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## INSTRUCTIONS

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3. The law defines no time limit for reporting abuse, allowing an affected person to report the crime at any time, sometimes years after the crime has occurred.

4. A police officer can arrest a person charged under the POCSO Act without a warrant from a court.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) All Four (b) Only Three  
(c) Only Two (d) Only One

8. Banaras Session of Indian National Congress (1905) was chaired by which of the following leader?

- (a) Dadabhai Naoroji (b) Rash Bihari Ghosh  
(c) Gopal Krishna Gokhale (d) B. N. Dhar

9. Consider the following statements:

- According to the Constitution of India, federalism, secularism, fundamental rights and democracy form part of the Basic structure doctrine.
- Since, fundamental rights constitute the Basic structure of the Indian Constitution, Parliament cannot amend them under Article 368 of the Constitution.

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

10. Consider the followings statements:

- Logistics Performance Index (LPI) is published by the World Economic Forum.
- India has climbed six places on the Logistics Performance Index 2023, now ranking 38th out of 139 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

11. Consider the following pairs:

Tribes	State
1. Binjhia	Chhattisgarh
2. Hattis	Karnataka
3. Narikoravan	Tamil Nadu
4. Betta-Kuruba	Himachal Pradesh

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

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

12. Regarding 'Pangenome', consider the following statements:

- It is a new modified form of reference genome that captures significantly more human diversity.
- Unlike earlier, it is a graph consisting of genome sequences of more than 47 individuals representing different continents.
- It presently does not contain Indian genome sequences.

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

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) Only three (d) None

13. How many of the following statement(s) is/are *not* correct?

- Ecologically Sensitive Zones (ESZs) are notified by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEFCC) under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.
- Commercial mining and agriculture practices are completely banned under ESZs.
- As per National Wildlife Action Plan (2002-2016) of MoEFCC, areas falling within 1 km of the boundaries of National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries are to be declared as ESZs by the State Government.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) All three  
(b) Only two  
(c) Only one  
(d) None

14. About cyclones occurring in the Indian Ocean, consider the following statements:

- Recently cyclone Mocha originated in the Arabian Sea and made landfall on the western coast of India.
- Only some cyclones develop an eye.
- There is nearly 10°C less temperature inside the eye of a cyclone compared to its surroundings.
- Indian Meteorological Department names tropical cyclones forming in the north Indian Ocean.

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

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

15. What is/are the possible consequence(s) of permafrost thawing?

1. Release of Greenhouse Gases.
2. Destabilising of industries and infrastructure.
3. Release of dangerous viruses and bacteria.
4. Migration of communities.

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

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

16. Which of the following is/are correct about REDD+ (Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and forest Degradation in developing countries)?

1. Its goal is to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through enhanced forest management in developing countries to mitigate climate change.
2. In essence, REDD+ is a mechanism to reward developing countries for their efforts to reduce emissions.

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

17. Arrange the following states in terms of their increasing number of leopard population (as per 'Status of leopards in India, 2018' report).

1. Karnataka                      2. Maharashtra
3. Madhya Pradesh               4. Uttarakhand

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

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

18. What are the objectives of declaring the year 2023 as the International Year of Millets?

1. To spread awareness for the contribution of millets to food security and nutrition.
2. To inspire stakeholders to improve sustainable production and quality of millets.
3. To enhance investment in research and development and extension services related to millets.
4. To improve the availability of millets in markets and make them more accessible to consumers and encourage consumption.

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

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

19. Regarding the Revolt of 1857, consider the following pairs:

Centre of Revolt	British Officials who Suppressed
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- |            |                   |
|------------|-------------------|
| 1. Delhi   | John Nicolson     |
| 2. Lucknow | Henry Lawrence    |
| 3. Jhansi  | General Hugh Rose |
| 4. Kanpur  | Colin Campbell    |

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

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

20. Consider the following statements:

1. Separate electorates for election to the central council given to Muslims.
2. The Nobel Prize in Literature given to Rabindranath Tagore for his work Gitanjali.
3. Establishment of the Servants of Indian Society by Gopal Krishna Gokhale.
4. Appointment of Satyendra P Sinha to the Viceroy's Executive Council.

