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1. With reference to 'Agreement on Prohibition of Attacks against Nuclear Installations and Facilities', consider the following statements:

1. The agreement has been signed between India and China.
2. According to this agreement, two countries have to inform each other of the nuclear facilities.
3. Only nuclear power and research reactor installations are covered under this agreement.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

2. Consider the following statements about Indo-Israel Relations:

1. India is Israel's largest trade partner in Asia and seventh largest globally.
2. Operation Breathing Space was conducted by Israel to work with Indian authorities on the Covid-19 response.
3. The Indian armed forces have inducted the Phalcon AWACS (airborne warning and control systems) from Israel.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 2 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

3. With reference to Nuclear disarmament, consider the following statements:

1. India has neither signed the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) nor the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT).
2. Recently, the G7 countries, ahead of a review of the NPT 1970, have pledged to prevent atomic weapons spreading and to avoid nuclear conflict.

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

4. Consider the following statement regarding the Sea Dragon 22 exercise:

1. It is designed to practice and discuss Anti-submarine warfare tactics.
2. It is a bilateral annual exercise between India and the US.

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

5. With reference to the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, consider the following statements:

1. It was established by the Washington Treaty.
2. It is based on the principle of collective security.

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

6. Consider the following statements regarding International Telecommunication Union (ITU):

1. It became the fifteenth Specialized Agency of the United Nations.
2. It is based in Geneva, Switzerland.

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. Consider the following statements:

1. International Counter Terrorism Conference 2022 was organised by the Global Counter Terrorism Council (GCTC).
2. Global Counter Terrorism Council is an arm of United Nations Security Council against Terrorism.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2              D. Neither 1 nor 2

8. The Rubber-Rice Pact of 1952 is signed between which of the following countries?

- A. India-Sri Lanka              B. China-Thailand  
C. China-Sri Lanka              D. India-Thailand

9. With reference to the Line of Actual Control (LAC), consider the following statements:

1. It was designated so in 1972, following the Shimla Agreement between India and China.
2. The alignment of the LAC in the eastern sector along McMahon Line witnesses the highest transgressions between the two countries.

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

10. Consider the following statements:

1. India has entered a non-permanent member of United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the first time in 2021.
2. The ten non-permanent seats of UNSC are distributed on a regional basis.

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.** Which of the following countries are the members of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission?

1. India  
2. New Zealand  
3. France  
4. Australia

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only  
B. 3 and 4 only  
C. 1, 2 and 3  
D. 1, 2 and 4

**12.** The Panchsheel Agreement served as the foundation for relations between which two countries?

- A. India and China  
B. India and Bangladesh  
C. India and Pakistan  
D. China and Pakistan

**13.** Blue Dot Network initiative is an initiative led by which of the following countries?

- A. US, Japan and Australia  
B. US, Japan and UK  
C. Japan, India and Australia  
D. China, US and Japan

**14.** Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) is an agreement between Iran and six countries (United States, Russia, France, UK, China, and Germany). It is related to which of the following?

- A. Agriculture  
B. Military Ceasefire  
C. Space Technology  
D. Nuclear Capability

**15.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Parvatmala':

1. The aim is to improve connectivity to hilly regions for military troops movement only.  
2. Border Road Organization (BRO) is the nodal agency for the scheme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only  
B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2  
D. Neither 1 nor 2

**16.** The Falkland Islands issue is a dispute between which of the two countries?

- A. US and Cuba  
B. UK and Argentina  
C. Japan and North Korea  
D. Russia and Norway

**17.** Recently in the news Falkland Island is situated in which of the following Oceans?

- A. Atlantic Ocean  
B. Arctic Ocean  
C. Antarctic Ocean  
D. Pacific Ocean

**18.** Consider the following statements :

1. Line of Credit establishes the maximum loan amount the customer can borrow.  
2. Recently, India has extended a Line of Credit for fuel imports to Sri Lanka.

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.** Consider the following statements with reference to US' Indo-Pacific strategy:

1. Development of Civil Societies is one of the focuses of the strategy.  
2. The strategy also includes Defence Partnership with India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only  
B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2  
D. Neither 1 nor 2

**20.** Consider the following statements regarding the Commonwealth of Nations?

1. It was established by the London Declaration in 1949.  
2. Queen Elizabeth II is the head of the Commonwealth.  
3. The membership is based on free and equal voluntary cooperation.

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

**21.** India conducts the EKVURIN exercise with which of the following?

- A. South Africa  
B. Seychelles  
C. Maldives  
D. Sri Lanka

**22.** Consider the following statements

1. The Black Sea is also connected to the Sea of Azov by the Strait of Kerch.  
2. The Dardanelles, Bosphorus and Marmara Sea forms a transitional zone between the Mediterranean and the Black Sea.

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.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Human Rights Council is an inter-governmental body within the United Nations system.
2. The Universal Periodic Review is a mechanism to review the human rights records of all UN member states once every four years.

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

**24.** PANEX-21 is a Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief exercise for the member nations of:

- A. Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC)  
B. Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)  
C. South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC)  
D. Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)

**25.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Brasilia declaration, 2015 was signed at the second Global High-Level Conference on South-South Cooperation held in Brazil.
2. India is a signatory to the Brasilia Declaration.

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

**26.** With reference to the Shanghai Cooperation Organization(SCO), consider the following statements:

1. It was earlier called Shanghai Five.
2. Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (RATS) is permanent body of the SCO.
3. India and Pakistan became members in 2019.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only                              B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only                              D. 1, 2 and 3

**27.** With reference to the Maritime Zones, consider the following statements:

1. The territorial sea extends seaward up to 12 nautical miles (nm) from its baselines.
2. The contiguous zone is an intermediary zone between the territorial sea and the high seas.

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

**28.** With reference to the Treaty on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, consider the following statements:

1. It allows for the exchange of evidence and information in criminal matters between the signing countries.
2. The Ministry of External Affairs is the nodal Ministry for seeking and providing mutual legal assistance in criminal law matters.
3. India has entered into a Mutual Legal Assistance Treaty with Poland.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only                              B. 1 and 3 only  
C. 3 only                                      D. 1, 2 and 3

**29.** Green Strategic Partnership has been recently in the news. It is a bilateral partnership of India with which of the following countries?

- A. Denmark                                      B. Estonia  
C. Spain    D. Iceland

**30.** The 'Xinjiang region' of China often seen in the news is/are bordered by which of the following countries?

1. Tajikistan                                      2. Russia  
3. Kyrgyzstan                                      4. Kazakhstan

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only                              B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 3 only    D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**31.** Consider the following statements:

1. Both India and Vietnam are serving concurrently as non-permanent members in 2021 at UNSC.
2. Both India and Vietnam are part of the Mekong-Ganga Cooperation (MGC) initiative.

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

**32.** The Prime Minister of India has been recently conferred the "Ngadag Pel gi Khorlo" award. It is the highest civilian award of which of the following countries?

- A. South Korea                                      B. Bhutan  
C. Indonesia                                      D. Mongolia

**33.** Consider the following statements:

1. The International North-South Transport Corridor (INSTC) corridor connects the Indian Ocean and the Persian Gulf to the Caspian Sea.
2. The INSTC was established by Iran, Russia and India for the purpose of promoting transportation cooperation among the Member States.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2              D. Neither 1 nor 2

**34.** With reference to the Islamic Development Bank, consider the following statements:

1. The purpose of the Bank is to foster economic development in accordance with the principles of Shari'ah.
2. The basic condition for membership of this bank is to have a certain proportion of the total population of the country to be Muslim.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2              D. Neither 1 nor 2

**35.** With reference to the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), consider the following statements:

1. It was established in the aftermath of the Persian Gulf War in 1991.
2. Its headquarters is in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.
3. India is not a member of OIC.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only              B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only              D. 1, 2 and 3

**36.** The 'Katchatheevu Island', often seen in the news, is located in?

- A. Gulf of Khambhat              B. Arabian Sea  
C. Bay of Bengal              D. Palk Strait

**37.** Consider the following pairs: Highest (Civilian) Honour Associated Country

1. Order of Abdulaziz Al Saud Saudi Arabia
2. Order of Zayed Award Bahrain
3. State Order of Ghazi Amir Amanullah Khan Afghanistan
4. Order of St. Andrew Award Denmark

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

- A. 1 and 3 only              B. 2 and 4 only  
C. 1, 3 and 4              D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**38.** The Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) was established in a historical summit which took place in?

