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Test No. – 5

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Paper—I

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1: In the context of Forex Reserves, consider the following statement

1. The forex reserve has continuously increasing in India
2. Foreign exchange reserves refers to the reserves of the RBI kept in the form Indian currency assets, gold, SDR and reserve tranche position with the IMF.
3. RBI act as the custodian of foreign reserves by taking power from Reserve bank of India act 1934
4. forex reserve help in Supporting and maintaining confidence in the policies for monetary and exchange rate management.

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A: Only one statement is correct
 B: Two statements are correct
 C: Three statements are correct
 D: All the statement are correct

2: In the context of sovereign green bond, consider the following statement

1. Green bonds which popularly known as climate bonds, are variable interest-bearing financial instruments issued by any sovereign entity or inter-governmental organisation
2. In sovereign green bond there is a cap on foreign investment
3. RBI is banker and debt manager of central as well as all state government

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
 B: Two statements are correct
 C: Three statements are correct
 D: None of the statement is correct

3: Consider the following statements with reference to the Windfall tax:

1. The tax is imposed by the Central government over sectors that have crossed profits above 100 crores in a financial year.
2. The tax is a regular tax that is imposed retrospectively above the normal tax rate.
3. Such taxes aim to redistribute excess profits in one area and raise funds for social good.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
 B: Two statements are correct
 C: Three statements are correct
 D: None of the statement is correct

4: Consider the following statement

1. P T Usha became the first nominated member of the Rajya Sabha to be included in the panel of Vice-Chairman of the House.
2. Panel Members of the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha has been properly mention in the constitution
3. The panel member can preside when the presiding officer's seat is vacant in any house

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
 B: Two statements are correct
 C: Three statements are correct
 D: None of the statement is correct

5: In the context of Neutral citation system, consider the following statement

1. the Supreme Court will adopt a "neutral citation system" for its judgments.
2. Makes it easier for legal practitioners to locate and cite cases accurately and efficiently.
3. The Delhi, Kerala, and Madras HCs have already introduced neutral citation.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
 B: Two statements are correct
 C: Three statements are correct

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D:None of the statement is correct

6:In the context of Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) Report,consider the following statement

- 1.The first FLN report was released in 2021 which is a benchmark for states and UTs to track their performance in achieving universal foundational learning by 2026-27.
- 2.The Index includes five pillars which are: 1) Educational Infrastructure, 2) Access to Education, 3) Basic Health, 4) Learning Outcomes and 5) Governance
- 3.The second edition of the (FLN) report captures the role of language in education and focuses on improving the learning outcomes using appropriate assessments and medium of instruction.
4. Uttar Pradesh maintained its lead while West Bengal stood at the bottom.

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A:Only one statement is correct
B:Two statements are correct
C:Three statements are correct
D:All the statement are correct

7:In the context of Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha Evam Utthan Mahabhiyan (PM-KUSUM), consider the following statement

- 1.The PM KUSUM scheme was launched by Ministry of Environment and climate change in 2019, to add solar capacity of 30,800 MW by 2022
- 2.The scheme aims to boost solar capacity to provide energy security to Indian farmers. At the same time, it aims to achieve the aim by increasing India's share of solar power generation.
- 3.The center will provide subsidy of 40%,state 30% and rest the farmer have to pay under the scheme for all the state except North east

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A:Only one statement is correct
B:Two statements are correct
C:Three statements are correct
D:None of the statement is correct

8:In the context of NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION TRUST (NICDIT),consider the following statement

- 1.NICDIT is the institutional framework to implement the National Industrial Corridor Project
- 2.The NICDIT is under the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- 3.Chennai Bengaluru Industrial corridor is south India first Industrial corridor Project

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A:Only one statement is correct
B:Two statements are correct
C:Three statements are correct
D:None of the statement is correct

9:In the context of startup India scheme,consider the following statement

- 1.The scheme launch in 2016 by ministry of commerce and industry to build a strong ecosystem that support the growth of startup businesses
- 2.Startups incorporated on or after 1st April 2016 are exempted from income-tax for a period of 4 consecutive years out of 10 years since incorporation.
- 3.SFURTI program was launched for providing financial support to startups.

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which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the statement is correct

10: Recently the Global Quality Infrastructure Index (GQII) 2021 was released, In this context consider the following statement

1. GQII ranks 184 economies in the world on the basis of quality infrastructure (QI) and the top 25 QI systems are mainly located in Europe, North America.
2. Quality Council of India (QCI) is the body that handles accreditation in India where as the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) is responsible for developing standards
3. India's national accreditation system has been ranked 5th in the world in GQII 2021.
4. QCI is a non-profit organization Nodal Ministry is the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: All the statement are correct

11: Consider the following statements regarding the Autonomous districts under the Sixth Schedule:

1. The governor can provide for division of autonomous district into several regions.
2. The district council consists of thirty members solely elected based on universal adult franchise.
3. The governor has the powers to dissolve the district council.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the statement is correct

12: The provisions of the CAG's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971 mandates which of the following functions explicitly for the Comptroller and Auditor General of India?