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

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

21. With reference to One District One Product (ODOP) initiative, consider the following statements:

1. It aims to convert each district of India into an export hub by identifying products having export potential in the district.
2. ODOP is an approach adopted under the Pradhan Mantri Formalization of Micro food processing Enterprises Scheme.
3. ODOP has been merged with 'Districts as Export Hub' initiative.
4. Director-General of Foreign Trade, Department of Commerce, is implementing this initiative.

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

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

22. From the list of countries given below, how many were the founding members of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization?
1. Turkmenistan
  2. Kazakhstan
  3. China
  4. Kyrgyzstan
- Select the correct option using the codes given below:
- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only three                      (d) All four
23. Consider the following statements:
1. India became the full member of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) in 2017 at the Astana Summit.
  2. Prior to becoming a full member, Iran enjoyed the observer status in the grouping.
  3. Afghanistan, Belarus and Azerbaijan enjoy observer status in the SCO.
  4. India recently chaired the 23rd summit of the grouping.
- How many of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only three                      (d) All four
24. Consider the following statements:
1. Recently, India and United States have launched the 'Trade and Technology Council' (TTC).
  2. Trade and Technology Council (TTC) aims to create a high-level coordination platform to tackle strategic challenges at the nexus of trade, trusted technology and security.
- 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
25. With reference to WTO, consider the following pairs:
1. Peace Clause : Bali Package
  2. Trade Facilitation Agreement : Doha Declaration
  3. TRIPS Agreement : Nairobi Package
  4. 12<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference : Geneva
- How many of the pair(s) given above is/are correctly matched?
- (a) Only one                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only three                      (d) All four
26. Regarding the Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS) of Reserve Bank of India, consider the following statements:
1. The remitted amount can be invested in shares as well as debt instruments in the international markets.
  2. Gift to a person resident or donation to an organisation outside India is not allowed under LRS.
- 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
27. Consider the following statements:
1. The Chief Minister of Delhi is appointed by Lt. Governor of Delhi.
  2. The President of India can declare the President's rule in the Union Territory of Delhi under Article 356 in case of failure of the constitutional machinery.
  3. Article 239AA of Indian Constitution provides a special status to Union Territory of Delhi, creating a legislative assembly and a council of minister for it.
- How many of the statement(s) given above is/are **not** correct?
- (a) All three  
(b) Only two  
(c) Only one  
(d) None
28. Regarding the Ordinance making power of the President of India, consider the following statements:
1. An ordinance promulgated by the President has a maximum validity of six months and six weeks from the date of its promulgation.
  2. An ordinance can be issued to amend any act of Parliament, including the Constitution of India.
  3. The power of the President to legislate by ordinance is a parallel power of legislation.
- How many of the statement(s) given above is/are **not** correct?
- (a) All three                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only one                      (d) None

29. Consider the following pairs:

List-I	List-II
1. Foreigners Act, 1946	It empowers authorities to remove illegal foreigners by force.
2. Passport (Entry into India) Act, 1920	All foreigners visiting India on a long-term visa are required to register themselves with a Registration Officer within 14 days of arrival.
3. Registration of Foreigners Act, 1939	The Central government is empowered to detect detain and deport illegal foreign nationals.
4. Citizenship Act, 1955	It provides for renunciation, termination and deprivation of citizenship.

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

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

30. How many of the following laws has/have been subsumed under the Code on Social Security 2020?

1. The Maternity Benefit Act, 1961
2. The Employees Compensation Act, 1923
3. The Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972
4. Industrial Employment (Standing Order) Act, 1946

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

- (a) All four                      (b) Only three  
(c) Only two                      (d) Only One

31. With reference to PM Gati Shakti Scheme, consider the following statements:

1. The scheme will subsume ₹110 Lakh crore National Infrastructure Pipeline that was launched earlier.
2. The larger goal of the scheme is to boost trade by reducing logistics costs, increasing cargo handling capacity and reducing turnaround time at ports.
3. Among other things, it aims to build 11 industrial corridors and 2 defence corridors.