- A. Jeddah                      B. Rabat  
C. Ankara                      D. Abu Dhabi

**39.** Consider the following statements regarding China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI):

1. The Gulf region is a part of this initiative.
2. The New Silk Road Economic Belt and the Maritime Silk Road (MSR) are the components of BRI.
3. The Blue Dot Network and Global Gateway are the initiatives of the European Union (EU) to counter BRI.

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

**40.** 'Mission Sagar' was India's initiative to deliver Covid-19 related assistance to various countries. Which of the following countries are included in this mission?

1. Madagascar
2. Seychelles
3. Comoros
4. Mauritius

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 3 only              B. 2 and 4 only  
C. 1, 2 and 4              D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**41.** With reference to the Indo-Lanka Accord, consider the following statements:

1. It is popularly referred to as the Rajiv-Jayewardene Accord.
2. It was signed to resolve the Sri Lankan Civil War.
3. The accord saw the placement of the Indian Peace Keeping Force in Sri Lanka.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only              B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only              D. 1, 2 and 3

**42.** With reference to the AUKUS deal, consider the following statements:

1. It is a defence alliance of Australia, the UK and the US.
2. It is established to confront strategic tensions in the Indo-Pacific region.
3. Under this Australia would obtain nuclear-powered submarines.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only              B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only              D. 1, 2 and 3

**43.** With reference to Preferential Trade Agreements (PTA), consider the following statements:

1. In a PTA, the partners can reduce the tariffs on entry of certain products to a certain limit but not to completely zero.
2. India has signed a PTA with Afghanistan.

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

**44.** The Minsk II Peace Process (2015) is associated with the dispute between which of the following countries?

- A. Russia-Crimea              B. Belarus-Poland  
C. Russia-Belarus              D. Russia-Ukraine

**45.** Consider the following statements:

1. It is a South American country occupying a narrow strip of land between the Andes to the east and the Pacific Ocean to the west.
2. The Atacama desert touches on its northern side.
3. The World's largest copper town is located in this country.

Which of the following countries is described in the statements above?

- A. Bolivia                      B. Peru  
C. Chile                      D. Argentina

**46.** Consider the following statements:

1. The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), 1982 divides marine areas into five main zones.
2. UNCLOS is the only international convention which stipulates a framework for state jurisdiction in maritime spaces.

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.** The World Programme of Action (WPA) initiative is related to?

- A. Global strategy to enhance disability prevention.  
B. Strategy to prevent spread of Covid infection.  
C. Reduction of malnourished population.  
D. Implementation of Paris Agreement.

**48.** Which of the following countries are members of BIMSTEC:

1. Nepal                      2. Myanmar  
3. Maldives                  4. Thailand

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only                  B. 1 and 3 only  
C. 1, 2 and 4                  D. 1, 3 and 4

**49.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) Minsk Group is co-chaired by France, Russia and the USA.
2. The Minsk Group was created in 1992 to encourage a peaceful negotiation of conflict between Azerbaijan and Armenia over Nagorno-Karabakh.

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

**50.** Which country recently officially removed Queen Elizabeth II as its head of state and become the world's newest republic?

- A. Rwanda                      B. Barbados  
C. Guyana                      D. Suriname

**51.** The Global Gateway Plan, recently in news, is an initiative of which of the following?

- A. European Union  
B. G20  
C. United Nations Office for Project Services  
D. BRICS

**52.** Consider the following statements:

1. ASEAN was established by the Manila declaration in 1967.
2. ASEAN is India's fourth largest trading partner.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2              D. Neither 1 nor 2

**53.** With reference to the East Asia Summit, consider the following statements:

1. India is the founding member of the East Asia Summit.
2. It can only be chaired by an ASEAN member.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2              D. Neither 1 nor 2



54. The 'West Bank', a landlocked territory often seen in news, is bordered by?

1. Jordan to the East
2. Egypt to the South and West
3. Syria to the North

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 only                      B. 3 only  
C. 2 and 3 only              D. 1, 2 and 3

55. With reference to the India-France relations, consider the following statements:

1. Both countries are part of a new security alliance called AUKUS.
2. An agreement regarding Reciprocal Logistics Support has been signed between the two countries.
3. France is a member of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA).

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only              B. 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only              D. 1, 2 and 3

56. With reference to the Chicago Convention, consider the following statements:

1. It sets the standards for freedom of airspace.
2. It established the International Civil Aviation Organisation.

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. The Delhi Regional Security Dialogue has been recently in the news. It intends to deal with the following geopolitical events?

- A. China's Aggressiveness in the South China Sea  
B. Houthi rebels in Yemen  
C. Afghanistan Peace Process  
D. Annexation of Crimea by Russia

58. With reference to India-Sweden relations, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. They jointly launched the Leadership Group on Industry Transition (LeadIT) at the UN Climate Action Summit.
2. India worked with Sweden on nuclear disarmament issues within the framework of the 'Six Nation Peace Summit'.
3. India joined the Arctic Council as an Observer under the presidency of Sweden.

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

59. Consider the following pairs:

Military Exercise	Countries
1. Shakti	India-France
2. Garuda Shakti	India and Indonesia.
3. Harimau Shakti	India- Malaysia

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

- A. 1 only                      B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only              D. 1, 2 and 3

60. With reference to the Red Sea, consider the following statements:

1. It is bounded by the Arabian peninsula, to the east.
2. It is connected to the Gulf of Aden, and the outer Indian Ocean, via the Strait of Bab-el-Mandeb.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2              D. Neither 1 nor 2

61. Which of the following was a naval exercise announced by India at the Shangri La Dialogue, 2018?

- A. SIAM BHARAT              B. SIMBEX  
C. Bold Kurukshetra              D. SITMEX

62. Build Back Better World (B3W) has been recently in the news. Which of the following statements most appropriately describes it.

- A. UN-Habitat Initiative for sustainable Urbanisation.  
B. Russia development project in Central Asia.  
C. Normalisation between Israel and Gulf Countries.  
D. Development Project of G7 countries.

63. Consider the following statements:

1. The Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS) is a voluntary and inclusive initiative that brings together navies of Indian Ocean Region (IOR) littoral states to increase maritime co-operation and enhance regional security.
2. In 2021 India held the chairmanship of Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS) for the first time.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2              D. Neither 1 nor 2

64. The Sydney Dialogue is an annual summit on:

- A. Climate change
- B. Cyber technology
- C. Hunger and malnutrition
- D. Sustainable water utilisation

65. Consider the following statements:

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

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

- A. International Court of Justice
- B. International Labour Organisation
- C. United Nations Security Council
- D. Economic and Social Council

66. 'Dosti' is a trilateral coast guard exercise involving -

- A. India, Bangladesh and Srilanka
- B. India, Srilanka and Maldives
- C. Pakistan, Srilanka and Bangladesh
- D. India, Bangladesh and Oman

67. Which of the following thematic areas are included in the BRICS Innovation Cooperation Action Plan (2021-24)?

1. Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)
2. Big Data Analytics
3. Food Industry
4. Nanophotonics

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

68. Consider the following statements:

1. The India Young Water Professional Programme is a joint program of Australia and India.
2. The India Young Water Professional Programme has been taken up under the National Hydrology Project.
3. The National Hydrology Project is a Central Sector Scheme supported by the World Bank.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2, and 3

69. CORPAT military exercise is conducted between which two countries?

- A. India and Canada
- B. India and China
- C. India and Indonesia
- D. India and Oman

70. Consider the following statements regarding the United Nations World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO):

1. It is a UN Specialised Agency.
2. It is headquartered in Madrid, Spain.
3. Best Tourism Village is an initiative of UNWTO.

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

71. Which of the following is/are NOT the member countries of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA)?

1. France
2. India
3. Indonesia
4. Iran
5. USA

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 4 only
- B. 2, 3 and 5 only
- C. 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

72. Consider the following statements regarding the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO):

1. It is a UN specialised agency.
2. India is a member of ICAO.
3. It is headquartered in Montreal, Canada.

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

73. The RATS (Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure) is a permanent organ of which of the following organisations?

