal agency for DOM.
2. It will be a mission mode project to support the Blue Economy Initiatives of the Government of India.
3. DOM aims to explore the deep ocean for resources and develop deep-sea technologies for sustainable use of ocean resources.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are **not** correct?

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

45. Recently, 'Gain of Function Research' was in the news in context of:

- (a) Space Research (b) Coronavirus
(c) Deep Ocean Research (d) None of the above

46. Consider the following statements with respect to the Ebola Virus:

1. Fruit bats of the Pteropodidae family are natural Ebola virus hosts.
2. Ebola spreads only through human to human transmission.
3. The Ervebo vaccine is effective against Ebola.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

47. With reference to the Nipah Virus, consider the following statements:

1. It is a zoonotic virus.
2. The disease spreads through pigs.
3. Currently, there are vaccines for both humans and animals to combat this disease.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

48. 'Corbevax' COVID-19 vaccine belongs to which country:

- (a) India (b) US
(c) UK (d) Israel

49. Which of the statements are correct with respect to the Genetic Engineering Appraisal Committee (GEAC)?

1. The GEAC functions under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
2. The GEAC is chaired by the Prime Minister.
3. It is responsible for the appraisal of activities involving large-scale use of hazardous microorganisms and recombinants in research and industrial production from the environmental angle.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

50. Consider the following statements regarding the Sickle Cell Disease (SCD):

1. It is an inherited blood disease.
2. The Unmukt Project by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs is associated with SCD.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

51. With reference to the Humayun's Tomb, consider the following statements:

1. It is a blend of Indian, Persian and Turkish architectural styles.
2. It is made up of red sandstone and white marble.
3. It is an example of the charbagh architecture with pools joined by channels.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

52. Consider the following statements regarding India's position in iron ore mining and export:

1. Iron ore constitutes more than 71% of the total value of metallic minerals mined in the country.
2. Iron ore with Fe content of more than 58% attracts an export duty of 30% in India.
3. Iron ore pellets of any grade are subject to export duty.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

53. With reference to the International Buddhist Confederation (IBC), consider the following statements:
1. The IBC is the smallest religious Buddhist Confederation.
 2. The purpose of this body is to create a role for Buddhism on the global stage so as to help to preserve heritage, share knowledge, and promote values.
 3. Its headquarters is situated in Thailand.
- Which of the statement(s) given above is/are **not** correct?
- (a) 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) 2 and 3 only
54. Consider the following pairs:
- | List-I | List-II |
|----------------------|--|
| 1. Sutta Pitaka | Rules applicable to monastic life |
| 2. Vinay Pitaka | Main teaching or Dhamma of Buddha |
| 3. Abhidhamma Pitaka | Philosophical analysis of the teaching |
- Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- (a) 3 only (b) 1 and 2 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
55. He founded a secret society called Abhinav Bharat Society. He went to the United Kingdom and was involved with organizations such as India House and the Free India Society. He was the President of Hindu Mahasabha from 1937 to 1943.
- The above given paragraph refers to which personality?
- (a) Ganesh Damodar Savarkar
(b) Lala Lajpat Rai
(c) Madan Mohan Malviya
(d) Vinayak Damodar Savarkar
56. Consider the following statements regarding the Shivaji's administration:
1. Shivaji abolished the Ryotwari System and replaced it with the Jagirdari System.
 2. The King was the supreme head of state who was assisted by a group of eight ministers known as the Ashtadiggajas.
- Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
57. Ram Prasad Bismil was associated with which among the following:
1. Hindustan Republican Association (HRA)
 2. Kakori Conspiracy Case
 3. Mainpuri Conspiracy
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
58. Recently in news, the SAGE Portal is associated with:
- (a) It is a new portal for loan application submission for MSMEs to the Government of India.
 - (b) It deals with the complaints of sexual harassment with women at work place.
 - (c) It is a one-stop access of elderly care products and services by credible start-ups.
 - (d) None of the above
59. Consider the following statements regarding Silver Economy:
1. The silver economy is analyzed in the field of social gerontology with a needs-oriented economic system for an aging population.
 2. It refers to a municipal bond as a debt security issued by a state or municipality to finance its capital expenditures.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only
(c) 1 only (d) None of the above
60. Which among the following initiatives are related to disabled persons:
1. Right of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016
 2. Accessible India Campaign
 3. Unique Disability Identification (UDID) Portal
 4. DeenDayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 2 and 3 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 1, 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
61. The London Declaration 2012 is associated with:
- (a) Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs)
 - (b) Prevention of Road Accidents
 - (c) Refugees and Migrants
 - (d) Good Governance