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

- (a) All three                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only one                      (d) None

32. With reference to the higher transfer of Surplus Funds from RBI to the Union Government, consider the following statements:

1. Rupee depreciation against the dollar has contributed to the higher Surplus transfer.
2. It will provide fiscal relief for the government, particularly in managing fiscal numbers amid uncertainties in the divestment program.

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

33. Consider the following statements:

1. In India, both coins and bank notes have unlimited legal tenders.
2. For a currency/coin to become a legal tender, it must be a fiat money as well.

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

34. Which one of the following best defines a Platform Worker?

- (a) A worker who uses an app or website to get connected to their customers.
- (b) A worker whose job is to check and repair railway line.
- (c) A worker who occupies the bottom rungs of the informal workforce.
- (d) A Person who is learning a trade from a skilled employer, having agreed to work for a fixed period at low wage.

35. Consider the following statements in relation to POSHAN Abhiyaan Scheme:

1. It is India's flagship scheme to improve the nutritional outcomes of adolescents, children, pregnant women and lactating mothers.
2. The program specifically targets to reduce stunting, anaemia, under-nutrition and low birth weight.
3. Rastriya Poshan Maah is being celebrated during the month of September every year under this Abhiyaan.

4. Gradual scaling up of the interventions under the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) scheme is one of the important aspects of the Abhiyaan.

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

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

36. Consider the following statements in relation to Doctrine of Lapse:

1. Lord Dalhousie was the originator of the doctrine.
2. Satara was the first and Awadh was the last state to be annexed under this doctrine.
3. Maharaja Ranjit Singh also used some form of the doctrine of Lapse to annex his neighbouring feudatories.

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

- (a) All three (b) Only two  
(c) Only one (d) None

37. Consider the following statements regarding the Law Commission of India:

1. It is a statutory body established by the Parliament of India.
2. It is established for a fixed tenure and acts as an advisory body to the Ministry of Law and Justice.
3. The first Law Commission of independent India was established in 1955 under the chairmanship of M. C. Setalvad.
4. Justice Ritu Raj Awasthi is the chairman of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Law Commission of India.

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

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

38. With reference to the Constitution of India, prohibitions, limitations or provisions contained in the ordinary laws cannot act as prohibitions or limitations on the constitutional powers under the Article 142 of the Indian Constitution. It would mean which of the following?

- (a) The decisions taken by the Election Commission of India while discharging its duty cannot be challenged in any court of India.

(b) The Supreme Court of India is not constrained in the exercise of its powers by laws made by the Parliament.

(c) In the event of grave financial crisis in the country, the President of India can declare financial emergency without the consent from the cabinet.

(d) State Legislatures cannot make laws on certain matters without the concurrence of Union Legislature.

39. How many of the following functional item(s) is/are incorporated under the 11<sup>th</sup> Schedule of the Constitution of India?

1. Minor irrigation and Water Management
2. Technical Training and Vocational Education
3. Market and Fairs
4. Public Distribution System

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

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

40. The National Bee Board is under the aegis of which of the following?

- (a) The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer Welfares  
(b) The Khadi and Village Industries Commission  
(c) The Ministry of Rural Development  
(d) The Ministry of Commerce and Industry

41. With reference to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), consider the following statements:

1. IPCC was created in 1988 by the United Nations Environment Programme and World Meteorological Organization.
2. It assesses climate-related issues, provides governments with scientific information which they can use to develop climate policies, and implements various climate-specific measures in the member countries.
3. It has as of now published five Assessment Reports on Climate Change.