- A. European Union (EU)
- B. Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)
- C. South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC)
- D. Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)

74. Consider the following pairs:

Environmental Conference	Importance
1. Stockholm Conference	Creation of the UNEP
2. Kyoto Protocol	Reduction in GHG emissions
3. Rio Summit	Agenda 21



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

- A. 1 only  
B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only  
D. 1, 2 and 3

**75.** With reference to the 'one sun, one world, one grid', consider the following statements:

1. The idea behind the concept is a trans-national electricity grid supplying solar power across the globe.
2. It has been taken up under the technical assistance program of the World Bank.

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. Taiwan's Air Defense Identification Zone (ADIZ) is an internationally recognised zone which allows Taiwan to take actions against any hostile aircraft.
2. One China Policy is not recognised by USA.
3. Taiwan Strait is surrounded by China and Taiwan only.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only  
B. 3 only  
C. 1, 2 and 3  
D. 1 only

**77.** Consider the following statements:

1. India is the founder-member of the High Ambition Coalition (HAC) for Nature and People.
2. HAC membership is limited to Asian countries only.
3. The HAC aim is to prevent nuclear proliferation.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only  
B. 3 only  
C. 1, 2 and 3  
D. None of the Above.

**78.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Conference on Interaction and Confidence-Building Measures (CICA) Secretariat is located in Almaty.
2. The CICA is an intergovernmental forum aimed at strengthening regional cooperation and ensuring peace, security, and stability in Asia.

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

**79.** Consider the following statements regarding the Uighur Muslims:

1. The largest population of the Uighur ethnic community lives in Kyrgyzstan.
2. India has strongly condemned the brutalities against the Uighurs.

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. India and South Korea signed an agreement to develop Varanasi and Busan as sister cities.
2. The India-Korea Friendship Park is located in Delhi.
3. The Ram Katha Park will be renamed as Queen Heo Hwang-ok memorial park after the 6th Century BC Queen of Korea.

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

**81.** Consider the following:

1. Bangalore metro rail project
2. Gujarat rural roads project
3. Mumbai urban transport project (Phase-III)

The above mentioned projects have been financed by which of the following?

- A. Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)  
B. Asian Development Bank (ADB)  
C. New Development Bank (NDB)  
D. International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)

**82.** Vajra Prahar a defence exercise between US and India is related to:

- A. Tri-services  
B. Air Force  
C. Navy  
D. Military Special Forces

**83.** Consider the following statements:

1. According to Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), since 2010, the USA has been the source of more than half of all Indian arms imports.
2. The US provides only non-lethal defence technology weapons to India and Russia provides high-end technology weapons.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2              D. Neither 1 nor 2

**84.** Consider the following statements:

- India is one of the founding members of Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB).
- It is also the second-largest shareholder of AIIB after China.
- India has received the highest amount of financial assistance from AIIB.

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

**85.** The Western QUAD, recently in news, is being referred to as the meeting of which of the following countries?

- India
- USA
- France
- Canada
- Israel
- UAE
- UK

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2, 5 and 6              B. 1, 2, 3 and 7  
C. 2, 3, 4 and 7              D. 1, 3, 4 and 6

**86.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the UNFCCC?

- The Conference of Parties (COP) is the apex decision-making authority of UNFCCC.
- The first COP was held in 1995 in Durban, South Africa.
- The 16th COP was held in New Delhi and is known as the Delhi declaration.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

**87.** With reference to the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), consider the following statements:

- Its Secretariat is located at the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) headquarters in Paris.
- The European Commission and the Gulf Cooperation Council are the members of FATF.

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.** South Asia's first cross-border petroleum products pipeline is built between which of the following countries?

- A. China-Myanmar              B. India-Bhutan  
C. India-Nepal                  D. China-Pakistan

**89.** The Tax Inspectors Without Borders Programme is a joint initiative of which of the following?

- A. Interpol and International Monetary Fund (IMF)  
B. UNDP and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)  
C. World Trade Organisation (WTO) and UNDP  
D. OECD and Interpol

**90.** With reference to the Special Drawing Rights (SDR), consider the following statements:

- The SDR is allocated to the members of the IMF in proportion to their existing quotas.
- India's foreign exchange reserves do not incorporate SDR.
- The SDR basket of currencies includes only the US dollar, Japanese yen and Euro.

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

**91.** Recently in the news, the "Partnership to Advance Clean Energy (PACE)" is a bilateral agreement of India with which of the following countries/grouping?

- A. Australia                      B. European Union  
C. United States of America  
D. Japan

**92.** The Climate Action and Finance Mobilisation Dialogue (CAFD) has been recently in the news. It is associated with which of the following countries or groupings?

- A. Arctic Circle                  B. BRICS  
C. OECD                          D. India and US

**93.** With reference to Quad Grouping, consider the following statements:

- Quad comprises all democratic countries surrounding China.
- Vaccine diplomacy, climate change, technological innovation are some of the objectives of Quad.
- Quad is based on the principle of collective defence.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only                  D. 1, 2 and 3

94. Consider the following

1. It seeks to develop connectivity through water between ASEAN and India.
2. It will enable an alternative transit route to India's Northeast region bypassing Bangladesh.
3. It connects Kolkata in India to Sittwe and Paletwa in Myanmar.

The above statements most appropriately describe which of the following regional connectivity projects?

- A. Belt and Road Initiative
- B. BCIM corridor
- C. Indo-Pacific economic corridor
- D. Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport Project

95. With reference to G20, consider the following statements:

1. It is an informal group of 19 countries and the European Union.
2. It is headquartered in Belgium.
3. The members represent about two-thirds of the world's population.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

96. Consider the following statements regarding India's relations with Saudi Arabia:

1. Saudi Arabia is India's largest supplier of crude oil.
2. Al-Mohed Al-Hindi Exercise is the first-ever Naval joint exercise between India and Saudi Arabia.

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. Consider the following statements regarding the Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA):

1. It is a type of free trade pact which covers trade negotiations in services, investment and Intellectual Property Rights.
2. It is more comprehensive than Free Trade Agreements but less than the Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA).
3. India has signed CEPAs with Afghanistan and Malaysia.

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

98. With reference to the Build Back Better World (B3W) initiative, consider the following statements:

1. It is an international infrastructure investment initiative launched by the World Bank for developing and lower-income countries.
2. The B3W to infuse investment by complying with the standards promoted by the Blue Dot Network.

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. With reference to the Blue Dot Network (BDN), consider the following statements:

1. It is a multi-stakeholder initiative for the promotion of high-quality, trusted standards for global infrastructure development.
2. The BDN will serve as a globally recognised evaluation and certification system for infrastructure projects in the Indo-Pacific region.
3. The BDN would offer fundings for the major infrastructure projects.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

100. Consider the following pairs:

Types of Trade Agreements India's Partner Countries

1. Free Trade Agreement (FTA) Afghanistan
2. Preferential Trade Agreement (PTA) Japan
3. Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) South Korea

Which of the pairs given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 3 only

101. Which of the following best describes the 'Five Eyes Alliance'?

- A. It comprises the QUAD Nations along with Russia against the Belt and Road Initiative of China.
- B. It was the alliance created by the US, UK, Canada, Australia and New Zealand during the Cold War.
- C. It consists of five specialised agencies of the UN brought together to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.
- D. The five largest developing economies found this alliance to facilitate mutual cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region.

**102.** Consider the following statements regarding the 'United Nations Security Council (UNSC)':

1. UNSC is the only organ of the UN empowered to make decisions that member states are then obligated to implement under the Charter.
2. Any member of the United Nations can participate at the UNSC discussions.
3. The decisions at the UNSC are taken on the basis of the majority votes of members.

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

**103.** Consider the following statements:

1. The South China Sea is connected by Taiwan Strait with the East China Sea and by Luzon Strait with the Philippine Sea.
2. The Strait of Malacca is a waterway that connects the Andaman Sea and the South China Sea.

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

**104.** Haldibari-Chilahati rail route has been recently in the news. It connects India with which of the following neighbouring countries?

- A. Pakistan                              B. Sri Lanka  
C. Nepal                                D. Bangladesh

**105.** With reference to Chabahar Port, consider the following statements:

1. It is located in the Persian gulf.
2. It provides India access to Afghanistan and Central Asia.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                              B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2                      D. Neither 1 and 2

**106.** Consider the following statements:

1. India, till now has been elected for eight terms as a non-permanent member of UNSC.
2. India is a member of the Uniting for Consensus (UFC) group, which supports India's permanent membership at UNSC.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                              B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2                      D. Neither 1 and 2

**107.** Agalega Islands has been recently in the news. It features India's agreement with which of the following countries in the Indian Ocean?

