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- 1. Regarding the Stockholm Convention, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a global treaty to protect human health and the environment from Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs).
 - 2. It aims to clean up old stockpiles and equipment containing Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs).
 - 3. India does not ratify the Stockholm Convention.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2, and 3 only
- 2. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Meteorological Drought is based on the impact of rainfall deficits on the water supply.
 - 2. Socioeconomic Drought refers to the impact of drought conditions on supply and demand of economic goods.

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
- 3. According to their number of Ramsar sites, arrange the following states in decreasing order.
 - 1. Tamil Nadu
 - 2. Gujarat
 - 3. Jammu and Kashmir
 - 4. Assam

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 4-3-2-1
- B. 1-3-2-4
- C. 3-4-1-2
- D. 1-3-4-2
- 4. Which of the following statements regarding India's Renewable Targets is/are correct?
 - 1. To reduce India's total projected carbon emission by 1 billion tonnes by 2030.
 - 2. Achieve net-zero carbon emissions by 2060.
 - 3. To reduce the carbon intensity of the nation's economy by less than 45% till 2050.

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

- 5. With reference to Pangong Tso lake, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is located in the state of Uttarakhand.
 - 2. It is the world's highest saltwater lake.
 - 3. One-third of Pangong Lake lies in India and the other two-thirds in Nepal.

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 only
- **6.** Consider the following environmental factors:
 - 1. High relative humidity
 - 2. Huge Cloud cover
 - 3. low temperature
 - 4. slow winds

The phenomenon of Cloudburst induced by which of the following?

- A. 1, 2 and 4 only
- B. 2, 3, and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 7. Consider the following statements with reference to the Forest Rights Act, (FRA), 2006:
 - 1. FRA allows the community to formulate rules for use of forest produce itself.
 - 2. These rights give the authority to the Gram Sabha to adopt local traditional practices of forest conservation.

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.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Modern wind power is considered to have been first developed in the United Kingdom.
 - 2. Onshore wind energy refers to the deployment of wind farms inside the water bodies.

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



- 9. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. El Nino events represent periods of below-average sea surface temperatures across the east-central Equatorial Pacific.
 - 2. La Nina is a climate pattern that describes the unusual warming of surface waters in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean.
 - 3. El Nino also impacts the speed and strength of ocean currents.

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

C. 3 only

- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 10. Consider the following statements about 'UNFCCC':
 - The UNFCCC came into existence at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development in 1992.
 - Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) was established by the virtue of UNFCCC.

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 statements is/are correct?
 - 1. The IUCN has designated the status of Black Rhino as Critically Endangered.
 - 2. The habitat of Black Rhino includes Semi-Desert Savannah, Woodlands, Forests, Wetlands.

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
- 12. Consider the following statements regarding 'Heat Waves':
 - A heatwave is defined as a station's peak temperature reaching at least 40°C for both the Plains and the Hills
 - India has recognized the heat wave as a natural disaster.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- **13.** Which of the following National Parks are located in Odisha?
 - 1. Nandankanan Zoological Park
 - 2. Simlipal National Park
 - 3. Bhitarkanika National Park
 - 4. Debrigarh Wildlife Sanctuary

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- **14.** Consider the following statements regarding the Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion (OTEC) Plant:
 - 1. It uses a temperature difference of at least 77°F to power a turbine to produce electricity.
 - 2. Its system uses seawater as working fluid.
 - 3. OTEC plants can't work at night.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

C. 3 only

- D. 1, 2 and 3
- **15.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)?
 - 1. It is a legally binding treaty.
 - 2. It operates under the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP).

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
- **16.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Mangrove Forest':
 - 1. Sundarbans in West Bengal are the largest mangrove forest regions in the world.
 - 2. Mangroves produce special roots called pneumatophores for breathing.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **17.** Consider the following statements regarding Lions:
 - 1. African lions are slightly smaller than Asiatic lions.
 - 2. Asiatic Lion is a critically endangered species.
 - 3. Gir National Park is the only natural habitat of Asiatic

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 2 and 3 only

C. 3 only

D. 1 and 3 only



- **18.** Consider the following:
 - 1. Srivilliputhur Elephant Reserve
 - 2. Wayanad Elephant Reserve
 - 3. Agasthyamalai Elephant Reserve
 - 4. Anamudi Elephant Reserve

Which of elephant reserves give above is/are located in Tamil Nadu?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 1 and 4 only
- C. 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 19. Consider the following statements regarding Air uality and Health in Cities Report:
 - 1. Delhi and Bengaluru are the top two most polluted cities in terms of PM 2.5 levels.
 - 2. No Indian city appeared among top 20 polluted cities in terms of NO, Levels.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 20. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Water bodies beyond 200 nautical miles of a country's shoreline are considered as High Seas.
 - 2. The high seas are prime territory for the discovery of potent pharmaceuticals.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 21. With reference to the Asiatic Lion, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Asiatic Lion can only be found in Gir National
 - 2. The IUCN status of Asiatic Lion is Vulnerable.
 - 3. Habitat loss is the greatest threat to the population of the Asiatic Lion.

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
- 22. Consider the following statements regarding "Crassulacean Acid Metabolism (CAM)":
 - 1. It's a CO₂ fixation process in plants.
 - 2. CAM plants grow under extremely dry conditions.

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. Coral reefs are formed when the freely moving larvae of corals attach themselves to hard surfaces near the coastlines.
 - 2. The slight salt in ocean waters is harmful for the coral polyps.

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
- **24.** Consider the following pairs:

Sustainable Development Description Goals (SDG)

1. SDG-1

- : No Poverty
- 2. SDG-13
- : Climate Action

3. SDG-6

: Clean water and sanitation

4. SDG-17

- : Partnerships for the
- Goals
- Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- A. Only one pair
- B. Only two pairs
- C. Only three pairs
- D. All four pairs
- 25. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. 'Panchamrit' is India's initiative to combat climate change at the UNFCCC COP26 in Glasgow.
 - 2. According to enhanced climate change targets for 2030, non-fossil fuel sources would account for half of India's installed electricity generation capacity.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **26.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. "Protection of Wildlife" was transferred from State to Concurrent List of Indian Constitution by the 42nd Amendment Act, 1976.
 - 2. It is a fundamental duty of every Indian citizen to protect and improve the natural environment including forests and Wildlife.