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

- (a) All three (b) Only two  
(c) Only one (d) None

42. Consider the following pairs:

**List-I**

- A. 103<sup>rd</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act
- B. 69<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act
- C. 42<sup>nd</sup> Constitutional Amendment Act
- D. Article 161

**List-II**

- Reservation to Weaker Section
- Special Status to NCT of Delhi
- Added Secularism to Preamble
- Governor's power to pardon

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

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

43. Consider the following statements related to Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960:

1. There is a three-month limitation period after which no prosecution shall be allowed for any offense under the act.
2. The act establishes the Animal Welfare Board of India.
3. According to certain section of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, a wildlife offence report can be filed.
4. Under the act, several offences are cognizable, which means offenders can be arrested without an arrest warrant.

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

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

44. Consider the following statements:

1. Right to bail is a matter of right in all offences.
2. For anticipatory bail, one can only approach the relevant High Courts.
3. A Police officer can grant bail for a non-bailable offence under the Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC).

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

- (a) All three
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only one
- (d) None

45. Consider the following statements:

1. According to International Cricket Council (ICC) new rules, it will no longer be necessary for umpires to give soft signals when referring decisions to TV umpires.
2. 2028 and 2032 Summer Olympics will be held in the USA and Australia respectively.
3. Wimbledon is the third Grand Slam tournament in a Calander year.

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

- (a) All three
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only one
- (d) None

46. How many of the following statement(s) is/are correct regarding the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition, and Redressal) Act, 2013?

1. Vishakha Guidelines given by the Supreme Court of India in the case of Vishakha and Others v State of Rajasthan became the basis for the act.
2. Every employer is required to constitute an Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) at each office or branch with ten or more employees.
3. The act defines sexual harassment and mentions five circumstances that amount to sexual harassment.

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

- (a) All three
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only one
- (d) None

47. Consider the following statements:

**Statement I:** The first malaria vaccine RTS,S (Mosquirix) has been rolled out in various African countries on the recommendation of WHO.

**Statement II:** Till now, no malaria vaccine has shown the benchmark efficacy of 75% as set by WHO.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct and Statement II is the correct explanation for Statement I.
- (b) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct and Statement II is not the correct explanation for Statement I.
- (c) Statement I is correct but statement II is incorrect.
- (d) Statement I is incorrect but statement II is correct.



48. Consider the following pairs:

List-I	List-II
1. Panchayati Raj Diwas	April 24
2. International Day for Biological Diversity	Feb 22
3. World Bee Day	May 20
4. Wetland Day	May 22

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

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

49. Consider the following statements:

- India currently ranks four in terms of forex reserves with a little more than \$600 billion in its reserve.
- India's forex reserves comprise of foreign currency assets, gold, Special Drawing Rights and the reserve position with the IMF.

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

50. Most Favoured Nation and National Treatment Policy, two terms often seen in the news, are related to which of the following organisations?

- (a) World Bank  
(b) International Monetary Fund  
(c) World Trade Organization  
(d) World Health Organisation

51. Consider the following statements:

- Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) was initially formed as the Organization for European Economic Cooperation (OEEC) to oversee the Marshall Plan.
- Base Erosion and Profit Sharing (BEPS) is an initiative of OECD to identify ways of providing more standardized tax rules globally.

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

52. Consider the following statements:

- India has achieved an operational nuclear triad capability.
- India has adopted a policy of credible minimum deterrence.
- India is a member of both Wassenaar Agreement and Nuclear Supplier Group.

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

- (a) All three                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only one                      (d) None

53. With reference to the National Family Health Survey (NFHS-5), consider the following statements:

- 35% of Indian children under the age of five years are stunted, 19.3% wasted and 32.1% underweight.
- The state of Uttar Pradesh has seen the most cases of Severe Acute Malnutrition.
- 20 states and UTs have recorded a rise in the percentage of children below 5 years who are underweight.

