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INSTRUCTIONS

1. Immediately after the commencement of the examination, you should check that this test booklet does not have any unprinted or torn or missing pages or items, etc. if so, get it replaced by a complete test booklet.
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5. After filling the responses, submit only the answer sheet. You can take away the question booklet.

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1. The Tenth Schedule of the Indian Constitution pertains to?
 - (a) Provisions related to the administration of Tribal Areas
 - (b) Provisions relating to the administration and control of scheduled areas and scheduled tribes
 - (c) Languages recognised by the Constitution
 - (d) Provisions relating to disqualification of members of Parliament and State.

2. What does the term 'Sealed cover Jurisprudence' stand for?
 - (a) Practice of presenting sensitive or confidential information to a court in a sealed cover to be opened and reviewed only by the judge(s) in charge of the case.
 - (b) Practice of not making the minority judgement public and passing it on to the Ministry or Department in charge confidentially.
 - (c) The practice under Preventive Detention Laws when the grounds of detention are not conveyed to the detainee.
 - (d) Any law/discussion made under a secret sitting of the parliament forms a part of Sealed cover Jurisprudence.

3. Geological Survey of India is an attached office to the ____?
 - (a) Ministry of Earth Sciences
 - (b) Ministry of Mines
 - (c) Ministry of Coal
 - (d) Ministry of Agriculture

4. What are the possible outcomes of increased capital expenditure by the government?
 1. Strengthening of aggregate demand
 2. Crowding in private spending in times of risk aversion
 3. Enhancing supply side productive capacity
 Select from the codes given below:
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1, 2 and 3
 - (d) 1 and 3 only

5. Which of the following functions are performed by National Commission for Schedule Tribes:
 1. Addition or removal of any tribe from the Scheduled Tribes list.
 2. Ensuring implementation of Panchayat Extension to Scheduled Area act (PESA) to the areas under Fifth Schedule.

3. Advising the Central and State Governments in matters related to planning processes of the socio-economic development of the Scheduled tribes.

Select from the codes given below:

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

6. Consider the following statements regarding the Prevention of Child Marriage Act (PCMA) of 2006:
 1. According to Prevention of Child Marriage (Amendment) Bill 2019, the marriage age for women across all religions was raised to 21 years.
 2. According to Prevention of Child Marriage Act, 2006; child marriages are illegal but not void.
 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. Which of the following countries are *not* part of the Lithium triangle
 - (a) Chile
 - (b) Paraguay
 - (c) Bolivia
 - (d) Argentina

8. Consider the following statements regarding Ken-Betwa River interlinking project:
 1. It proposes to transfer surplus water from the Ken River, a tributary of Yamuna to Betwa river, a tributary of Chambal river.
 2. The project is aimed to supply water to water-scarce region of Baghelkhand.
 3. Its planned reservoir threatens the core area of Kanha National Park.
 Which of the above statements is/are *not* correct, select from the codes given below:
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 3 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3

9. Which of the following statements is correct about Special Drawing Rights (SDR) of the International Monetary Fund (IMF):
 - (a) SDR is calculated on a basket of currencies which include the US Dollar, Euro, Japanese Yen, British Pound and Chinese Yuan.
 - (b) Countries can exchange their SDRs for hard currencies with other IMF members.
 - (c) SDR allocation by the IMF is cost-free and does not add to any country's public debt burden.
 - (d) All of the above statements are correct.