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



- **27.** Consider the following statements with reference to 'Blue Carbon':
 - 1. It refers to carbon absorbed solely by Blue-Green algae only.
 - 2. Blue Carbon is a natural climatic solution for addressing global cooling.

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 28. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Tiger is listed as 'Endangered' on the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species.
 - 2. Caspian tiger, Javan tiger and Bali tiger are extinct subspecies of tigers.
 - Manas National Park is the largest tiger reserve in India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 29. Consider the following statements regarding Loktak Lake:
 - 1. It is the largest freshwater lake in Northeast India.
 - 2. It is not listed under Montreux record.
 - 3. It is situated inside the Keibul Lamjao National Park.

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
- **30.** Consider the following Pairs regarding Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs):

	SDGs		Objectives
1.	SDG 1	:	No Poverty
2.	SDG 2	:	Zero Hunger
3.	SDG 11	:	Reduce Inequality
4.	SDG 14	:	Life on Land

How many pairs given above are correctly matched?

- A. Only one pair
- B. Only two pairs
- C. Only three pairs
- D. All four pairs

- **31.** With reference to Agasthyamala Biosphere Reserve, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is located in the Eastern Ghats.
 - 2. It is a unique genetic reservoir for cultivated plants, particularly cardamom, jamune, nutmeg, pepper, and plantain.
 - 3. Shendurney and Peppara wildlife sanctuaries are a part of this reserve.

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
- **32.** Consider the following statements in context of Plastic Waste Management (PWM) rules:
 - The concept of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) was introduced under Plastic Waste Management rules 2016.
 - 2. The PWM rule 2021 provided legal force to EPR for its effective implementation.

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
- **33.** Consider the following statements with reference to 'Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM)':
 - 1. CAQM is established under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.
 - Commission for Air Quality Management in National Capital Region and Adjoining Areas, Act 2021 dissolved the Environment Protection Act, 1986.

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.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Green Pit Vipers is a neurotoxic venomous snake.
 - Neurotoxic venom prevents blood from clotting and leads to internal bleeding.

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



- Framework':
 - 1. It is related to environmental, technological and biological hazards and risks.
 - 2. It was endorsed by the UN General Assembly in

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **36.** Snow leopard cannot be found in which of the following?
 - A. Gorumara National Park
 - B. Hemis National Park
 - C. Gangotri National Park
 - D. Great Himalayan National Park
- 37. Consider the following statements regarding 'Monarch Butterflies':
 - 1. They are essential pollinators and provide various ecosystem services.
 - 2. They breed in only the Milkweeds plant.
 - 3. They are found in the Indian Subcontinent only.

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
- **38.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. 89% of ground water extracted is used in the irrigation sector in India.
 - 2. Water is on the Central list.
 - 3. The activities related to the regulation of groundwater development in the country are being looked after by the Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 2 and 3 only
- **39.** Consider the following statements regarding "Ramsar Convention":
 - 1. It is an intergovernmental environmental treaty established by UNESCO in 1971.
 - 2. Sundarbans in West Bengal is the largest Ramsar site in India.
 - 3. No other South Asian country has as many Ramsar sites as India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

A. 1 only

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

- 35. Consider the following statements about 'Sendai | 40. Consider the following statements regarding 'Climate Financing':
 - 1. It seeks to support mitigation and adaptation actions that will address climate change.
 - 2. Climate Finance supports Common but Differentiated Responsibility and Respective Capabilities.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **41.** With reference to the Environmental Impact Assessment Notification 2006, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It classified the developmental projects into Category A and Category B.
 - 2. Category A projects are appraised by the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA) and State Level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC).
 - 3. Environment Impact Assessment in India is statutorily backed by the Environment Protection Act, 1986.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1 and 3 only
- **42.** Consider the following statements with reference to the forest fire incidents in India:
 - 1. There has been a ten-fold increase in forest fires in the past two decades.
 - 2. Mizoram has had the highest number of forest fire incidences in the last two decades.
 - 3. Andhra Pradesh, Assam, and Maharashtra are the most prone to high-intensity forest fire events caused by rapid change in climate.

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
- **43.** Consider the following statements regarding "Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972":
 - 1. It extends to whole of India, including Jammu and Kashmir.
 - 2. The Central Zoo Authority and the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) are the bodies constituted under this act.
 - 3. The state governments are entitled to appoint Wildlife Wardens in each district.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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



- **44.** Consider the following statements with reference to Red Panda:
 - 1. It is the state animal of Sikkim.
 - It is listed as critically endangered in the IUCN Red list.
 - 3. It is protected under Appendix I of CITES.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- **45.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Western Ghats?
 - Doddabetta Peak is the highest peak of the Western Ghats.
 - The mountains of the Western Ghats are Block Mountains.
 - 3. It is recognized as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Choose the correct statement using the codes given below:
 - A. 1, 2 and 3
 - B. 1 and 2 only
 - C. 2 and 3 only
 - D. 1 and 3 only
- 46. Which one of the following best describes 'Chekurinji'?
 - A. It's a fish species of Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary.
 - B. It's a plant species endemic to the Agastyamala Biosphere reserve.
 - C. It's a recently discovered ancient Human Species.
 - D. It's a species of insect native to East Africa.
- **47.** With reference to the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It was enacted under Article 253 of the Indian Constitution.
 - 2. Central government as per the Act has the power to direct the closure, prohibition or regulation of any industry, operation or process.
 - 3. Non-compliance or Contravention to any of the provisions of the Act is considered as an offence.

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

- **48.** With reference to Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure, consider the following statements:
 - It was launched at the United Nations Climate Action Summit in New York.
 - 2. It is the Government of India's first major global initiative related to climate change and disaster resilience issues.
 - 3. Asian Development Bank (ADB), World Bank Group and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) are its members.