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

- (a) All three                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only One                      (d) None

54. Consider the following statements:

- Origin of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) in India can be linked to the establishment of Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA) in 1972.
- Self-Help Group – Bank Linkage Project (SHG-BLP), started as a pilot programme by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in 1992, is today the world's largest micro-finance project.
- SHGs have over the years made a remarkable stride in the areas of gender equality, financial inclusion and greatly enhanced the social indicators of marginalized sections.

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

- (a) All three                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only one                      (d) None

55. Consider the following statements:

- Rehabilitation Council of India is a non-statutory body under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
- India is a party to the Declaration on the Full Participation and Equality of People with Disabilities in the Asia-Pacific Region.

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

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



63. With reference to Cartagena Protocol, consider the following statements:

1. The protocol concerns the movement of Living Modified Organisms (LMOs) resulting out of modern technology from one country to another.
2. It is a legally binding and supplementary agreement to Convention on Biological Diversity.
3. It has a provision to set-up Biosafety Clearing-House to facilitate information exchange on LMOs between countries.

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

- (a) All three (b) Only two  
(c) Only one (d) None

64. Consider the following statements:

1. Share of nuclear power is more than 7 percent in India's total energy mix.
2. Department of Atomic Energy functions under the Ministry of Science and Technology.
3. India has all its nuclear plants under IAEA Safeguards.

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

- (a) All three (b) Only two  
(c) Only one (d) None

65. Regarding the Surat split of 1907, consider the following statements:

1. The extremists demanded for the extension of the Boycott and Swadeshi movements beyond Bengal at the Banaras Session of the Indian National Congress (INC), 1905.
2. The 1907 session of INC at Surat was presided by Rash Behari Ghosh.
3. Lord Curzon was the governor general of the British India during the Surat Split.

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

- (a) All three (b) Only two  
(c) Only one (d) None

66. Match the paper/Journal given in the List-I with the respective founder/editor given in List-II.

**List-I**

- A. Bahishkrit Bharat
- B. Bandi Jeevan
- C. Sandhya
- D. Hitavada

**List-II**

1. B. R. Ambedkar
2. Gopal Krishna Gokhale
3. Sachindra Nath Sanyal
4. Brahmabandhab Upadhyay

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

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

67. Consider the following statements:

1. In Morley-Minto Reforms, Lord Morley was the then Viceroy of India and Lord Minto was the then Secretary of State for India.
2. It enlarged the deliberative functions of the legislative councils at both central and provincial levels.
3. It introduced the system of the separate electorate for Muslims as well as Sikhs, Indian Christians, Anglo Indians and Europeans.

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

- (a) All three (b) Only two  
(c) Only one (d) None

68. Consider the following statements:

1. The highest denomination of note that RBI has ever printed is Rs. 10,000 notes.
2. The legal basis for demonetising Indian currency comes from the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.
3. The recent withdrawal of Rs. 2000 notes have been done under RBI's Clean Note Policy.

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

- (a) All three (b) Only two  
(c) Only one (d) None

69. With reference to Permafrost, consider the following statements:

1. Permafrost is any ground that stays frozen for at least two years straight.
2. The active layer of the permafrost stays frozen all year long.
3. Lower permafrost layers contain soils made mostly of minerals.

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

- (a) All three (b) Only two  
(c) Only three (d) None

70. Consider the following statements:

**Statement I:** India considers the Non-proliferation Treaty (NPT) of 1968 discriminatory and has refused to sign it.

**Statement II:** The treaty allows the P5 nations to possess nuclear weapons while condemns the rest of the world.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct and Statement II is the correct explanation for Statement I.
- (b) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct and Statement II is not the correct explanation for Statement I.
- (c) Statement I is correct but statement II is incorrect.
- (d) Statement I is incorrect but statement II is correct.

71. With reference to Geographical Indication (GI) Tag in India, consider the following statements:

1. The registration of a geographical indication is valid for a period of 15 years and can be renewed from time to time for a period of 10 years each.
2. The first product to get GI tag in India was Basmati Rice.

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

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

72. 'Right to protection of a person who is arrested or detained' is protected under which Article of the Constitution of India?