17. What could be the possible consequences of an increasing Current Account Deficit in a developing country like India?
1. Depreciation of the domestic currency.
 2. Imports getting expensive.
 3. Private sector investment may get discouraged.
 4. Higher inflation.
- Select from the options given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2 and 4 only
(c) 1 and 2 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
18. Consider the following statements regarding the Presiding Officer's powers under the Tenth Schedule of the Indian Constitution:
1. No time period is specified in the Tenth Schedule or the Anti-defection law for the presiding officer to give its decision on the defection plea.
 2. The decision of the presiding officer is considered final.
 3. Presiding officer can take suo moto cognizance of defection.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) 1 and 3 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 only (d) 2 only
19. Consider the following statements regarding Fishery sector in India:
1. India is the largest fish producing country.
 2. The contribution of Inland fisheries in India is more than marine fisheries.
 3. Gujrat is the largest fish-producing state in India.
 4. In terms of production the States on the Western coast of the country has a larger share than those on the eastern coast.
- Now select the correct option:
- (a) only **one** of the statements is correct
(b) only **two** statements are correct
(c) only **three** statements are correct
(d) All of the statements are correct
20. Recently in news, 'Paris Club' is related to?
- (a) It is a grouping of middle-sized states who oppose bigger regional powers grabbing permanent seats.
 - (b) It is an informal group of creditor nations at the International Monetary Fund for providing sustainable debt relief solutions for countries.
 - (c) Group of Countries aspiring to become permanent members of the United Nations Security Council.
 - (d) Interest group for agricultural exporting nations seeking to liberalize agricultural trade in the world.
21. Which country has Europe's largest deposits of Rare Earth Metals?
- (a) Sweden (b) Germany
(c) Netherlands (d) Poland
22. Panna Tiger Reserve is located in which of the following States?
- (a) Bihar (b) Madhya Pradesh
(c) Chhattisgarh (d) Rajasthan
23. Which of the following Articles from Part III of the Constitution of India is available to both citizens as well as foreigners?
1. Article 14 2. Article 19
 3. Article 20 4. Article 21
 5. Article 24
- Select from the codes given below:
- (a) 1, 2, 4 and 5 only (b) 1, 3 and 4 only
(c) 2, 4 and 5 only (d) 1, 4 and 5 only
24. Consider the following statements with reference to United Nations Refugee Convention of 1951:
1. The convention doesn't provide a definition for who can be identified as a refugee.
 2. It is based on the principle of non-refoulement that implies no person should be sent back to a country where it faces a threat to life or freedom.
 3. India has not signed the Convention.
- 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
25. Consider the following statements regarding the Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ) treaty:
1. It is an international agreement on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction within the framework of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.
 2. It is a legally binding treaty.
 3. This treaty is under the aegis of International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN).
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) None of the statements are correct

26. Which of the following statements are correct regarding Lead toxicity:
1. Lead toxicity can be caused by indoor sources such as Paints, inverter batteries, printing ink etc.
 2. It causes the disease plumbism which is characterized by mental retardation, schizophrenia, coma etc.
 3. Lead toxicity has a disproportionate effect on children.
 4. Lead as an air pollutant is included under both National Ambient Air Quality Index (NAAQI) and Air Quality Index (AQI)
- Select from the codes given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 1, 2 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
27. Recently in news, Jaya Jaitley Committee is related to:
- (a) Sub-categorisation of Socially and Economically Backward Classes.
(b) Marriageable age of women in India.
(c) Implementation of Uniform Civil Code in India
(d) Corporate Social Responsibility
28. With reference to Modern History, who among the following published the weekly newspaper Navjivan?
- (a) B.R. Ambedkar
(b) Mahatma Gandhi
(c) Lala Lajpat Rai
(d) Gopal Krishna Gokhale
29. Which of the following statements are correct about Rhodendron?
1. Rhodendron is the state flower for the state of Himachal Pradesh and Nagaland
 2. These are considered as indicator species for climate change
 3. Showy clusters of large, brightly coloured flowers are very popular ornamental plants.
- Select the answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 only (b) 3 only
(c) 2 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
30. Consider the following statements regarding 'Transfer Technology' which was recently in news:
1. It is an advancement over Recurrent Neural Network.
 2. It is based on a self-attention mechanism, which can analyse multiple inputs at the same time.
 3. It is a machine learning tool working on the principle of semi-supervised learning.
 4. Technologies like ChatGPT are based on this model.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 1, 2 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
31. Arrange the following Nuclear Power Plants in India as per their location from North to South direction:
1. Kaiga 2. Kakrapar
 3. Tarapur 4. Narora
 5. Kalpakkam
- Select from the codes given below:
- (a) 2 – 1 – 3 – 4 – 5
(b) 4 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 5
(c) 4 – 3 – 1 – 2 – 5
(d) 3 – 4 – 2 – 5 – 1
32. Which among the following countries does *not* share a border with Kenya?
- (a) Sudan (b) Tanzania
(c) Uganda (d) Somalia
33. Safety Valve Theory which stated that Indian National Congress was formed to vent discontent emerging in the Indian masses by the British government, was propounded by:
- (a) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
(b) Aurobindo Ghosh
(c) Bipin Chandra Pal
(d) Lala Lajpat Rai
34. Which of the following pairs are *not* correctly matched, with reference to the centre of Revolt of 1857 and the leaders associated?
- (a) Delhi – Khan Bahadur Khan
(b) Lucknow – Begum Hazrat Mahal
(c) Bihar – Kunwar Singh
(d) Kanpur – Nana Saheb
35. Mouling National Park is located in which among the following states?
- (a) Assam (b) Tripura
(c) Manipur (d) Arunachal Pradesh