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
- **49.** With reference to Snow Leopard, consider the following statements:
 - 1. They are sometimes referred to as "Ghosts of Mountain".
 - 2. Their International Union for Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) Red List status is Near Threatened.
 - 3. In India, they are found only in Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 2 only
- B. 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 2 and 3 only
- **50.** Which of the following objectives is **not** a part of the Ude Desh Ka Aam Naagrik (UDAN) scheme?
 - A. To make international connectivity affordable.
 - B. Creating employment opportunities in the aviation sector.
 - Encouraging private investment in the aviation sector.
 - D. It will help in promoting economic activity in underdeveloped regions.
- **51.** Consider the following statements regarding "Particulate Matter (PM)":
 - 1. Particulate Matter is also called as Particle Pollution.
 - 2. Particulate Matter is the result of complex reactions of chemicals only.

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



- **52.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Nagarjunasagar Srisailam Tiger Reserve (NSTR) is situated on the Pachamalai Hills.
 - 2. The Krishna River passes through Nagarjunasagar Srisailam Tiger Reserve.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 53. Consider the following statements regarding the Western Ghats:
 - 1. These ghats are also known as the Sahyadri Hills.
 - 2. It is one of four global biodiversity hotspots in India.
 - 3. The Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve forms the largest contiguous protected area in the Western Ghats.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- **54.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Dredging':
 - 1. Dredging is the process of accumulation of sediments in the bottom of the water bodies.
 - 2. The dredging process is subject to the provisions of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 1994.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **55.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is mandatory for the developmental projects under the Environmental Protection Act 1986.
 - 2. Public Hearing is a mandatory process before conducting EIA at site of the developmental projects.

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
- 56. Consider the following statements about Indian Star Tortoise:
 - 1. They are found in only in India and Sri-Lanka.
 - 2. The IUCN status of the tortoise is Vulnerable.

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. With reference to Binturong, sometimes seen in the news, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is the State bird of Nagaland.
 - 2. It is a catlike omnivore of the civet family found in dense forests of Southeast Asia.
 - 3. Presently, it is listed as critically endangered in the **IUCN** Red List.

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
- **58.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Asian Waterbird Census':
 - 1. It is a citizen-science programme supporting the conservation and management of wetlands.
 - 2. In India, AWC is coordinated by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC).

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
- **59.** Consider the following statements regarding 'India Cooling Action Plan (ICAP)':
 - 1. ICAP intended to reduce ozone-depleting substances in line with the Montreal Protocol.
 - 2. This plan is encouraging Sulphur based fuel to reduce global warming by inducing global cooling.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **60.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Hornbills are found in tropical and subtropical Africa and Asia.
 - 2. Hornbills are the cultural symbols of the Meitei community of Manipur.
 - 3. Hornbills are poached for the medicinal value of their body parts.

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
- **61.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. IUCN status of whale shark is Endangered.
 - 2. The Ocean: Life and Livelihoods, is the theme of International Whale Shark Day 2022.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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



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- **62.** What is the primary objective of the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP)?
 - 1. To frame a national framework for air quality management with a time-bound reduction target.
 - To achieve a 20-30% reduction in only PM 2.5 concentrations.

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
- **63.** Soul of Steel' challenge, recently in the news, is related to expeditions in which of the following national parks?
 - A. Bandhavgarh National Park
 - B. Kaziranga National Park
 - C. Nagarhole National Park
 - D. Nanda Devi National Park
- **64.** Consider the following statements with respect to 'Cloud Seeding':
 - 1. The silver iodide acts as a condensation nucleus to aid in the Cloud Seeding.
 - Cloud seeding is used as a method for enhancing winter snowfall.

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
- **65.** The term Virovore is sometimes mentioned in News. Which of the following correctly define the given term:
 - A. An organism that eats viruses.
 - B. A carcinogenic pesticide banned by UN FPO.
 - A neurogenic disorder that affecting Russian and Ukrainian soldiers.
 - D. None of the above
- **66.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Dugong is the only existing species of herbivorous mammal that lives exclusively in the sea.
 - In India, dugongs are found only in the Gulf of Mannar.
 - Dugongs are listed as critically endangered in the IUCN Red List.

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

- **67.** According to the IUCN Red List, Asian elephants are classified as?
 - A. Endangered
 - B. Critically Endangered
 - C. Extinct in the Wild
 - D. Vulnerable
- **68.** Phytorid technology, recently in the news, is related to which of the following?
 - A. Wastewater treatment
 - B. Machine Learning
 - C. DNA fingerprinting
 - D. Stubble burning
- **69.** Which of the following statements about the Paris Climate Agreement is **not** true?
 - A. It is a legally binding treaty that requires countries to take specific actions to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions.
 - B. It aims to limit global warming to well below 2 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels.
 - C. It requires developed countries to provide financial assistance to developing countries to help them transition to low-carbon economies.
 - D. It allows countries to set their own targets for reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- **70.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary':
 - 1. It shares its borders with the other protected areas of Mudumalai Tiger Reserve in the North-East side.
 - 2. Kabini river which is a tributary of Cauvery River flows through the sanctuary.

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
- **71.** Consider the following statements:
 - Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol aims to stop the production of substances causing ozonedepletion.
 - 2. India is a signatory to the Gothenburg Protocol (1999) which aims to reduce ground level Ozone.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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



- **72.** With respect to the Coastal Red Sand Dunes, consider the following statements:
 - 1. These are also known as 'Erra Matti Dibbalu'.
 - 2. It was declared a geo-heritage site by the Geological Survey of India (GSI).
 - 3. They do not occur in equatorial regions.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- **73.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Photochemical smog is formed by the reaction of nitrogen oxides (NOx) and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in the absence of sunlight.
 - 2. Ground level ozone is the primary constituent of the smog.

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
- **74.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Shendurney Wildlife Sanctuary is a protected area located in the Eastern Ghats of India.
 - 2. The sanctuary is also a part of the proposed Agasthyamala Biosphere Reserve.

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
- 75. Which of the following statements regarding Indian Skimmers is/are correct?
 - 1. They are also known as Indian scissors bill.
 - 2. They are more widespread in summer.
 - 3. They are found mainly in eastern and western India.
 - 4. Their IUCN status is vulnerable.