- (a) Article 21
- (b) Article 19
- (c) Article 23
- (d) Article 22

73. With reference to World Migration Bird Day (WMBD), consider the following statements:

1. WMBD is a bi-annual campaign held on the second Saturday in May and October each year.
2. It is organised by the United Nation Environment Programme in collaboration with the African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbird Agreement.
3. The theme of WMBD 2023 is 'Water and its importance for Migratory Bird'.

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

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

74. Which one of the following is **not** the theme of the National Quantum Mission?

- (a) Quantum Communication
- (b) Quantum Sensing and Metrology
- (c) Quantum Material and Devices
- (d) Quantum Entanglement and Network

75. Consider the following statements:

1. Western Disturbance is a westerly-driven non-monsoonal extratropical storm which extracts moisture from the Mediterranean, Caspian and Black Seas.
2. The moist air masses that cause winter rain in the north-western part of India is part of Westerlies.

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. 'World Development Report' is released by which of the following?

- (a) World Economic Forum
- (b) World Bank
- (c) United Nation Population Fund
- (d) United Nation Development Programme

77. National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) has been created to fulfil the aspirations of which of the following Articles of the Constitution of India?

1. Article 14
2. Article 22
3. Article 39A
4. Article 21

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

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

78. According to a recent report of the National Human Rights Commission, in the last five years, the highest custodial death has been reported in which of the following state of India?

- (a) Uttar Pradesh
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Maharashtra
- (d) Tamil Nadu

79. Consider the following statements:

1. Supreme Court of India in its various judgments stated that the power to grant pardon under Article 72 of Indian Constitution is to be exercised on the advice of the Council of Ministers.
2. Governor of a state under Article 161 of the Constitution of India cannot suspend, remit or commute a death sentence even if a state law prescribes it.

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

80. The Secular nature of Indian State is enshrined in how many of the following parts of the Indian Constitution?

1. Preamble
2. Fundamental Rights
3. Directive Principles of State Policy
4. Fundamental Duties

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

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

81. Regarding the World Press Freedom Index 2023, consider the following statements:

1. Theme for World Press Freedom Day 2023 was 'Shaping a Future of Rights: Freedom of Expression as a Driver for All Other Human Rights'.
2. World Press Freedom Index is published by Reporters Without Borders, a non-governmental organisation based out of Paris, France.
3. India has slipped further to the rank of 161 from 150 in 2022 in the World Press Freedom Index 2023.

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

- (a) All three                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only one                      (d) None

82. Consider the following statements:

1. Wrestling Federation of India is affiliated to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS).
2. MYAS grants financial and infrastructural support to National and state sports federations and indirectly controls these federations through political representations.

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

83. Under the Sixth Schedule of the Indian Constitution, the District Council can function in how many of the following areas?

1. Primary Schools, markets, fisheries, etc.
2. Money lending and trading.
3. Marriage, divorce and inheritance.
4. Land, forests and roads.

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

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

84. With reference to 'Bharat Net Project', consider the following statements:

1. It aims to connect all the 2,50,000 Gram panchayats of the country.
2. The project is funded by the Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF).
3. It is a completely government led mission.

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

- (a) All three                      (b) Only two  
(c) Only one                      (d) None

85. Consider the following statements:

**Statement I:** Central Government has hiked the Minimum Support Price for Millets and various states have included it under their Public Distribution System.

**Statement II:** Millets are gluten free, photo-insensitive and can grow on poor soils with little or no external inputs.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct and Statement II is the correct explanation for Statement I.  
(b) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct and Statement II is not the correct explanation for Statement I.  
(c) Statement I is correct but statement II is incorrect.  
(d) Statement I is incorrect but statement II is correct.

86. What do you understand by 'Tax Buoyancy'?
- It refers to the responsiveness of tax revenue growth to changes in GDP.
  - It refers to changes in tax revenue in response to change in tax rate.
  - It means that tax rates at a certain threshold will reduce tax revenue.
  - A tax system in which everyone pays same percentage of tax, regardless of their incomes.