- A. Seychelles                              B. Sri Lanka  
C. Maldives                              D. Mauritius

**108.** Consider the following statements:

1. The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) defines a distance of 12 nautical miles from the baseline as the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ).
2. The International Seabed Authority (ISA) is mandated under the UNCLOS to organize, regulate and control all mineral-related activities in the international seabed area.

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

**109.** With reference to the 'Palermo Convention', consider the following statements:

1. It is an United Nations-sponsored multilateral treaty against transnational organized crime.
2. The protocol aimed at protecting and assisting victims of human trafficking.

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

**110.** Consider the following statements regarding IBSA:

1. It is a trilateral, developmental initiative between India, Brazil and South Africa.
2. It is the first example of South-South Cooperation (SSC).
3. The funding of the developmental projects of IBSA is done by the African Development Bank.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                              B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 1 and 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

**111.** Which of the following initiatives resulted in the adoption of the founding principles of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM)?

- A. Brasilia Declaration                      B. Bandung Conference  
C. Nairobi Declaration                      D. Vienna Convention

**112.** Consider the following pairs:

India's Maritime Exercises	Country
1. Za'ir-Al-Bahr	Qatar
2. Naseem-Al-Bahr	Saudi Arabia
3. Al-Mohed Al-Hindi	Oman

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

- A. 1 only                      B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only              D. 1, 2 and 3

**113.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Doha talks is the first-ever meeting between the Taliban and the Afghan government.
2. It was in the Doha talks where the US administration promised to withdraw all the American troops from Afghanistan by May 2021.

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

**114.** With reference to the 'UNITE Aware' platform, consider the following statements:

1. It is launched by India in collaboration with the United Nations (UN).
2. It aims to deploy a UN peacekeeping mission to deal with the crisis in Afghanistan.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2              D. Neither 1 and 2

**115.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC)-Transport Initiative for Asia (NDC-TIA) project is part of the International Climate Initiative (IKI).
2. The IKI is a key element of India's climate financing and the funding commitments in the framework of the Convention on Biological Diversity.

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

**116.** Consider the following statements regarding Asian Development Bank (ADB):

1. Its objective is to promote social and economic development in Asia and the Pacific region.
2. As of December 2019, Japan is the largest shareholder of ADB.
3. "Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific: 2021" Report is released by ADB.

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

- A. 1 and 3 only              B. 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only              D. 3 only

**117.** With reference to the retrospective taxation, consider the following statements:

1. This route is used by countries to correct any anomalies in their taxation policies that have, in the past, allowed companies to take advantage of such loopholes.
2. Retrospective law in India was introduced after an amendment to the Companies 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

**118.** With reference to the 'United Nations Refugee Convention 1951', consider the following statements:

1. It sets out the rights of individuals who are granted asylum and the responsibilities of nations that grant asylum.
2. It builds on Article 14 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights 1948.

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

**119.** Consider the following statements regarding India-Bangladesh ties:

1. India shares the longest land boundary with Bangladesh.
2. Bangladesh has been granted duty-free quota free access to its exports to India under the South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA) agreement.
3. The Maitri Setu built over the Padma river to connect Sabroom in India with Ramgarh in Bangladesh.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only              B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 1 and 3 only              D. 1, 2 and 3

**120.** With reference to G20, consider the following statements:

1. The G20 is an informal group of 20 countries with the European Union as observer.
2. It does not have any permanent secretariat or headquarters.

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

**121.** Consider the following statements regarding the Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS):

1. IONS is a biennial event conceived by the Indian navy in 2008.
2. India has held the chairmanship of IONS for the maximum period of time.

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

**122.** Consider the following statements:

1. Child Soldier refers to a person below 18 years of age who has been recruited or used by an armed group in any capacity.
2. The recruitment of children below the age of 15 as soldiers is prohibited by the additional protocols to the Geneva Conventions.
3. Recruiting Child Soldiers is considered a war crime under the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC).

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

**123.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS) framework is an initiative of the G20 countries.
2. India is yet to join the Multilateral Instrument (MLI) to prevent base erosion and profit shifting.

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

**124.** With reference to 'GloLitter Partnerships Project', consider the following statements:

1. It is launched by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) in association with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).
2. It aims to prevent and reduce marine plastic litter from shipping and fisheries.

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

**125.** With reference to Organisation of Islamic Cooperation(OIC), consider the following statements:

1. It is the second largest intergovernmental organization after the United Nations (UN)
2. India is not a member but has an observer status in OIC.

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

**126.** India and Nepal share which of the following multilateral forums?

1. BBIN                                      2. BIMSTEC
3. SAARC                                      4. BRI

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only                      B. 2 only  
C. 1, 2 and 3                      D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**127.** Consider the following statements:

1. The World Population Day is observed on the recommendation of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).
2. The UNFPA was created as a subsidiary organ of the UN General Assembly in 1987.
3. The UNFPA is directly supported by the UN budget.

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

- A. 1 and 2 only                      B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 3 only                                      D. 1, 2 and 3

**128.** Consider the following statements regarding Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI)?

1. The initiative was launched by the Indian Prime Minister at the East Asia Summit in November 2019.
2. The initiative is centred around issues like maritime security, disaster risk reduction and trade connectivity.

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

**129.** Both India and South Africa are the members of which of the following multilateral forums?

1. BRICS
2. World Trade Organisation
3. Indian Ocean Rim Association
4. G20



Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only                      B. 3 and 4 only  
C. 1, 2 and 4                        D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**130.** Consider the following statements:

1. The International Solar Alliance (ISA) was launched by India and France on the side-lines of the Conference of the Parties (COP-21) in Paris.
2. PM- KUSUM scheme aims to provide financial and water security to farmers through harnessing solar energy capacities.

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

**131.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Build Back Better World (B3W) initiative'?

1. The initiative is proposed by G7 countries to counter China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI).
2. It aims to address the infrastructure investment deficit in developing and lower income countries.

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

**132.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the 'Fit for 55 package'?

1. It is a new climate proposal released by the European Commission.
2. The package attempts to deliver the Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) and carbon neutrality goal.
3. It includes a new emissions trading system for transport and buildings and a carbon border price on imported goods.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only                      B. 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

**133.** Consider the following statements:

1. The International Labour Organisation (ILO) is the only tripartite United Nation (UN) agency.
2. The ILO became an affiliated agency of the United Nations (UN) by the Treaty of Versailles.
3. The International Labour Conference is organized by ILO every year.

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

- A. 1 and 3 only                      B. 2 only  
C. 3 only                                D. 2 and 3 only

**134.** Which of the following countries are members of the 'China-South Asian Initiative'?

1. Afghanistan                      2. Pakistan  
3. Maldives                          4. Sri Lanka

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only                      B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 1 and 4 only                      D. 1, 2 and 4

**135.** With reference to World Heritage Site, consider the following statements:

1. The list of World Heritage Sites is maintained by the international World Heritage Programme.
2. Once the site is included in the World Heritage List, it cannot be delisted.

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

**136.** The 'Nord Stream 2 Pipeline (NS2P)' recently seen in the news connects which of the following two countries?

- A. Germany-Russia                      B. U.S-Mexico  
C. Germany-France                      D. Denmark-Sweden

**137.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Western Indian Ocean (WIO) connects North America and Europe with Asia.
2. The MASE programme is launched to strengthen the maritime security capacity of the WIO region.
3. The Indian Ocean Commission is a part of the MASE Programme.

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

**138.** With reference to the 'Exercise INDRA', consider the following statements:

1. It is a joint military exercise between India and Russia.
2. The first joint Tri-Services Exercise was conducted in 2017.

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

**139.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO)':

1. Russia, China and Kazakhstan are the founding members of SCO.
2. Pakistan and India are the permanent members of SCO.

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

**140.** Consider the following statements:

1. Security and Growth for All in the Region (SAGAR) is India's strategic vision for the Indo-Pacific Region.
2. The India-Indonesia Coordinated Patrol (CORPAT) is a part of the SAGAR vision.