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 and 3 only
- **76.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. World Wildlife Day is celebrated every year on the 3rd of March.
 - 2. Recovering key species for ecosystem restoration was the theme for World Wildlife Day 2022.

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

- **77.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Great Barrier Reef makes up about 10% of the world's coral reef ecosystems.
 - 2. This reef structure is built by billions of tiny organisms, known as coral polyps.
 - 3. The corals and algae have a symbiotic relationship.

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
- 78. The Kaziranga National Park in the state of Assam is the single largest undisturbed and representative area in the Brahmaputra Valley floodplain. It has been declared as a:
 - 1. Tiger Reserve
 - 2. UNESCO World Heritage Site
 - 3. Important Bird Area (as per BirdLife International)
 - 4. Ramsar Site

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1, 2 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- **79.** Consider the following statements regarding Cheetah:
 - 1. African Cheetah is Critically Endangered but Asiatic Cheetah is Vulnerable in IUCN Red list.
 - 2. Namibia has the world's largest population of cheetahs.

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 pairs:

National Park State/UT 1. Hemis National Park Ladakh 2. South Button Island National Park: Goa 3. Mollem National Park Assam 4. Valmiki National Park Bihar Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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



- 81. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a region of warm temperatures year-round and with its highest seasonal rainfall in the summer.
 - It is characterized by grasses and small or dispersed trees that do not form a closed canopy, allowing sunlight to reach the ground.
 - 3. It is found in Africa, South America, Australia, India, Myanmar, Thailand and Madagascar.

Which of the following ecosystems is described in the above mentioned statements?

A. Taiga

- B. Tundra
- C. Savannah
- D. Tropical rain forests
- **82.** With respect to the Meizotropis pellita, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is commonly known as Patwa.
 - The species is listed as endangered in the IUCN red list.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 83. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Lion-tailed Macaque is classified as Critically Endangered under the IUCN Red List.
 - 2. The lion-tailed macaque is endemic to the evergreen forests of the Western Ghats.

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
- **84.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Great Indian Bustards (GIB)':
 - 1. The Great Indian Bustard is listed in Schedule I of the Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
 - 2. GIB is found in grasslands of Kutch in Gujarat.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **85.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Flood Plain Zoning has been recognized as an effective structural measure for flood management.
 - 2. The basic concept of flood plain zoning is to regulate land use in the flood plains to restrict the damage caused by floods.

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

- **86.** With reference to the World Heritage Sites, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It refers to any of the various areas or objects inscribed on UNESCO's World Heritage List.
 - 2. The list comprises cultural heritage sites only.
 - 3. Recently, Vadnagar, a city in Gujrat, has been added to the tentative list of world heritage sites.

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 only
- **87.** Consider the following statements about Skyglow:
 - 1. It is the brightening of the night sky caused by artificial lighting, primarily from streetlights, buildings, and advertising billboards.
 - 2. It is one of the components of light pollution.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **88.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. According to the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species, the cheetah (Acinonyx jubatus) is considered Critically Endangered.
 - 2. The cheetah (Acinonyx jubatus), the world's fastest cat, has been included in CITES Appendix I.

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
- **89.** Which among the following are called Rainforests of the Ocean?
 - A. Zooplanktons
- B. Corals
- C. Phytoplankton's
- D. Algae
- **90.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. An area is considered as forest cover if it has a tree canopy density of more than 10% and a minimum area of 1 hectare.
 - 2. LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) is used in forest canopy density by measuring the height of trees.

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



- **91.** Consider the following statements about Kelp Forests:
 - 1. They are underwater ecosystems formed in deep water by the dense growth of several different
 - 2. They thrive in cold, nutrient-rich waters.

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 92. Consider the following statements about Noble's Helen butterfly:
 - 1. They are found only in Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam.
 - 2. It was recorded for the first time in India in Kerala.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 93. Consider the following statements regarding 'Mudumalai Tiger Reserve (MTR)':
 - 1. Senna spectabilis is a native species of Mudumalai Tiger Reserve.
 - 2. Mudumalai Tiger Reserve (MTR) is located at the tri-junction of three states Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu.

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
- 94. Consider the following statements about Water Hyacinth:
 - 1. It is a fast-growing aquatic plant that can quickly take over bodies of water.
 - 2. It is native to Australia and has naturalised itself in many other parts of the world.

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

- **95.** Consider the following statements regarding Saltwater crocodiles:
 - 1. The IUCN status of Saltwater crocodiles is vulnerable.
 - 2. They are found in India, Vietnam and southern China.
 - 3. It is one of the three crocodiles native to the Indian Subcontinent.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 3 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- **96.** With reference to Deepor Beel Wetland, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is one of the largest Saltwater lakes in Assam.
 - 2. It has been designated as Ramsar Site.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **97.** Consider the following statements regarding Blackbucks:
 - 1. It has been declared as the State Animal of Rajasthan.
 - 2. The IUCN status of blackbuck is "least concern".

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
- **98.** With reference to the causation of Heat Dome, consider the following question:
 - 1. A heat Dome occurs when heat waves begin that is when low pressure in the atmosphere moves in and pushes warm air toward the ground.
 - 2. Climate change has increased the occurrence of heat domes.

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.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Emission reduction turns into tradable assets through the carbon market.
 - 2. Carbon credits are based on the "cap-and-trade"

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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



- 100. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. All the five species of rhinos are found in Asia.
 - 2. The IUCN status of black rhinos is critically endangered.
 - 3. The Great One-Horned Rhino is also known as Indian Rhino.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1 and 3 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 andd 3 C. Both
- **101.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - Climate Forcing Pathway is a set of policies, technologies, and behaviors aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions and mitigating the impacts of climate change.
 - 2. Predictive Climate Modeling is based on Artificial Neural Network (ANN) inspired by the structure and function of the human brain.

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
- 102. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Coronal Holes are regions on the sun's surface from where fast solar wind gushes out into space.
 - 2. Coronal Holes once formed, cannot be removed from the space, making them a permanent formation.

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
- **103.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - Hydroponic systems are a type of technology used in urban farming that allow plants to be grown without soil.
 - Nutrient Film Technique (NFT) is a type of hydroponic system.