36. Recently in news, according to the Global Innovation Index Report 2022, India entered the top 40 innovating countries. This report is released by which of the following organisations?
- (a) World Bank
 (b) World Intellectual Property Organization
 (c) Niti Aayog
 (d) World Economic Forum

37. Consider the following statements regarding manual scavenging in India:
1. Manual Scavenging as an activity is banned in India in absolute terms.
 2. National Safai Karamchhari Commission, a statutory body is the nodal agency in India for the rehabilitation of the persons employed in manual scavenging.
 3. The construction of unsanitary toilets is banned in India, which requires for manual scavenging for cleaning of sewers and septic tanks.

Which of the above statements are correct, Choose from the codes given below:

- (a) 2 only
 (b) 1 and 3 only
 (c) 1, 2 and 3
 (d) 2 and 3 only
38. World Investment Report is released by which of the following Organisations?
- (a) World Bank
 (b) International Monetary Fund
 (c) United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
 (d) World Economic Forum

39. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer:

List I		List II	
A. Desert Eagle		1. Japan	
B. Dharma Guardian		2. UAE	
C. Exercise cyclone I		3. France	
D. Garuda		4. Egypt	

	A	B	C	D
(a)	2	1	4	3
(b)	2	4	1	3
(c)	4	1	3	2
(d)	3	4	1	2

40. Consider the following statements with reference to State Capitals in India:
1. As per the Constitution of India, a State cannot have more than one capital.
 2. As of now there is no Indian State which has more than one official capital.

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. India is collaborating with which of the following countries for the project Maitri Setu?
- (a) Sri Lanka
 (b) Bhutan
 (c) Bangladesh
 (d) Nepal

42. Consider the following pairs:

Wetland/Lake	Location
1. Hokera Wetland	– Jammu and Kashmir
2. Pichavaram Mangroves	– Kerala
3. Nanda Lake	– Gujarat
4. Bhoj Wetland	– Madhya Pradesh

How many pairs given above are correctly matched?

- (a) Only three pairs only
 (b) Only two pairs only
 (c) Only one pair only
 (d) All four pairs

43. Which of the following ocean currents are regarded as Cold Ocean Currents?

1. Kuroshio Current
2. Canary Current
3. Humboldt Current
4. Falkland Current
5. Alaskan Current

Select the correct option from the code given below:

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

44. Which of the following is *not* the objective of GOBAR-DHAN scheme of the Government of India:

- (a) Controlling the spread of vector borne diseases in villages.
 (b) Doubling the farmer's income.
 (c) Achieving energy security for the country.
 (d) Enhancing the conservation of indigenous cows.

53. With reference to India's debt portfolio, consider the following statements:

1. Sovereign external debt constitutes around 49% of India's public debt profile.
2. The total liabilities of the Union Government as a percentage of GDP have been the lowest during the pandemic year FY21.

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

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

54. With reference to Standing Deposit Facility (SDF), consider the following statements:

1. Under this scheme banks can park their surplus funds with the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in lieu of Government Securities.
2. The main purpose of SDF is to reduce excess liquidity in the system and control inflation.

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

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

55. Consider the following pairs:

Book	Personalities
1. Golden Threshold	Annie Besant
2. Hind Swaraj	Mahatma Gandhi
3. Gita Rhasya	Bal Gangadhar Tilak

Which of the pair(s) given above is/are correctly matched?

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

56. Regarding the Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI), consider the following statements:

1. It covers gross national income per capita (GNI per capita) as one of its key dimensions.
2. It permits comparisons both across countries and world regions, and within countries.

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

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

57. With reference to Union Budget, consider the following statements:

1. The Indian Economy always had a deficit budget post Independence.
2. Food subsidy has the highest allocation followed by fertiliser subsidy.
3. For the year 2023-24, the fiscal deficit is targeted at 2.9% of GDP.

Which of the statement(s) 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 only

58. Regarding the Atacama desert, consider the following statements:

1. It lies in the Rain shadow region of the Andes.
2. It extends into five countries of the South American continent.
3. It is the world's largest source of Nitrate minerals.