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

**141.** The 'Bay of Pigs invasion' is related to which of the following countries?

- A. Afghanistan                              B. Iraq  
C. Cuba                                        D. Vietnam

**142.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Golden Triangle and Golden Crescent are the two largest Opium producing regions of the world.
2. The golden triangle area comprises Thailand, Myanmar and Vietnams.
3. The golden crescent area includes Pakistan, Afghanistan and Iran.

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

**143.** Consider the following statements regarding BHIM-UPI:

1. It is developed by the National Payment Corporation of India (NPCI).
2. Bhutan is the first country in our immediate neighbourhood to accept mobile based payments through the BHIM App.

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

**144.** Consider the following statements regarding International Criminal Court (ICC):

1. ICC is governed by the international treaty called 'The Rome Statute'.
2. Recruiting Child Soldiers is considered a "crime against humanity" under the ICC.
3. ICC has retrospective jurisdiction over the crimes committed on the territory of a state which has ratified the treaty.

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

**145.** Consider the following statements:

1. Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) is a political, economic and military organisation of Eurasian region.
2. The Executive Committee of the Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (RATS) is located in Tashkent.

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

**146.** Consider the following statements:

1. The International Thermonuclear Experimental Reactor (ITER) is located in France.
2. China's Experimental Advanced Superconducting Tokamak (EAST) is a part of ITER.
3. India is not a member of ITER Project.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                                      B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 1 and 2 only                              D. 3 only

**147.** Consider the following statements:

1. India is a member country of the United Nations Development Industrial Organisation (UNIDO).
2. The Lima Declaration mandates UNIDO to promote and accelerate inclusive and sustainable industrial development (ISID) in member States.

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

**148.** Consider the following statements:

1. The International Energy Agency (IEA) is an UN body established in 1974.
  2. India became the Associate member of IEA in 2017.
- 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

**149.** With reference to the World Environment Day, consider the following statements:

1. It was established by the United Nations Assembly at the Stockholm Conference in 1972.
2. The theme for 2021 is Ecosystem Restoration.
3. The E-100 project has been launched by the United Nations for the production and distribution of ethanol.

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

**150.** Consider the following pairs:

Convention	Objectives
1. Basel Convention	Intended to reduce transboundary movements of hazardous waste.
2. Rotterdam Convention	Implementation of the Prior Informed Consent (PIC) procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade
3. Stockholm Convention	Treaty to protect human health and the environment from Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)

Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- A. 1 and 3 only                              B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 1 and 2 only                              D. 1, 2, and 3

**151.** Consider the following statements:

1. The G7 countries have no member nations from the southern Hemisphere.
2. All the members of the G7 group are members of G20.

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

**152.** Consider the following statements regarding CEO Water Mandate:

1. It is a United Nations initiative for demonstrating efforts of companies to better their water and sanitation agendas as part of long term SDGs.
2. India is not signatory to this initiative.

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

**153.** The 'Operation Pangea XIV' recently seen in the news is related to?

- A. Joint military exercise between India and U.K.
- B. Rescue operation conducted for stranded Indians in Arabian sea during cyclone.
- C. Measures to contain insurgency in North-East India.
- D. Effort to disrupt the sale of fake medicines and products online.

**154.** Consider the following statements regarding the World Bank:

1. The Bretton Woods Conference of 1944 created the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) which later became the World Bank.
2. The World Bank was created along with the World Economic Forum.
3. The International Finance Corporation (IFC) is an institution of the World Bank but the International Development Association (IDA) is not.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                                      B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only                              D. 3 only

**155.** Which of the following countries are members of Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)?

1. Brunei
2. Cambodia
3. Laos
4. Vietnam

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 4 only                              B. 2 and 4 only  
C. 3 only                                      D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**156.** Consider the following statements:

1. The International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD) is working for the people of the Hindu Kush Himalayan (HKH) region.
2. The ICIMOD is located in Dehradun, India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2                              D. Neither 1 nor 2

**157.** Consider the following statements:

1. India has been a member of Group of Seven (G7) countries since 2020.
2. The Carbis Bay Declaration is signed by G7 countries to prevent cyber attacks.

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

**158.** Consider the following statements:

1. United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) is a legally binding international agreement.
2. The Great Green Wall initiative is focused on fighting against land degradation in the Sahel region.

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

**159.** Consider the following statements:

1. India is a member of the International Hydrographic Organization (IHO).
2. The IHO has recognised the Southern Ocean as the world's fifth ocean since 1953.
3. The Southern Ocean is the only ocean that touches the Pacific, Indian and Atlantic Oceans.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only                              B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 1 and 3 only                              D. 1, 2 and 3

**160.** Consider the following statements:

1. Thailand shares land borders with Vietnam and China.
2. CORPAT is the biennial naval exercise between India and Thailand.

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

**161.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Globally Important Agricultural Heritage Systems (GIAHS) is an initiative of Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).
2. The United Nation has declared 2023 as the International Year of Millets.

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

**162.** Consider the following statements:

1. The International Solar Alliance (ISA) vision is to enable One World, One Sun, One Grid (OSOWOG).
2. The ISA was launched on the side-lines of the United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP-21).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2                              D. Neither 1 nor 2

**163.** Which of the following statement best describes the SHADE initiative:

- A. It is a naval exercise conducted by the Indian Navy and the European Union Naval Force in the Gulf of Aden.
- B. It is an international treaty for the protection of vessels deployed under the charter of the World Food Programme (UN WFP).
- C. It is a virtual information sharing exercise conducted between the Indian Navy, Indian Ocean Region and Maritime Security Centre-Horn of Africa.
- D. It is an international operational counter piracy platform, convened in Bahrain.

**164.** Consider the following statements:

1. The United Nations (UN) Secretary-General is appointed by the Security Council.
2. The Secretary-General does not have the option of reappointment.

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

**165.** Consider the following statements:

1. Land for Life Award is organised by United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
2. UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) is not a legally binding agreement.

3. UNFCCC, UNCCD and Convention of Biological Diversity (CBD) are three Rio Conventions.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- A. 1 and 3 only                      B. 3 only  
C. 2 and 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

- 166.** Consider the following statements regarding North Atlantic Treaty Organization's (NATO):

1. NATO was established by the Washington Treaty.
2. All the NATO decisions are taken by the consensus of all the 30 members of the organisation.

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

- 167.** Consider the following statements regarding India and Antarctica:

1. India was one of the original signatories of the Antarctic Treaty.
2. Maitri was the first Indian scientific research base station established in Antarctica, as a part of the Indian Antarctic Program.
3. Priyadarshini is a freshwater lake built by India near the Maitri research station.

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

- A. 1 and 2 only                      B. 2 only  
C. 3 only                                  D. 1, 2 and 3

- 168.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Tax Inspectors Without Borders (TIWB) is an initiative of the World Bank.
2. The TIWB initiative focuses in the area of International Taxation and Transfer Pricing.

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

- 169.** With reference to 'International Renewable Energy Agency', consider the following statements:

1. It supports countries in their transition to a sustainable energy future.
2. It promotes the sustainable use of solar and wind energy only.
3. India is not a member.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- A. 1 and 3 only                      B. 1 only  
C. 2 and 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

- 170.** With reference to Special Frontier Force(SFF), consider the following statements:

1. It was established in the year 2000 after the Kargil war.
2. SFF units are not part of the Army but they function under operational control of the Army.
3. Women soldiers are still not part of the force.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- A. 1 only                                  B. 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

- 171.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Zen Garden - Kaizen Academy in India is supported by the Hyogo International Association (HIA) Japan.
2. Zen is a Japanese school of Mahayana Buddhism.
3. Kaizen is Japanese Buddhist philosophy similar to yoga in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                                  B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 2 only                                  D. 1, 2 and 3

- 172.** Consider the following pairs:

**Treaties under World  
Intellectual Property  
Organisation (WIPO)**

**Objective**

- |                     |  |
|---------------------|--|
| 1. Paris Convention | To protect the Industrial Property         |
| 2. Nairobi Treaty   | To protect the Literary and Artistic Works |
| 3. Berne Convention | To protect the Olympic Symbol              |

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

- A. 1 only                                  B. 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

- 173.** Consider the following statements regarding the Indian Antarctic Programme:

1. It is a scientific research and exploration program under the Ministry of Earth Sciences.
2. Bharti is the first Indian ice-class vessel developed under this programme to navigate Antarctic waters.