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

- **104.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Magnetic particles can interfere with the migratory patterns of birds by disrupting their magnetic navigation system.
 - 2. Magnetic nanoparticles can enter in to brain of human beings and generate free radicals.

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
- **105.** Consider the following statements regarding "Indian Rhinoceroses":
 - 1. It is the only species of rhino which is found in India.
 - 2. It is the largest of all the rhino species.

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
- **106.** With reference to Amur Falcons, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is the world's longest-travelling raptor.
 - 2. It gets its name from the Amur River which forms the border between Russia and China.
 - 3. It is International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) red list status is least concern.
 - 4. It is protected under Schedule IV of the Indian Wildlife Protection Act 1972.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 4 only
- C. 3 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4
- **107.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. World Wetlands Day (WWD) is celebrated every year on 2nd February.
 - 2. The 2023 theme for World Wetlands Day is 'Wetland Restoration'.
 - 3. India has the largest network of Ramsar Sites in Asia.

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



- **108.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Keoladeo | **113.** Which of the following about Pangolins is **not** correct? National Park':
 - 1. Phumid is a special feature found only in the Keoladeo National Park.
 - 2. The national park is an important wintering ground of Palaearctic migratory waterfowl.

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 109. With reference to E-20 fuel, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a blend of 20% ethanol with diesel.
 - 2. It can reduce the vehicle's performance.

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 about 'Black Soldier Fly':
 - 1. It belongs to Stratiomyidae family that is commonly found in many parts of the world.
 - 2. They have high waste-to-biomass conversion efficiency.

Which of the statements given below is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **111.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Omorgus Khandesh beetle is known as a keratin beetle and is classified as necrophagous.
 - 2. The arthropods which feed directly on dead remains are called necrophagous.

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
- **112.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Lead is added to gasoline to increase its octane rating, which is a measure of the fuel's ability to resist "knocking" or detonation in an engine.
 - 2. Gasoline, which is a mixture of hydrocarbons, such as alkanes, cycloalkanes, and aromatic compounds, also acts as a source of lead pollution.

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

- - A. They play a vital role in aerating and adding moisture to the soil.
 - B. All pangolin species are listed in Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) Appendix I.
 - C. Pangolins are among the most trafficked wild mammals, globally, traded mostly in Europe.
 - D. They are adaptable to a wide range of habitats including primary and secondary tropical forests.
- **114.** With reference to Rhododendron, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Rhododendron is a genus of flowering plants found only in south Asia.
 - 2. They contain dark-coloured flowers and are prevalent in ornamental plants in gardens and parks.
 - 3. Rhododendron arboretum is the state flower of

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 only
- **115.** Consider the following statements about BBNJ Treaty:
 - 1. It is an international agreement on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction.
 - 2. It is being developed within the framework of the
 - 3. It was launched at the UN Biodiversity Conference.

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
- **116.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) is listed under the Societies Registration Act, 1860.
 - 2. The National Ganga Council which implements NMCG is chaired by the Union Minister of Jal Shakt.

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



- 117. Which of the following statements about Dickinsonia is | 121. Which of the following statements is/are correct? true?
 - A. It is a type of dinosaur that lived during the Jurassic period.
 - B. It is a species of flowering plant that existed during the Cretaceous period.
 - C. It is an extinct animal that lived during the Ediacaran period.
 - D. It is a type of marine invertebrate that existed during the Cambrian period.
- 118. Which of the following statements about Hummingbird is/are correct?
 - 1. It is native to American continent.
 - 2. India's Sunbirds can be likened to these birds.
 - 3. Aztecs referred to them as Huitzilin or 'A ray of sun'. Select the correct answer using the code given:
 - A. 1 and 2 only
 - B. 2 only
 - C. 2 and 3 only
 - D. 1, 2 and 3
- 119. With reference to the Olive ridley, consider the following
 - 1. They are the smallest and most abundant of all sea turtles found in the world.
 - 2. They are best known for their unique mass nesting called Arribada.
 - 3. They are found in warm waters of the Pacific, Atlantic and Indian oceans.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- **120.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a non-renewable fuel obtained by purifying Coal
 - 2. It is a cleaner alternative to fuels such as petrol and

Which of the statements above is/are correct regarding BioCNG?

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

- - 1. According to the provisional State of the Global Climate report 2022, CO₃ and CH₄ concentrations are growing while NO₂ concentrations are decreasing.
 - 2. Countries committed to reduce global methane emissions by at least 30% by 2030 at the Glasgow climate change summit.

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
- 122. Consider the following statements regarding 'Xenotransplantation':
 - 1. It involves the transplantation of the tissues or organs of one human into another human.
 - 2. Gene editing is used in this process to reduce the likelihood of organ rejection.

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
- **123.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. A new species of estuarine crab which is known as 'Pseudohelice Annamalai' has been discovered in the Parangipettai mangroves of Kerala.
 - 2. The new species is found across the Indian Subcontinent and the western Pacific Ocean.

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
- **124.** With reference to Carbon credit, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a credit for greenhouse emissions reduced or removed from the atmosphere.
 - 2. They are based on the "cap-and-trade" model.
 - 3. One carbon credit is equal to one metric ton of carbon dioxide.

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



- **125.** Consider the following statements regarding "Particulate | **130.** Consider the following statements: Matter (PM)":
 - 1. Particulate Matter is also called as Particle Pollution.
 - 2. Particulate Matter is the result of complex reactions of chemicals only.

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **126.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. It is not necessary for a nation to designate a wetland to be included in the List of Wetland of International Importance when it ratifies the Ramsar convention.
 - 2. Wetlands serve as a filter for cleaning water and act like buffer against floods.

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
- 127. With respect to the Paris Agreement, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It seeks to limit global warming to well below 2°C compared to pre-industry levels.
 - 2. It works on a 5- year cycle of increasingly ambitious climate action carried out by countries.
 - 3. Nearly all signatories to this agreement updated their climate commitments during COP26.

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
- 128. Consider the following statements regarding "Red-Eared Slider Turtles":
 - 1. The species is native to South-Eastern USA.
 - 2. They can accept high levels of organic pollutants.
 - 3. The species breeds comparatively slower than other local turtle varieties.