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

59. With reference to Special Category Status (SCS) states, consider the following statements:

1. The Constitution does not make a provision for SCS.
2. The 13th Finance Commission had done away with the practice of giving SCS status.
3. SCS imparts enhanced legislative and political rights.

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

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

60. Regarding the Shinku-La tunnel, consider the following statements:

1. It will connect Himachal Pradesh to Zaskar Valley.
2. It will be the third highway connecting Ladakh with the mainland.
3. The Shinku La pass, currently the shortest route to reach Zaskar, remains inaccessible during winters.

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

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

61. Regarding the Lithium, consider the following statements:

1. It is an alkali metal.
2. It is called 'white gold' because of its high demand for the production of batteries
3. China at present is the largest producer of Lithium in the world.
4. The KABIL scheme of Government of India has been launched to ensure a consistent supply of strategic minerals.

Which of the above statements are correct, choose from the codes given below:

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

62. "Global Economic prospects" is released/submitted by which of the following?
 (a) International Monetary Fund (IMF)
 (b) World Bank
 (c) World Economic Forum
 (d) None of the above
63. Regarding the Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI), consider the following statements:
 1. It is a statutory body.
 2. It was established in the year 1992 following the infamous 'Harshad Mehta' scam
 3. SEBI has a nine member board including the chairman who is appointed by the Government of India.
 Which of the statement(s) 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 only
64. Which of the following Countries share a land border with Egypt?
 1. Sudan 2. Libya
 3. Lebanon 4. Saudi Arabia
 5. Israel
 Select the correct answer using the code given below:
 (a) 1,2 and 3 only (b) 2,4 and 5 only
 (c) 1,3 and 5 only (d) 1,2 and 5 only
65. Regarding the Indus Water Treaty, consider the following statements:
 1. It allocated the Three Eastern rivers—Ravi, Beas and Sutlej to Pakistan for unrestricted Use.
 2. Three western rivers—Indus, Chenab and Jhelum—were allocated to India for unrestricted usage.
 3. It established a Permanent Indus Commission which is mandated to meet at least once a year.
 Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
 (a) 1 only (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 only
66. Consider the following states:
 1. Assam 2. Tripura
 3. Manipur 4. Mizoram
 Which of the above state(s) share a land border with Bangladesh?
 (a) 1 only (b) 2 and 3 only
 (c) 1 and 4 only (d) 1,2 and 4 only
67. With reference to Citizenship Amendment Act of 2019, consider the following statements:
 1. It provides for grant of citizenship by registration to religious minorities from neighbouring countries of India.
 2. The cut-off date for applying citizenship under the act is 31st December 2014.
 3. The act doesn't extend to Sixth Schedule areas.
 Which of the statement(s) 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
68. Which of the following will lead to an increase in Broad money (M3) in the Indian economy?
 1. Increased Bank credit to the Commercial Sector.
 2. Increase in Aggregate Deposits with post office savings banks.
 3. Increased Currency with the Public.
 Select the correct answer using the code given below:
 (a) 1 only (b) 3 only
 (c) 2 only (d) 1 and 3 only
69. Which of the following can be the reason(s) for narrowing the gap between the Wholesale Price Inflation (WPI) rates and the Consumer Price Inflation (CPI)?
 1. Cooling in inflationary trends of crude oil.
 2. Increase in the prices of services.
 3. Favourable monsoon.
 4. Vaccination-led economic resumption
 Select the correct answer using the code given below:
 (a) 1 and 2 only
 (b) 1 and 3 only
 (c) 2 and 4 only
 (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
70. Which of the following is empowered to set up a Foreigner's Tribunal as per the Foreigner's Tribunal order of 1964 in India?
 (a) Chief Secretary of a state
 (b) Home Secretary of a state
 (c) Chief Justice of the High Court
 (d) District Magistrate

71. Regarding the Infrastructure Resilience Accelerator Fund (IRAF), consider the following statements:

1. The Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI) recently announced setting up the (IRAF).
2. It will have special focus on Developing countries and Small Island Developing States (SIDS).
3. The fund will assist creation of Robust Infrastructure for climate mitigation.