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

**174.** With reference to the 'Yuelu Proclamation', consider the following statements:

1. It aims to reach a consensus on the protection and promotion of linguistic diversity in the world.
2. It was adopted by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

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

**175.** Consider the following statements:

1. India is not a signatory to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) and the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (CTBT).
2. India is a member of both Wassenaar Arrangement and Australia Group.

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

**176.** Consider the following statements:

1. The headquarters of Asian Development Bank (ADB) is located in Manila, Philippine.
2. China has the largest share in the Asian Development Bank.

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

**177.** Consider the following statements:

1. Budapest Convention is the sole legally binding international multilateral treaty on cybercrime.
2. India is a party to the Budapest Convention.

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

**178.** India is a member of which of the following Conventions for Avoiding Usage of Hazardous Chemical and Wastes:

1. Chemical Weapon Convention
2. Stockholm Convention
3. Basel Convention
4. Rotterdam Convention

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 4 only              B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 1, 3 and 4              D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**179.** Which of the following are United Nations led initiatives which make companies a part of Environmental Conservation:

1. Race to Zero Campaign
2. CEO Water Mandate
3. Industrial Deep Decarbonization Initiative

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only              B. 2 only  
C. 1 and 3 only              D. 1, 2 and 3

**180.** Which of the following is/are released by the International Energy Agency (IEA)?

1. World Energy Investment Report
2. Net Zero by 2050
3. India Energy Outlook 2021 Report

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

**181.** Which of the following reports is/are released by the World Bank?

1. World Development Report
2. World Economic Outlook Report
3. Migration and Development Brief
4. Global Competitiveness Report

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 3 only              B. 2 and 4 only  
C. 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 4

**182.** Consider the following statements regarding the International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol):

1. The Interpol National Central Bureau (NCB) is hosted by every member country.
2. The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has been designated as the National Central Bureau of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2              D. Neither 1 nor 2

**183.** Consider the following statements:

1. Kyrgyzstan is a Central Asian country bordered by Uzbekistan and China.
2. KAZIND is the joint military exercise of India and Kyrgyzstan.

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



**184.** With reference to the International North-South Transport Corridor (INSTC), consider the following statements:

1. INSTC is a multi-modal transportation facility established by Iran, Russia and India.
2. It connects the Indian Ocean and the Persian Gulf to the Caspian Sea.

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

**185.** Consider the following statements regarding Taiwan:

1. It is surrounded by China to the west and Philippines to the south.
2. It is the largest economy that is not a part of the United Nations.
3. India recognises Taiwan as an independent state.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only              B. 2 only  
C. 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

**186.** Consider the following statements regarding 'G7 Grouping':

1. All of the G7 summits are held in the United Kingdom.
2. The headquarters of G7 grouping is located in Nagoya.
3. The decisions taken by the leaders in G7 summits are non-binding.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only              B. 2 only  
C. 3 only                      D. 1 and 3 only

**187.** Which of the following statements is not correct regarding the Arctic Region?

- A. Canada, Denmark, Russia and the USA together form the core of the Arctic Council.
- B. India's engagement with the Arctic region was established with the signing of the Svalbard Treaty in Paris.
- C. India and China have received the observer status in the Arctic Council.
- D. IndARC is India's permanent research station in the Arctic located in Denmark.

**188.** The 'Al-Aqsa Mosque' recently seen in the news is located in?

- A. Kabul                      B. Jerusalem  
C. Damascus                D. Amman

**189.** Consider the following statements:

1. Both India and Mongolia are the members of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO).
2. India participates actively in the Khaan Quest joint training exercise hosted by Mongolia.

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

**190.** The 'Farzad-B Gas Field' recently seen in the news is located in?

- A. Arabian Sea                B. Black Sea  
C. Caspian Sea               D. Persian Gulf

**191.** Which of the following bilateral defence exercises are conducted between India and Oman?

1. Prabal Dostyk              2. Eastern Bridge
3. Naseem Al Bahr          4. Exercise Ekuverin

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 4 only              B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 3 and 4 only              D. 1, 2 and 3

**192.** Consider the following statements regarding BRICS:

1. Brazil was the last country to join the BRICS.
2. BRICS exists only as an annual summit and not as an organisation.
3. The New Development Bank is a multilateral development bank established by the BRICS nations.

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

**193.** Consider the following statements:

1. The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) was signed at the Earth Summit in 1992.
2. India has hosted the COP of all three Rio conventions.
3. UNFCCC is the parent treaty of the 2015 Paris Agreement.

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

**194.** Which of the following initiatives were not signed at the tenth session of Conference of Parties (COP10):

1. Cartagena Protocol
2. Nagoya Protocol
3. Aichi Targets for Biodiversity
4. Marrakesh Accords

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 4 only                      B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 4 only                                D. 1, 2 and 3

**195.** With reference to Sowa-Rigpa system of medicine, consider the following statements:

1. The system originated in Greece and its foundation was laid by Hippocrates.
2. It uses natural remedies to help the body heal itself by embracing many therapies, including herbs, massage, acupuncture, exercise, and nutritional counseling.

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

**196.** Consider the following pairs:

India's Rescue Missions	Associated Countries
1. Operation Raahat	Kuwait
2. Operation Safe Homecoming	Iraq
3. Operation Sukoon	Lebanon
4. Operation Maitri	Nepal

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

- A. 1 and 2 only                      B. 2 and 4 only  
C. 3 and 4 only                      D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**197.** Consider the following statements:

1. India is not a party to the United Nations Refugee Convention 1951.
2. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) is headquartered at Geneva, Switzerland.

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

**198.** With reference to the Access to Covid-19 Tools Accelerator (ACT-Accelerator), consider the following statements:

1. It is a global collaboration launched by the G20 countries.
2. It aims to end the Covid-19 pandemic and restore full societal and economic activity globally.

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

**199.** Consider the following statements about BIMSTEC:

1. It is a regional organisation comprising South Asian countries only.
2. The Secretariat of BIMSTEC is located at Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                                B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2                      D. Neither 1 nor 2

**200.** Consider the following statements:

1. Exercise Varuna is an Indo-French naval exercise.
2. All the QUAD members will also participate in Varuna exercise.
3. Varuna exercise will be conducted in the Indian Ocean Region.

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 and 3 only

**201.** Consider the following statements:

1. International Maritime Organization (IMO) is a specialized agency of the United Nations.
2. India is a member of IMO.

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

**202.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Russian Far East stretches from the Siberian Sea to the Arctic Ocean.
2. Both India and Russia are the members of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO).
3. The Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant (KKNPP) is being built in India with Russian cooperation.

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

**203.** Consider the following statements regarding the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO):

1. It was established by the Washington Treaty to provide security against the Soviet Union.
2. NATO's protection does not extend to members' civil wars or internal coups.
3. It is headquartered in Washington, USA.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only                      B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 1 and 2 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

**204.** Consider the following statements regarding the ASEAN:

1. Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore are known as the founding fathers of the ASEAN.
2. The ASEAN declaration is also known as the Jakarta declaration.
3. Russia is the largest provider of development assistance to the ASEAN region.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 3 only                      D. 1 and 3 only

**205.** Consider the following statements:

1. The OPEC is a permanent organization created at the Baghdad conference.
2. The non-OPEC countries that export crude oil are termed as OPEC+ countries.
3. Algeria, Libya, Nigeria and Venezuela are OPEC+ countries.

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

- A. 1 and 2 only              B. 2 only  
C. 1 and 3 only              D. 3 only

**206.** Consider the following statements:

1. The E9 Partnership was established to achieve the goal of UNESCO's Education for All (EFA).
2. India is a member of the E9 partnership.
3. The EFA initiative was first launched at the World Conference on Education for All in 1990.

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

**207.** Consider the following statements:

1. Both India and Seychelles are the members of the Indian Ocean Commission.
2. India and Seychelles are the founding members of the International Solar Alliance.

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

**208.** With reference to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, 1982, consider the following statements:

1. It is signed and ratified by all the members of the United Nations (UN).
2. The Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) extends 200 nautical miles from the shore of the coastal state.
3. The coastal state has the responsibility to conserve and manage, both living and non-living resources of EEZ.