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
- **129.** The Operation Olivia is related to the protection of which of the following?
 - A. Dolphin
 - B. Crocodile
 - C. Turtle
 - D. Gharial

- - 1. Shallow-water mining takes place at depths less than 200 metres.
 - 2. It is considered a low-risk and low-cost option to extract metals and minerals.

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
- **131.** Regarding the Asiatic caracal, consider the following statements:
 - 1. They are found mostly in southern Indian states like Tamil Nadu etc.
 - 2. They are abundant in India.
 - 3. They are in the Least Concern status of the IUCN Red List.

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 only
- **132.** With reference to the Montreal Protocol, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is the only UN treaty ever that has been ratified by every country on Earth.
 - 2. The Kigali Amendment to the protocol aims for the gradual reduction of hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) by cutting their production and consumption.

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
- **133.** Regarding the Ozone Layer, consider the following statements:
 - 1. 90% of ozone occurs naturally in the Thermosphere.
 - 2. Methyl bromide is an Ozone-Depleting Substance (ODS).

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
- **134.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Ganges river dolphin can only live in freshwater and is essentially blind.
 - 2. The Gangetic dolphins are a reliable indicator of the health of the entire river ecosystem.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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



- **135.** Consider the following statements with reference to the | **140.** Consider the following statements:: Sloth Bears:
 - 1. They are protected as Critically Endangered species on the IUCN Red List.
 - 2. They are found in India, and they do not hibernate.

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 136. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. As per Elephant Census (2017), Karnataka, Assam and Kerala are the top 3 three states of India in terms of having the highest number of elephants.
 - 2. Both the Asian elephant as well as the African Bush elephant are listed as endangered in the IUCN Red List.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 137. With reference to the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), consider the following statements:
 - 3. It is a statutory organisation.
 - 4. It was constituted under the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974.
 - 5. The National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQs) are notified by the CPCB.

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
- 138. Which of the following is/are correct regarding Coir Geotextile?
 - 1. It is naturally resistant to rot, molds and moisture.
 - 2. It is a permeable and natural fabric but not highly durable.
 - 3. It is totally biodegradable.

Select the correct answers using the code given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 139. Minam ata Convention has been recently in the news. It is related to which of the following?
 - A. Access to Black Sea
- B. Melting of Arctic
- C. Mercury pollution
- D. Allocation of orbit

- - 1. 20th March every year is observed as World Sparrow
 - 2. Sparrows are only found in the Indian Sub-Continent.

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.** With reference to Africa's Boma Technique, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It involves luring animals into an enclosure by chasing them through a funnel-like fencing.
 - 2. It was used recently at the Keoladeo National Park in Rajasthan.

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
- 142. With reference to the Paris climate agreement, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Paris climate agreement replaced the Kyoto Protocol.
 - 2. It aims to limit global warming to well below 2.5°C compared to pre-industry levels.

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
- 143. Consider the following statements regarding "Methane":
 - 1. Methane is produced by the breakdown or decay of organic material.
 - 2. It is responsible for creating stratospheric ozone.
 - 3. It doesn't last long in the atmosphere before it breaks down.

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
- **144.** With reference to Monkey pox, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Monkey pox is a viral zoonotic disease.
 - 2. It causes lymphadenopathy.

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



- **145.** Consider the following statements regarding the Desert | **150.** Consider the following statements: Fox:
 - 1. It is the third sub-species of red fox in India.
 - 2. Its range does not overlap with that of other red fox subspecies.
 - 3. It is listed as endangered in the IUCN Red List.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- **146.** Consider the following pairs:

Initiative

Aim

- 1. Delhi Declaration 2019: Better access and
 - stewardship over land.
- : Efforts to fight against 2. Bonn Challenge

land degradation and revive native plant life to

the landscape.

3. Great Green Wall : To bring 150 million

hectares of the world's deforested and degraded land into restoration by

2020.

Which of the pairs given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 1 and 2 only

C. 3 only

- D. 2 and 3 only
- 147. Which of the following species of Vultures do not have the Critically Endangered status on the IUCNs Red List?
 - A. Slender Billed Vulture
- B. Egyptian Vulture
- C. Red-Headed Vulture
- D. Long-Billed Vulture
- 148. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. A hypersonic missile flies at at-least five times the speed of sound.
 - 2. The manoeuvrability of the hypersonic missile sets it apart from a ballistic missile.

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.** The species named 'Syllipsimopodi bideni' recently seen in the news is related to?
 - A. An oldest-known relative of octopus.
 - B. A new species of salamander.
 - C. A tiniest group of primates in the world.
 - D. A wasp species in the Andean cloud forests.

- - 1. The Gangetic dolphins are listed as endangered in the IUCN Red List.
 - 2. The Vikramshila Ganges Dolphin Sanctuary has been established in Bihar.
 - 3. National Ganga River Dolphin Day is celebrated on 5th October every year.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 1 and 2 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- **151.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Ganga was declared as the 'National River' of India in 2008.
 - 2. Ganga Action Plan was the first River Action Plan that was taken up by the MoEFCC to improve the water quality.

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.** With reference to Chilika lake, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Chilika Lake is Asia's largest lagoon.
 - 2. Irrawaddy Dolphins are endemic species.

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
- **153.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. India has promised to cut its emissions to net zero bv 2070.
 - 2. India aspires to maximize the use of electric vehicles, ethanol blending to reach 20% by 2025.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **154.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to LeadIT Initiative?
 - 1. It was launched by India at the UN Climate Action Summit 2019.
 - 2. It leads Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) to work together to cope with climate change.

Choose the correct answer using the codes given below:

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



- **155.** Consider the following statements regarding Red | **160.** With reference to the Swachh Survekshan Awards, Crowned Roofed Turtle:
 - 1. It is native to India, Bangladesh and Nepal.
 - 2. It is a saltwater turtle species.