87. With reference to 'Genome India Project', consider the following statements:
- The project aims to sequence the genome of over 10,000 Indians from different parts of the country and create a reference genome for the Indian Population.
  - The project is carried out with the collaboration of 20 institutions, including Indian Institute of Science and some IITs.

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

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

88. Consider the following statements:
- All the members of the European Union share Euro as their official currency.
  - European Union has been officially declared by European Parliament as an 'LGBTIQ Freedom Zone'.
  - Both Treaty of Brussels and Schuman Plan were key to the formation of the European Union.

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

- All three
- Only two
- Only one
- None

89. Match the diseases mentioned in List-I with their respective causes given in List-II.

**List-I**

- Malaria
- Leprosy
- Dengue
- Sickle cell Anaemia

**List-II**

- Viral
- Bacterial
- Parasitic
- Genetic

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

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

90. Consider the following statements:

- The 73<sup>rd</sup> Constitutional Amendment, which granted constitutional status to the Panchayati Raj, was brought by the P. V. Narasimha Rao Government.
- The organization of the Gram Sabha is a compulsory provision of the 73<sup>rd</sup> Constitutional Amendment and Sabha's powers and functions are determined by the State Legislature.

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

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

91. Which of the following reasonable restrictions are *not* specific to the Freedom of Speech and Expression covered under Article 19 of the Indian Constitution?

- Public order
- Morality
- Contempt of court
- Interest of general public

92. Which of the following is called as the Powerhouse of a Cell?

- Mitochondria
- Lysosomes
- Golgi Apparatus
- Endoplasmic Reticulum

93. Which one of the following indicators is *not* part of the Global Hunger Index?

- Child Wasting
- Child Stunting
- Undernourishment
- Anaemia

94. Which of the following are the functions of National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)?

- Refinance Support
- Rural Infrastructure
- Supervising Cooperative banks and Regional Rural Banks
- Watershed Development
- Handicrafts Training

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

- 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
- 1, 2, and 3 only
- 1, 3, 4, and 5 only
- 1, 2, 3, and 4 only

95. With reference to Western Dedicated Freight Corridor, consider the following statements:
1. It covers Haryana, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh.
  2. The corridor is funded by Japan International Cooperation Agency.
  3. It connects all the major ports along the way.
- How many of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) All three  
(b) Only two  
(c) Only one  
(d) None
96. 'Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism' is related to which of the following organisations?
- (a) United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)  
(b) European Union  
(c) BRICS  
(d) ASEAN
97. Consider the following statements:
1. India has become the first country to develop all three foundational Digital Public Infrastructures (DPIs).
  2. India Stack is a set of APIs that allows only the government to deploy cashless and paperless technology products.
  3. Aadhaar, UPI and Account Aggregator built on the platform of the Data Empowerment Protection Architecture (DEPA) form the base of India Stack.
- How many of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?
- (a) All three  
(b) Only two  
(c) Only one  
(d) None
98. Which of the following countries do **not** border with the Lake Victoria?
- (a) Uganda  
(b) Kenya  
(c) Tanzania  
(d) Rwanda
99. A global initiative popularly known as '30 x 30 target' is often seen in news. Which one of the following statements best reflects this initiative?
- (a) At least 30% of the land and ocean should be protected by 2030.  
(b) At least 30% of the deserted land should be recovered by 2030.  
(c) At least 30% of the energy requirements should be met by renewables by 2030.  
(d) At least 30% of the people below poverty line should be brought out of their poverty by 2030.
100. Which of the following are the applications of 'Machine Learning'?
1. Predictive Modelling
  2. Image Recognition
  3. Recommendation Systems
  4. Voice Recognition
  5. Classification
  6. Text to Speech
- Select the correct option using the codes given below:
- (a) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 only  
(b) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6  
(c) 1, 2 and 3 only  
(d) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only