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

**209.** With reference to the Sustainable Development and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), consider the following statements:

1. The SDG-4 aims to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.
2. The SDGs are legally binding on the member states of the United Nations.

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

**210.** Consider the following statements:

1. Despite the growing ties, there is a trend of decline in India's bilateral trade with the Netherlands since 2017.
2. The Netherlands is home to the largest Indian community on the European mainland.

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

**211.** Consider the following statements:

1. Kazakhstan shares land borders with Russia, China and Uzbekistan.
2. Kazakhstan is India's largest trading partner in Central Asia.
3. KAZIND is the joint military exercise of India and Kazakhstan.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only              B. 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only              D. 1, 2 and 3

**212.** With reference to the military exercise 'Shantir Ogroshena', consider the following statements:

1. It was a United Nations mandated counterterrorism exercise.
2. It was a bilateral exercise between India and Bangladesh.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only                      B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2              D. Neither 1 nor 2



**213.** Consider the following statements regarding Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP):

1. It is the world's largest Free Trade Agreement (FTA) signed by ASEAN countries.
2. India is not a member nation of the CPTPP.

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

**214.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Convention is an international treaty that defines consular relations between independent states.
2. Article 36 of this Convention states that foreign nationals who are arrested or detained in the host country must be given notice without delay of their right to have their embassy or consulate notified of that arrest.
3. India approached the International Court of Justice against Pakistan for denial of consular access provided through this Convention in the Kulbhushan Jadhav Case.

The above statements describe which of the following international conventions most appropriately:

- A. New York Convention      B. Geneva Convention  
C. Hague Convention          D. Vienna Convention

**215.** Consider the following statements regarding the Boao Forum for Asia (BFA):

1. The annual conference of BFA is held in China.
2. India is a member of the BFA.

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

**216.** Consider the following statements:

1. It is a bilateral maritime exercise of India and France.
2. For the first time UAE is participating in this exercise.
3. The exercise is part of the French carrier strike group's 'CLEMENTAU 21' deployment.

The above statements describe which of the following Indo-French Exercises most appropriately:

- A. Exercise Desert Knight-21  
B. Exercise Varuna  
C. La Perouse  
D. Exercise Shakti

**217.** Consider the following statements regarding the Armenian Genocide:

1. It is called the first genocide of the 20th century.
2. India has not formally recognised the Armenian Genocide.

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

**218.** Consider the following statements:

1. Project DANTAK is a project of the Border Roads Organisation (BRO).
2. DANTAK was tasked to construct the pioneering motorable roads in Bhutan.
3. The BRO works under the administrative control of the Ministry of Home Affairs

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only              B. 2 only  
C. 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

**219.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The Carrier Strike Group (CSG) of the United Kingdom is a regional deployment in the Indo Pacific region.
2. Indradhanush, Konkan and Ajeya Warrior are defence exercises between India and the UK.

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

**220.** With reference to the Middle East Green Initiative, consider the following statements:

1. The initiative was launched by the G20 countries on the occasion of the G20 Summit in Saudi Arabia.
2. It aims to accelerate the transition to clean energy and boost the amount of energy generated by renewables.

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

**221.** Which of the following statements is/are not correct?

- A. India, Japan and Australia have formally launched the Supply Chain Resilience Initiative (SCRI).
- B. India and Japan have signed the Acquisition and Cross-Servicing Agreement (ACSA).
- C. India has not signed a Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA) with Japan.
- D. SHINYUU Maitri is the bilateral defence exercises between India and Japan.

**222.** With reference to Supply Chain Resilience Initiative, consider the following statements:

1. It aims to create a virtuous cycle of enhancing supply chain resilience.
2. It aims to attain strong, sustainable, balanced and inclusive growth in the Indo-Pacific region.
3. The initiative has formally been launched jointly by India, Japan, USA and Australia.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

- A. 2 and 3 only                      B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 1 and 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

**223.** Consider the following statements regarding the Immunisation Agenda 2030 (IA2030):

1. The G20 countries have launched the IA2030 for vaccination and immunization for the decade 2021-30.
2. It follows a top-down approach i.e. giving priority to the population that is currently reachable.

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

**224.** With reference to the International Court of Justice (ICJ), consider the following statements:

1. The ICJ was established as the successor to the Permanent Court of International Justice.
2. The judges of ICJ are elected for terms of office of nine years by the United Nations General Assembly and the Security Council.

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

**225.** The "Country of Particular Concern (CPC)", a designation by the US Secretary of State is related to?

- A. Violations of religious freedoms
- B. Violation of WTO norms
- C. Violation of intellectual property rights
- D. Violation of Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

**226.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Codex Alimentarius is a collection of international food standards.
2. The Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) was established jointly by the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and the World Health Organisation (WHO).

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

**227.** Consider the following statements about India-Japan:

1. India and Japan are the member nations of the QUAD.
2. SIAM BHARAT and Samudra Shakti are the bilateral exercises of India and Japan.
3. For the first time Japan has provided Official Development Assistance (ODA) to a project in the Andaman & Nicobar islands.

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

- A. 1 and 2 only                      B. 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only                      D. 3 only

**228.** With reference to the Heart of Asia-Istanbul Process (HoA-IP), consider the following statements:

1. This platform was established to address the shared challenges and interests of Afghanistan and its neighbors and regional partners.
2. India is not a participating country at HoA-IP.

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

**229.** Consider the following statements:

1. Switzerland is a landlocked country with Germany, France and Italy as its immediate neighbours.
2. Switzerland is acknowledged as a neutral state in the Treaty of Versailles.
3. Switzerland is not a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only                      B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 1 and 3 only                      D. 1, 2 and 3

**230.** Consider the following statements:

1. Switzerland is a member of Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).
2. The Bandung Conference of 1955 is an antecedent to the formation of the Non-Aligned Movement.
3. The United Nations has recognized 12th December as an International Day of Neutrality.

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



**231.** Consider the following statements about India-US Bilateral Trade:

1. India has a trade surplus with the USA.
2. India is the largest service importer to the USA.
3. India is not a beneficiary of the duty-free benefits provided under the US Generalised System of Preferences.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only                      B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 3 only                              D. 1, 2 and 3

**232.** Consider the following statements about Exercise Desert Flag-VI:

1. It is an annual multinational warfare exercise of the UAE.
2. Indian Air Force is participating in the exercise for the first time in 2021.

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

**233.** Consider the following statements:

1. Better Than Cash Alliance (BTCA) is a partnership of governments that focuses on abolishing physical cash and providing responsible digital payment options.
2. India became a member of the Better Than Cash Alliance in 2015.

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

**234.** With reference to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), consider the following statements:

1. The secretariat of UNFCCC is located in Germany.
2. The UNFCCC is the parent treaty of the Kyoto Protocol and Paris Agreement.
3. The Paris Agreement is a legally binding international treaty which replaced the Kyoto Protocol.

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

**235.** Consider the following statements regarding the Chabahar Port:

1. It is an Iranian port located in the Persian Gulf.
2. India, Iran and Afghanistan signed a tripartite agreement for the development of Chabahar port in 2016.

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

**236.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Uighur Muslim is an indigenous minority community of China.
2. The largest population of Uighurs live in Xinjiang region of China.
3. The Xinjiang region of China shares borders with India and Pakistan only.

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

**237.** Consider the following statements about Cess:

1. A cess is an additional tax imposed with a purpose of raising funds for a specific task.
2. Article 250 of the Indian Constitution prohibits the sharing of cess with the State Governments.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 1 only                              B. 2 only  
C. Both 1 and 2                      D. Neither 1 nor 2

**238.** Consider the following statements:

1. The European Parliament has declared the European Union as 'LGBTIQ Freedom Zone'.
2. Ireland became the first country to legalise same-sex marriage through public vote.

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

**239.** With reference to United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), consider the following statements:

1. It is devoted to aiding national efforts to improve the health, nutrition, education, and general welfare of children as well as Women.
2. It was awarded the Nobel Prize for Peace in 1965.

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

**240.** With reference to the Indus Water Treaty, 1960, consider the following statements:

1. The treaty was brokered by the United Nations in 1960.
2. India, Pakistan and China have signed this treaty to share the water of river Indus.