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 156. Consider the following statements regarding Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB):
 - 1. It is a statutory organisation established under the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981.
 - 2. It was entrusted to promote the cleanliness of streams and wells in different areas of the 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
- 157. With reference to National Clean Energy Fund, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is funded through a carbon tax on the use of coal by industries.
 - 2. It is governed by an Inter-Ministerial Group with the Home Secretary as the Chairman.

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. With reference to the Great Knot, consider the following
 - 1. It is a migratory bird with a straight dark-brown bill and yellowish-brown legs.
 - 2. Its IUCN Status is Endangered.

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 regarding Olive Ridley Turtles:
 - 1. These are the smallest and most abundant of all sea turtles globally.
 - 2. They are known for best their unique mass nesting called Arribada.
 - 3. They are categorized as Least Concern in IUCN Red

Which of the following 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

- consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is the world's largest urban sanitation and cleanliness survey.
 - 2. Its nodal ministry is the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
 - 3. As of 2022, Indore emerged as India's first 7-star Garbage Free city.

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
- 161. Consider the following statements about 'Biomass Cofiring':
 - 1. It is the technique of using biomass to replace a portion of the fuel in coal-fired power plants.
 - 2. It is well recognized as a low-cost method of decarbonizing coal operations.

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. 'Palmking' has recently been in the news. It is
 - A. A butterfly sighted for the first time in Tamil Nadu B.A species of Monkey found in Silent valley of Kerala
 - C. A type of fish discovered in Gulf of Mannar D.A type of coral reefs on the western margin of Malabar
- **163.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Ambition on Melting Ice (AMI)':
 - 1. It strives to ensure that the public and political leadership are aware of the effects of stratosphere depletion on Ice Melting.
 - 2. India is one of the founding members of this new high-level 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
- **164.** With reference to Vaquita Porpoise, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The vaquita porpoise is the world's smallest cetacean
 - 2. It is found only in the northern Gulf of California (Sea of Cortez) in Mexico.

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



- Stratovolcano?
 - 1. Tall and conical volcano
 - 2. Periodic and explosive eruptions
 - 3. Highly viscous lava

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
- 166. With reference to Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a process of evaluating the likely environmental impacts of a proposed project.
 - 2. It involves the common public to express their opinion.
 - 3. It's a constitutional process mandatory for some 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 only
- 167. With reference to Himalayan Yak, consider the following statements:
 - 1. They are endemic to the Tibetan Plateau and adjacent high-altitude regions.
 - 2. Their International Union Conservation for Nature (IUCN) status is endangered.
 - 3. Recently, their population declined by 25%.

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 only
- 168. With reference to the 'Carbon capture, utilization and storage (CCUS) Technology, consider the following statements:
 - 1. CCUS involves the development of sorbents that can effectively bind to the CO₂ present in flue gas or in
 - 2. This can provide a wide variety of opportunities to convert the captured CO, to different value-added products.

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

- **165.** Which of the following is/are the characteristics of a | **169.** Consider the following statements with reference to the Seaweeds:
 - 1. They are the primitive, marine flowering plants of marine ecosystems.
 - 2. They are found only in shallow waters and backwaters.

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
- **170.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. 22nd April is celebrated as Earth Day every year.
 - 2. The theme for Earth Day 2022 is "Invest In our Planet".

Which of the above statements are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 171. With reference to Vaquita Porpoise, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The vaguita porpoise is the world's smallest cetacean.
 - 2. It is found only in the northern Gulf of California (Sea of Cortez) in Mexico.

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
- **172.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Mainstreaming Biodiversity refers to the FAO's concern of biodiversity protection through integrating it in policy formulation.
 - 2. The United Nations Strategic Plan for Forests set the Global Forest Goals and associated targets to be reached by 2030.

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
- **173.** With reference to sandalwood, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It's International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) status is near threatened.
 - 2. India contributes the majority of Sandalwood trade in the world.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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



- 174. Consider the following statements about teak:
 - 1. It is also known as Indian oak and teca.
 - Its production covers 10% of global annual timber demand.
 - 3. This wood species is listed in the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species as endangered.

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- **175.** With reference to the Mugger or Marsh Crocodiles, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is found in India and Pakistan only.
 - It is considered as the Earth's largest living crocodile species.
 - 3. It is listed as vulnerable in the IUCN red list.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 1 and 3 only

C. 3 only

- D. 1, 2 and 3
- **176.** With reference to Great Indian Bustard, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It's International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) status is Critically Endangered.
 - 2. In India, its population is confined mostly to Gujarat and Rajasthan.

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.** With reference to the Kalakkad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve (KMTR), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It was declared as the first tiger reserve in Kerala.
 - 2. It is the part of the Agasthyamala Biosphere Reserve.

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
- **178.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Action Plan for Vulture Conservation':
 - 1. The MoEFCC released the Action Plan for Vulture Conservation with the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI).
 - 2. It prevents the poisoning of the principal food of vultures, the cattle carcasses, with veterinary

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

- **179.** With reference to Horseshoe crabs, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is one of the oldest living creatures on the earth.
 - 2. India has two species of horseshoe crabs, coastal horseshoe crabs and mangrove horseshoe crabs.
 - 3. They are protected under Schedule 4 Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.

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
- **180.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 4. Ocean acidification occurs when the pH of seawater decreases as a result of dissolved carbon dioxide.
 - 5. Ocean acidification makes it difficult for many marine organisms to build and maintain their shells and skeletons.

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
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- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **182.** Consider the following statements regarding 'Action Plan for Vulture Conservation':
 - 1. The MoEFCC released the Action Plan for Vulture Conservation with the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI).
 - 2. It prevents the poisoning of the principal food of vultures, the cattle carcasses, with veterinary NSAIDs.

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
- **183.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Corals lose their vibrant colors and turn white due to the loss of their symbiotic bryophytes.
 - 2. The mosses commonly associated with corals in symbiotic relations are zooxanthellae.

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

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



- **184.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Biogas is a renewable fuel produced using the anaerobic digestion process from organic feedstock.
 - 2. It is primarily composed of methane, carbon dioxide, hydrogen sulfide and a tiny fraction of moisture.

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **185.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. Notre Dame Global Adaptation Initiative is part of the Climate Change Adaptation Program.
 - 2. A combination of hazard exposure, impact sensitivity, and adaptation capability can be used to characterize climate risk.