62. India conducts joint exercises, Vajra Prahar and Cope India with which country?

- (a) Russia (b) US
(c) UK (d) Indonesia

63. With respect to the Black Softshell Turtle, consider the following statements:

1. They are saltwater species.
2. IUCN Red List status is vulnerable.
3. No legal protection has been given under the Wildlife Protection Act 1972.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

64. The Global Liveability Index is released by:

- (a) World Bank
(b) World Economic Forum
(c) Economist Intelligence Unit
(d) Greenpeace International

65. Which country holds the BRICS 2021 Chairship?

- (a) Brazil (b) India
(c) Russia (d) China

66. Consider the following:

1. Sale of goods that were produced outside domestic borders
2. Sale of used goods
3. Intermediate goods

Which among the above given transactions do **not** get counted in GDP?

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

67. Consider the following pairs:

List-I	List II
1. Primary Sector	Agriculture, Dairy, Fishing, Forestry, Mining
2. Secondary Sector	Manufacturing Industries
3. Tertiary Sector	Transport, Storage, Communication, Banking, Trade

Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

68. Consider the following pairs:

List-I	List-II
1. Socialist Economy	Assigns absolute role to state in running the economy
2. Communist Economy	Assigns large role to state in running the economy
3. Mixed Economy	Both capitalism and socialism coexist

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

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

69. Which among the following comes under Capital Account?

1. External Commercial Borrowings
2. Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)
3. Government Aid
4. Remittances

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

70. With reference to the Participatory Notes (P-Notes), consider the following statements:

1. It is offshore derivative instruments that are used by foreign investors for making investments in domestic stock markets.
2. Entities investing in participatory notes are required to register with SEBI.
3. Trading through participatory notes is difficult by transferable endorsement and delivery.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

71. Consider the following statements:

1. Current account is fully convertible in India.
2. Capital account is partially convertible in India.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

72. India's Foreign Exchange Reserves (Forex) comprises which among the following?

1. Foreign Currency Assets
2. Gold reserves
3. Special Drawing Rights
4. Reserve position with the International Monetary Fund

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

73. Consider the following statements:

1. Bank rate is a rate at which RBI lends money to domestic banks in the form of very long term loans.
2. Open Market Operation (OMO) is the purchase or sale of short term and long term securities by the RBI.
3. Repo Rate is the rate at which the central bank lends money to commercial banks.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

74. Consider the following features regarding the Non Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs)?

1. They do not provide cheque facility to its depositors.
2. They accept demand deposits.
3. They do not provide deposit insurance facilities.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

75. Consider the following statements:

1. Headline inflation is a measure of the total inflation within an economy, including commodities such as food and energy prices which tend to be much more volatile and prone to inflationary spikes.
2. Core inflation is the change in the costs of goods and services but does not include those from the food and energy sectors.

Which of the statement(s) 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 with respect to Consumer Price Index (CPI) and Wholesale Price Index (WPI):

1. The changes in the price level at the retail and wholesale level are tracked by both price indices, CPI and WPI.
2. The base year for both CPI and WPI is 2011-12.
3. Both CPI and WPI are compiled by the Labour Bureau in the Ministry of Labour and Employment.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

77. Consider the following statements regarding Indirect Taxes:

1. It gives the government direct control over people's spending.
2. Indirect taxes are progressive; as a proportion of income they fall more heavily on the rich.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

78. With respect to the Goods and Services Tax Council (GST Council), consider the following statements:

1. The chairperson of the GST Council is the Union Finance Minister.
2. It is considered as a federal body where both the Centre and the States get due representation.
3. It is a Statutory Body.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/ are **not** correct?

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

79. Consider the following statements with respect to the recommendations made by the 15th Finance Commission:

1. The share of states in the centre's taxes is recommended to be increased from 42% during the 2015-20 period to 43% for 2020-21.
2. It recommended setting up National and State Disaster Management Funds (NDMF and SDMF) for the promotion of local-level mitigation activities.
3. For horizontal devolution, it has suggested the highest 45% weightage to demographic performance.

Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

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

80. Which curve gives graphical representation between tax rate and amount of tax revenue collected by a government?
- (a) Lorenz Curve (b) Kuznets Curve
(c) Laffer Curve (d) Phillips Curve
81. The Alagh Committee is associated with:
- (a) Unemployment (b) Poverty
(c) Tax Rate (d) None of the above
82. Consider the following statements:
1. Disguised Unemployment is a situation in which more people are working than actually required.
 2. Frictional Unemployment is a temporary joblessness during the period of shifting from one job to another.
 3. Structural Unemployment arises due to changes in the economic structure of a country.
- Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
83. Consider the following statements:
1. Revenue Deficit is excess of government's revenue expenditure over government's revenue receipts.
 2. Fiscal Deficit is the difference between the government's total expenditure and its total receipts excluding borrowing.
- Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
84. Which of the following measures are used to calculate Human Development Index (HDI)?
1. Life Expectancy Index
 2. Mean Years of Schooling Index
 3. Expected Years of Schooling Index
 4. Income Index
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 2 and 3 only (b) 1, 2 and 3 only
(c) 2, 3 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
85. With reference to Gini Coefficient, consider the following statements:
1. Gini coefficient is a statistical measure of degree of income inequality.
 2. The coefficient ranges from 0 to 1, with 0 representing perfect inequality and 1 representing perfect equality.
 3. The Gini index is often represented graphically through the Phillips curve.
- Which of the statements given above are **not** correct?
- (b) 1 and 2 only (b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
86. Consider the following statements with reference to the Special Drawing Rights (SDR):
1. SDR is the official currency of the International Monetary Fund (IMF).
 2. The value of the SDR is based on a basket of five major currencies – the U.S. Dollar, Euro, the Chinese Renminbi (RMB), the Japanese Yen, and Pound Sterling.
- Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
87. The 'Remittance Report' is published by:
- (a) World Bank
(b) International Monetary Fund
(c) World Economic Forum
(d) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
88. 'Fortaleza Declaration' is associated with:
- (a) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)
(b) Asian Development Bank (ADB)
(c) New Development Bank (NDB)
(d) World Bank
89. With reference to the Asian Development Bank (ADB), consider the following statements:
1. It was established in Manila (Philippines) in 1967.
 2. It provides loans, technical assistance and grants to member countries.
 3. India is the largest grants receiver from ADB followed by China.
 4. Japan and China have the highest shareholding in ADB.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 4 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 only

90. Which among the following best describes Countervailing Duty?

- (a) It is a duty imposed on imported goods to counterbalance subsidies provided by the exporter country.
- (b) It is a protectionist tariff that a domestic government imposes on foreign imports that it believes are priced below fair market value.
- (c) It is a duty imposed to safeguard the interest of local domestic industries of India.
- (d) None of the above

91. Consider the following pairs:

List-I

List-II

- 1. Green Box : Subsidies that do not distort trade.
- 2. Amber Box : Domestic support measures that distort production and trade.
- 3. Blue Box : Domestic support measures that require farmers to limit.

Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

92. Consider the following statements regarding Indian mineral sector:

- 1. The minerals contribute only 5% to the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP).
- 2. The share of coal and lignite in the GDP is maximum 2%.

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. 'Operation Pangea' XIV is related to:

- (a) The sale of fake medicines and products online.
- (b) The sale of illegal arms and ammunition.
- (c) The sale of fake currency.
- (d) None of the above

94. Consider the following statements with reference to the World Oceans Day:

- 1. The theme of the World Oceans Day 2020 was 'Innovation for a Sustainable Ocean'.
- 2. World Oceans Day is celebrated every year on 8th June.
- 3. The Day was designated by the United Nations General Assembly in 2009.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

95. Consider the following pairs:

Exercise

Participating Countries

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| 1. INDRA | India and Russia |
| 2. Naseem-Al-Bahr | India and Saudi Arabia |
| 3. Samudra Shakti | India and Bangladesh |

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

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

96. Consider the following pairs:

Buddhist Council

Venue

- | | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| 1. First Buddhist Council | Vaishali |
| 2. Second Buddhist Council | Rajgriha |
| 3. Third Buddhist Council | Patliputra |
| 4. Fourth Buddhist Council | Kashmir |

Which of the pairs given above are *not* correctly matched?

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

97. Which among the following are consequences of Sea Level Rise (SLR)?

- 1. Coastal Flooding
- 2. Destruction of Coastal Biodiversity
- 3. Dangerous Storm Surges
- 4. Lateral and Inland Migration

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

98. Which of the following treaties prevent Nuclear Proliferation and Testing?

- 1. Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT)
- 2. Partial Test Ban Treaty (PTBT)
- 3. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT)
- 4. Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW)

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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



99. Which of the following initiatives are taken by the Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO)?

1. Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems (GIAHS).
2. The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture.
3. Sanitary and phytosanitary (SPS) measures.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

100. Consider the following statements regarding G7 Summit, 2021:

1. India, Australia and South Korea were invited as guest countries.
2. This year's summit was hosted by the UK.
3. The last G-7 summit was held in the US in 2019.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