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

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

72. Regarding the Office of Deputy Speaker, consider the following statements:

1. The Deputy Speaker is a Subordinate office to the Speaker, and discharges the functions of speaker only in the absence of the latter.
2. Post the commencement of Lok Sabha, the President decides for the date of elections of both the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker simultaneously.
3. Constitutionally, the post of Deputy Speaker is to be held by a legislature from the opposition bench.

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

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

73. Consider the following pairs:

Schemes	Objective
1. Vigyan Jyoti Scheme	Encouraging school girls to pursue career in STEM
2. PRAGATI scheme	For enhancing Girls participation in Technical Education
3. GATI scheme	Establishing a Gender Equality framework in Higher Education
4. CURIE scheme	Provide basic infrastructure for promoting R&D activities

Which of the pair(s) given above is/are correctly matched?

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

74. Regarding the 'Bhavini' Nuclear reactor, Consider the following statements:

1. It is an entirely indigenous nuclear power plant, being planned, designed and developed in India.
2. It will be the world's first Thorium based nuclear plant which will use Thorium-233 as fuel.
3. It will be based on Fast Breeder Technology.

Which of the statement(s) 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

75. With reference to Union Budget 2023-24, Consider the following statements:

1. Per capita income has more than doubled to ₹5.97 lakh in around nine years.
2. The Indian economy has increased in size from being 10th to 5th largest in the world in the past nine years.

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

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

76. Consider the following statements:

1. SUPACE is an AI system that can assist in the translation of judgments into regional languages.
2. SUVAS is a tool that collects relevant facts and laws and makes them available to a judge

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

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

77. Regarding the 1857 revolt, Consider the following statements:

1. The armies of Bombay and Madras presidencies remained largely unaffected by the revolt.
2. Accessionist policies of Dalhousie can be considered as the immediate triggering for the revolt.
3. Large parts of Rajputana and Punjab stayed away from the revolt.
4. The revolt also attracted support from big *Taluqdars* from the Doab region.

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

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

78. Which one of the following books cannot be attributed to Mahatma Gandhi?

- (a) Young India
- (b) Satyagraha in South Africa
- (c) My experiments with the truth
- (d) Discovery of India

79. Regarding the Government of India Act of 1858, consider the following statements:

1. The Governor-General of India was given additional charge of Viceroyalty for the British empire in India.
2. The Office of the Secretary of State was established, who was responsible to the British Parliament.
3. The Board of Control was abolished, and its powers were delegated to the High Commissioner of India in London.

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

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

80. Which of the following states has never been a Union Territory of India?

- (a) Arunachal Pradesh
- (b) Mizoram
- (c) Meghalaya
- (d) Himachal Pradesh

81. Consider the following statements:

1. Characterised by graceful, swaying body movements with no abrupt jerks or sudden leaps.
2. It originated as a part of temple culture in Kerala.
3. Based on the old tradition of Lasya Dance.
4. Emphasises more on the expressive and acting part of the dance than to rapid movements or mudras of the body

Which Classical dance of India is described through the above points?

- (a) Kathakali
- (b) Kuchipudi
- (c) Bharatnatyam
- (d) Mohiniyattam

82. Regarding the Ramsar sites in India, consider the following statements:

1. India has the largest numbers of Ramsar sites in Asia after China.
2. State of Tamil Nadu has the greatest number of Ramsar sites in India followed by Uttar Pradesh.
3. No Indian Ramsar site is included in the Montreux Record.

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

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

83. Consider the following mountain ranges:

1. Rocky
2. Caucasus
3. Himalayas
4. Arakan
5. Ural

Which of the following is the correct arrangement of these Mountain ranges from West to East?

- (a) 1 – 2 – 5 – 3 – 4
- (b) 1 – 5 – 2 – 4 – 3
- (c) 1 – 4 – 5 – 2 – 3
- (d) 4 – 1 – 3 – 2 – 5

84. Which one of the following best describes the term 'Superbug'?

- (a) Parasitic insects which can spread vector borne diseases.
- (b) Microbes that have developed resistance to common antimicrobials.
- (c) Drug Delivery Systems created by the use of Nanotechnology.
- (d) Mites created by Genetic Recombinant technologies to control the spread of plant diseases.

85. Consider the following statements:

1. Drug Controller General of India enforces drug price control in India.
2. The National List of Essential Medicines (NLEM) prepared by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare contains the list of medicines whose price has to be controlled by the government.