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
- **186.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?
 - 1. According to the 2022 Forest Declaration Assessment, global deforestation rates have increased.
 - 2. Brazil was the world's largest contributor to deforestation in 2021 according to the 2022 Forest Declaration Assessment.

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
- 187. Which one of the following best describes Beach **Environment & Aesthetics Management Services** (BEAMS)?
 - 1. It aims to abate pollution in coastal waters and promotes the sustainable development of beach facilities.
 - 2. It is awarded by a non-profit organization called the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE).

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

- 188. Consider the following statements regarding "Corbett National Park":
 - 1. It was the first national park of India.
 - 2. It falls in the Shivalik and Outer Himalaya geological provinces.
 - 3. Sonanadi river flows through the Corbett National

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
- **189.** Consider the following statements regarding Hydrogen:
 - 1. Brown hydrogen is produced from natural gas where the associated emissions are released into the air.
 - 2. Green hydrogen is produced from natural gas, where the emissions are captured using carbon capture and storage.

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. Regarding the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is an international agreement that aims to conserve migratory species throughout their ranges.
 - 2. It was signed in 1979 in Bonn, West Germany and entered into force in 1983.
 - 3. India hosted the CMS CoP-13 (in 2020) at Gandhi Nagar, Gujarat.
 - 4. The Indian sub-continent is also part of the major bird flyway network.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 4only
- C. 3 and 4only
- D. 1, 2,3 and 4 only
- **191.** Consider the following statements regarding "National Tiger Conservation Authority"?
 - 1. The "Action Plan for Introduction of Cheetah in India" was released by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC).
 - 2. It has decided to bring 50 African Cheetah from Namibia within the next 5 years.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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



- **192.** With reference to the Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Pilot (SCIAP) Project, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Urban Sustainability Assessment Framework (USAF) developed under the Sustainable Cities Integrated Approach Pilot (SCIAP) project,
 - 2. It is being funded through Global Environment Facility (GEF-6).

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 193. With reference to the Painted Leopard Gecko, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is provided with critically endangered status in the **IUCN** Red list.
 - 2. In India, the Painted Leopard Gecko is common to Andhra Pradesh and Odisha.

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
- 194. Consider the following statements with reference to Kanger Ghati National Park:
 - 1. It is situated in the state of Chhattisgarh.
 - 2. Chhattisgarh has become First state in the country to recognise Community Forest Resource (CFR) rights of a village inside the Kanger Ghati National Park.
 - 3. It mainly consists of natural vegetation of scrub and thorn trees.

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

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 3 only
- D. All the statements are incorrect.
- 195. Consider the following statements regarding the "Eco-Sensitive Zones (ESZs)"?
 - 1. ESZs are defined as areas within 10 km of national parks and wildlife sanctuaries.
 - 2. These are prescribed under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

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

- **196.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Species which have been classified as vermin are placed in schedule V of the Wildlife Protection Act,
 - 2. The Wildlife Protection Act,1972 defines the word vermin.
 - 3. Common crows, fruit bats, rats and mice are vermin. 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
- **197.** Consider the following statements regarding Biomass Co-Firing:
 - 1. The Union Ministry of Power has mandated 5-10% co-firing at every thermal power plant in the country.
 - 2. India has sufficient agricultural residue and pellet manufacturing capacity for its Biomass Co-Firing need.
 - 3. Only pellets with up to 14% of moisture can be used for combustion along with coal.

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
- **198.** With reference to dragonflies, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is mostly found near freshwater habitats throughout most of the world.
 - 2. Most species of dragonflies live in the tropics and particularly in the rainforests.
 - 3. They feed on insects that are vectors to lifethreatening diseases like Malaria and Dengue.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 3 only
- C. 2 and 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- **199.** Consider the following pairs:

Match 1 Match 2

- 1. Conference of Parties (CoP) 26 Climate change
- 2. Cartagena Protocol
- Biosafety
- 3. Nagoya Protocol
- Genetic Resources

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

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



- **200.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. With the establishment of the National Green Tribunal (NGT), India became the first developing country to set up a specialised environmental tribunal.
 - 2. NGT is an open court, and its proceedings can be attended in person only.

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 201. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding India's commitment at COP 26?
 - 1. Increasing its non-fossil capacity to 500 gigawatts by 2030.
 - 2. Achieving the net-zero emissions target by 2070.
 - 3. Meeting 50% of its energy needs from renewable sources by 2030.

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
- 202. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)?
 - 1. It is a non-binding treaty to conserve biodiversity that has been in force since 1993.
 - 2. It operates under the United Nations Environment Programme.

Choose the correct answer using the codes given below:

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- 203. With the reference to Theri Desert, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is situated in the state of Andhra Pradesh.
 - 2. It consists of red sand dunes.

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

- **204.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding plastic waste?
 - 1. Extended Producer Responsibility has been given legal force through Plastic Waste Management Amendment Rules, 2021.
 - 2. Different types of plastic including PET (Polyethylene Terephthalate), used to make soft drink bottles and clothing are found in Antarctica' Ross ice shelf.
 - 3. Biological oxygen demand (BOD) of water indicates plastic pollution of the water body.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 only 2
- B. 1 and 3
- C. 2 and 3
- D. 1, 2 and 3
- 205. Regarding the "Environment Performance Index (EPI)" consider the following statements:
 - 1. It's a biennial index published by the World Economic Forum.
 - 2. Denmark has topped the 2022 rankings for EPI 2022.
 - 3. India has witnessed a decline in its environmental performance index as compared to its performance in EPI 2020.

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
- 206. Consider the following statements regarding "United Nations Climate Change Conference (CoP26)"?
 - 1. The Glasgow Climate Pact was signed to reduce non-carbon dioxide greenhouse gas emissions, including methane.
 - 2. India signed up for the Global Methane Pledge.

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
- **207.** Which of the following methods are used to convert Biomass into energy:
 - 1. Gasification
- 2. Pyrolysis
- 3. Combustion
- 4. Bioventing
- 5. Biosparging

Choose the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