3. India has been given the right to generate hydroelectricity from Sutlej, Beas and Ravi rivers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 3 only  
B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 1 and 2 only  
D. 1, 2 and 3

- 241.** Which of the following are a bilateral exercise between the defence forces of India and Japan?

1. JIMEX  
2. SHINYUU  
3. Dharma Guardian  
4. Malabar Exercise

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 4 only  
B. 2 and 4 only  
C. 1 and 3 only  
D. 1, 2 and 3

- 242.** The 'Beijing Declaration', is related to which of the following?

- A. Gender equality and the empowerment of women.  
B. Intellectual property right legislation.  
C. Protection of child rights.  
D. Achieving climate justice.

- 243.** With reference to the Leadership Group for Industry Transition (LeadIT), consider the following statements:

1. It gathers countries and companies that are committed to action to achieve the Paris Agreement.  
2. It was launched by the World Trade Organization in 2019.  
3. It is supported by the World Economic Forum too.

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

- 244.** Consider the following statements about IBSA dialogue forum:

1. It is a tripartite grouping of India, Brazil and South Africa.  
2. The grouping was formalised through the Brasilia Declaration in 2003.  
3. IBSA is headquartered in Cape Town.

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

- 245.** Consider the following statements about Hong Kong:

1. Hong Kong is governed by the principle of one country, two systems.  
2. It was formerly a British colony but was handed over to mainland China in 1997.

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

- 246.** With reference to United Nations Human Rights Council, consider the following statements:

1. The members are not eligible for immediate re-election after serving two consecutive terms.  
2. Some of the members are nominated by the UN General Assembly.

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

- 247.** With reference to the World Trade Organisation (WTO), consider the following statements:

1. All the members of the United Nations Organisation hold the membership of WTO too.  
2. The WTO was established with the signing of the Marrakesh Agreement.

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

- 248.** Consider the following statements about India and Maldives:

1. India and Maldives are member nations of SAARC but not SASEC.  
2. Operation Cactus was the assistance of the Indian Armed Forces to neutralize the coup attempt in Maldives.  
3. Ekuverin is the joint military exercise of India and Maldives.

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

- A. 1 and 2 only  
B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 1 only  
D. 1, 2 and 3

- 249.** The 'New York Convention' is related to which of the following?

- A. Recognition and enforcement of foreign arbitral awards.  
B. Conservation of wetlands.  
C. Legal instrument for the conservation of biological diversity.  
D. Commitment of state parties to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

**250.** Frequently in news, Natanz and Fordow Nuclear Plants are located in?

- A. United Arab Emirates      B. Saudi Arabia  
C. Iran      D. Israel

**251.** Consider the following statements:

- Both Anti Dumping as well as Countervailing duty are a type of customs duty.
- Imposition of anti-dumping measures is considered as an unfair practice by the World Trade Organisation, and is not permitted.
- Anti Dumping duty is a duty on goods that have received government subsidies in the originating or exporting country.

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

- A. 1 only      B. 1 and 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only      D. 1, 2 and 3

**252.** With reference to India's International trade, consider the following statements:

- China is the largest commercial partner for the year 2020.
- Total imports from China are more than India's combined purchases from the USA and the UAE.

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

**253.** With reference to Financial Action Task Force (FATF), consider the following statements:

- It is an inter-governmental body established during the summit of Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).
- Its Secretariat is located at the OECD Headquarters.

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

**254.** Consider the following statements about the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO):

- It is the international organization that brings together the world's securities regulators.
- Both International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) and Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) are the members of IOSCO.

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

**255.** Which of the following international treaties and conventions are signed by India to combat drug menace?

- United Nations (UN) Convention on Narcotic Drugs (1961)
- UN Convention on Psychotropic Substances (1971)
- UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (UNTOC) 2000

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only      B. 2 and 3 only  
C. 1 only      D. 1, 2 and 3

**256.** Consider the following statements:

- UAE, Qatar and Bahrain share the maritime boundary of the Persian Gulf.
- The Solidarity and Stability Deal has been signed among the Gulf Countries at the Gulf Cooperation Council held at Saudi Arabia.
- The Solidarity and Stability Deal is signed to remove all the sanctions over Qatar.

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

**257.** Consider the following statements:

- It is a key country in China's string of pearl's strategy.
- India conducts joint exercise Mitra Shakti with this country.
- It is a member of BIMSTEC and SAARC.

The above statements most appropriately describing which of the following countries?

- A. SriLanka      B. Thailand  
C. Nepal      D. Bangladesh

**258.** Consider the following statements about Mongolia:

- It is a landlocked country bordered by only Russia in the north and China in the south.
- Nomadic- Elephant is a code name of the defence exercise between India and Mongolia.

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

**259.** With reference to Japan's Official Development Assistance (ODA) loan to India, consider the following statements:

1. It is an interest free loan with a repayment period of 15 years.
2. It supports the Indian government's programmes such as Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana (PMGKY).

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

**260.** Consider the following statements:

1. China is the largest overseas investor in the Maldives, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka.
2. Bhutan does not have diplomatic relations with 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

**261.** Consider the following statements about United Nations Security Council (UNSC):

1. The UNSC consists of 5 permanent and 10 non-permanent members.
2. Five non-permanent members are elected every year by the General Assembly for a two-year term.
3. India has entered as a non-permanent member of UNSC for the first time during 2011-12.

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

- A. 1 and 2 only              B. 2 only  
C. 3 only                      D. 2 and 3 only

**262.** Consider the following statements:

1. Oman shares its land borders with UAE, Yemen and Saudi Arabia only.
2. Al Najah is the Army Exercise between India and Oman.

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

**263.** Consider the following statements:

1. The Open Skies Treaty between two countries provides rights for airlines to offer international passenger and cargo services.
2. Open Sky agreement allows a member State to undertake surveillance on any part of the host nation.

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

**264.** With reference to the International Energy Agency (IEA), consider the following statements:

1. The IEA is an autonomous organisation established in the framework of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).
2. The Clean Energy Transitions Programme (CETP) was launched by the IEA in 2017.

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

**265.** Which of the following countries/ organizations will participate in the West Asia Peace Conference?

1. Palestine                      2. Egypt
3. United Nations              4. Russia

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only              B. 2 and 4 only  
C. 3 and 4 only              D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

**266.** With reference to World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS), consider the following statements:

1. It is the annual flagship event of the UN Environment Programme(UNEP).
2. It has been conceptualized as a single platform to accelerate action towards sustainable development and climate change.

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

**267.** Consider the following statements:

1. Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreements (CEPA) are more comprehensive than Free Trade Agreements.
2. CEPA also looks into the regulatory aspect of trade and encompasses an agreement covering the regulatory issues.

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

**268.** India conducts the Exercise Eastern Bridge with which of the following countries?

- A. Singapore                      B. Oman  
C. Maldives                      D. France

**269.** Consider the following statements:

1. G20 includes the representatives of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.
2. The Union Minister of Foreign Affairs is the "G20 Sherpa" of India.
3. Turkey and Mexico are among the G20 countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only                      B. 2 only  
C. 2 and 3 only                      D. 1 and 3 only

**270.** With reference to MILAN Exercise, consider the following statements:

1. It is a multilateral Naval Exercise conducted by the members of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO).
2. MILAN 2022 will be conducted in the East China Sea.

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

**271.** The 'Yuelu Proclamation' often seen in news is related to?

- A. Protect linguistic resources and diversity  
B. Protection of refugees from Afghanistan  
C. Ending the AIDS epidemic as a public health threat by 2030.  
D. Protection of migratory species

**272.** The Riyadh Summit held in October 2020 was associated with making post-pandemic commitments regarding economic development. The summit was an initiative of which of the following groupings?

- A. G20 Countries  
B. OIC (Organisation of Islamic Cooperation)  
C. GCC (Gulf Cooperation Council)  
D. OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development)

**273.** With reference to the Organization of the Islamic Conference, consider the following statements:

1. It was established by the First Islamic Summit Conference held in Morocco in 1969.
2. Its Headquarters is in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

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

**274.** 'Nord Stream Pipeline', recently in the news, is a -

- A. Gas pipeline under Persian gulf connecting Qatar and Iran.  
B. Gas pipeline under Atlantic ocean connecting North America to Europe.  
C. Gas pipeline under Baltic sea connecting Russia to other parts of Europe.  
D. Gas pipeline under Pacific ocean connecting North America to Russia.