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

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

86. Regarding wind energy projects, Consider the following statements:

1. The winds on offshore generators are more stable when compared to onshore ones.
2. The risks associated with Land acquisitions are lessened in onshore wind projects.
3. Larger wind energy can be captured for generation of electricity in offshore projects.

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

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

87. Regarding the Custodial Deaths in India, consider the following statements
1. Indian Penal Code 1860 provides punishment for injury inflicted for extorting confession.
 2. Gujarat out of all the Indian states registered maximum cases of custodial deaths.
 3. India is not a signatory to United Nation's Convention against Torture of 1985.
- Which of the statement(s) 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
88. Regarding Distributed Renewable Energy (DRE), Consider the following statements:
1. These are Renewable energy based systems that can generate and distribute energy independent of a centralised electricity grid.
 2. They are typically designed to serve a large urban or industrial centre rather than a single household or community.
- Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
89. Which one of the following best describes Land Subsidence?
- (a) Sinking of ground because of rampant infrastructure development more than the carrying capacity of the ground
(b) Sinking of ground due to underground material movement
(c) Sinking of ground due to loosening of top soil because of rampant deforestation
(d) Sinking of soil due to changing course of river stream
90. What is/are the possible consequence(s) forest fires?
1. Limit the forest's ability to sequester carbon.
 2. Reduce soil porosity and destroy dead plant biomass on the floor, which acts as water sponges.
 3. Alter the vegetation of the region.
 4. Provide optimum temperatures to some seeds for sprouting.
- Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 1, 3 and 4 only
(c) 1, 2 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
91. Which of the following state governments launched the 'Saharsh' scheme which aims to encourage Social and Emotional Learning in school Children?
- (a) Assam (b) Tripura
(c) Meghalaya (d) Sikkim
92. Lamu region, a UNESCO World Heritage site and a centre for Islamic and Swahili culture is present in which of the following African countries?
- (a) Kenya
(b) Mozambique
(c) Somalia
(d) Eritrea
93. Recently in news, which among the following countries witnessed its first Marburg virus outbreak in 2023?
- (a) Singapore (b) Indonesia
(c) Mauritius (d) Equatorial Guinea
94. Regarding the Representation of People's Act, 1951, Consider the following statements:
1. It prohibits corrupt practices like booth capturing, bribery or promoting enmity.
 2. It specifies the qualifications and disqualifications for membership of the houses.
- Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
95. Consider the following events:
1. Battle of Purandar
 2. Assumption of the title 'Chhatrapati'
 3. Battle of Pratapgarh
 4. Battle of Surat
- Which of the following is the correct chronological sequence of the above events?
- (a) 2 – 3 – 1 – 4 (b) 3 – 4 – 1 – 2
(c) 2 – 3 – 1 – 4 (d) 3 – 2 – 4 – 1

96. Regarding higher judiciary, Consider the following statements:

1. The Constitution of India states that all proceedings in the Supreme Court and in every High Court, shall be in English language.
2. The Governor of a state, with the previous consent of the President can authorise the High court whose principal seat is in the state to use any language listed in Schedule VIII of the Constitution to be used along with English.

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

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

97. Consider the following statements:

1. Current account deficit (CAD) is when the value of a country's imports of goods and services is greater than its exports.
2. Fiscal Deficit is the gap between the government's expenditure requirements and its receipts.
3. CAD and Fiscal Deficit together make up twin deficits that can impact the stock market and investors.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

98. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer:

List-I (Schemes)	List-II (Objectives)
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| A. MISHTI | 1. Promotion of Organic fertilisers |
| B. PRANAM | 2. Preservation of Wetland ecosystem |
| C. Amrit Dharohar | 3. Conservation of Mangroves |

Select the correct option, from the codes given below:

- | | A | B | C |
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| (a) | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| (b) | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| (c) | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| (d) | 2 | 1 | 3 |

99. With reference to Elephants, Consider the following statements:

1. Elephants are classified as 'Endangered' in the IUCN red list.
2. They exhibit a matriarchal character where the leader of the herd is a female.
3. Among the States in India, the highest elephant population is in Karnataka.
4. For the conservation of elephants, the Indian Government started Project Elephant in 1972.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

100. Which of the following state governments launched the 'Bijulee Didi' scheme which has a vision of bringing electricity to underserved rural areas?

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| (a) Madhya Pradesh | (b) Odisha |
| (c) Chattisgarh | (d) Jharkhand |