1. Audit of receipts and expenditure of bodies or authorities substantially financed from Union or State Revenues including government companies and corporations.
2. Audit all transactions of the Union and of the States relating to Contingency Funds and Public Accounts.
3. Audit of Public-Partnership Projects or joint ventures with only minority participation by the government agency without approval from the President or Governor.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the statement is correct

13: With respect to "Municipal Corporations," consider the following statements:

1. They are established in the states by the acts of the concerned state legislatures.
2. All the councillors in the council are elected directly by the people.
3. The municipal commissioner is the chief executive authority of the corporation and appointed by the central government.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct

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B:Two statements are correct
C:Three statements are correct
D:None of the statement is correct

14:With respect to the Corporate Social Responsibility in India, consider the following statements:

1. Business Responsibility and Sustainability Report (BRSR) seeks sustainability reporting disclosure from listed entities only.
 2. The BRSRs have been introduced through amending Corporate Social Responsibility Provisions under the Companies Act.
 - 3.Environment, Social, and Governance (ESG) reporting in India started in 2009 with the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) issuing the Voluntary Guidelines on Corporate Social Responsibility.
- which of the following statement is/are correct?**

A:Only one statement is correct
B:Two statements are correct
C:Three statements are correct
D:None of the statement is correct

15:Consider the following statements regarding Municipal bonds in India:

1. Municipal bonds are issued by local government bodies, and do carry any government guarantee.
2. They are low-risk bonds compared to government securities and state government bonds.
3. Municipal Bond Market is regulated by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) in India
- 4.NSE Indices Ltd an NSE (National Stock Exchange) arm has introduced the country's first ever municipal bond index.

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

A:Only one statement is correct

B:Two statements are correct
C:Three statements are correct
D:All the statement are correct

16:Consider the following statements regarding the Zero Coupon Zero Principal Instruments (ZCZP):

1. ZCZPs resemble debt bonds but are devoid of any interest or principal repayment obligation upon maturity.
 2. The investors can subscribe to ZCZP instruments to fund specified social impact projects by Non-Profit Organizations.
- 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:In the context of Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM), consider the following statement

1. It was launched during the tenth Five Year Plan.
- 2 It aims to reach out to 10 crore poor households by mobilize rural women into community institutions
- 3It is implemented by the Minsitry of Rural Development.
- 4 Start-up Village Entrepreneurship is a sub-scheme of DAY-NRLM.

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

A:Only one statement is correct
B:Two statements are correct
C:Three statements are correct
D:All the statement are correct

18:In the context of Self Help Group,consider the following statement

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1. SHGs are small informal groups of 10 to 20 people who come together to address their common problems.
2. It is mandatory for SHGs to register under any Societies Act, State cooperative Act, or partnership firm.
3. SHGs are the basic unit under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihood Mission.
4. SHGs are involved in developing a Village Poverty Reduction plan to be integrated into Gram Panchayat Development Plan

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: All the statements are correct

19: In the context of farm mechanisation, consider the following statement

1. Farm mechanisation in India is marked by 'tractorisation'
2. Farm mechanization refers to the development and use of machines that can take the place of human and animal power in agricultural processes.
3. The farm mechanisation level in India is higher than Brazil but lower than China
4. The National Industrial Classification Code gives a separate code for farming machinery industry.
5. Farm mechanisation increased the productivity and increased the input cost

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A: Only Two statements are correct
- B: Three statements are correct
- C: Four statements are correct
- D: All the statements are correct

20: Consider the following statements regarding National Small Savings Fund (NSSF):

1. NSSF is established within Public account of India.
2. The transactions of NSSF affect the fiscal deficit of the country directly.
3. The NSSF money can be used to finance fiscal deficit of the state and central governments.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the statements is correct

21: Which of the following best describes SCORES system?

- (a) It is an online platform designed to help investors to lodge their complaints, pertaining to securities market.
- (b) It is an accounting mechanism for carbon emissions for the Developed countries and Economies in Transition.
- (c) It is a web-based mechanism by the income tax department to cater to unorganized sector.
- (d) It is a supply chain resilience mechanism by the Shanghai Cooperation Organization.

22: In the context of Government securities (G-SECS) consider the following statement

1. Government securities are tradable instruments that acknowledge government's assets.
2. While Central government can issue both treasury bills and dated securities, state governments can only issue dated securities

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only

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

23: Consider the following statements regarding the Tumkuru Industrial township:

1. It will be the first industrial corridor in South Asia.
2. It is a part of National Industrial Corridor programme.
3. Its being built as a part of Chennai-Bengaluru Industrial Corridor.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
B: Two statements are correct
C: Three statements are correct
D: None of the statement is correct

24: Consider the following statements regarding the OECD's 'Two-Pillar Solution' to address Tax Challenges Arising from Digitalisation of Economy:

1. It will reallocate 25% of the residual profits made by all the profitable Multinational Companies to market jurisdictions where the companies are registered.
2. It is agreed by nearly 138 countries including India.
3. Once adopted, it will replace the equalization levy introduced by India.
4. Equalisation levy is also known as google tax which is a direct tax introduced in 2016 to tax digital economy

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A: Only one statement is correct
B: Two statements are correct
C: Three statements are correct
D: All the statement are correct

25: With reference to Controller and Auditor General (CAG), consider the following statements:

1. All publicly funded bodies fall under the ambit of CAG.
2. Qualification for the appointment of CAG is laid down in the constitution.
3. CAG is an Independent authority under Article 148 of the constitution of India
4. CAG is the head of Indian audit and accounts and guardian of the public purse and supervises the whole financial system of the country

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A: Only one statement is correct
B: Two statements are correct
C: Three statements are correct
D: All the statement are correct

26: Consider the following statements:

1. Parliamentary Privileges have been codified in India.
2. Under Article 121 Parliament can discuss the judicial conduct of a judge of the Supreme Court.

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

27: Consider the following statements with respect to the position of Mayor under the 74th Constitutional Amendment Act of 1992:

1. It has prescribed the manner of election, tenure, or powers of the Mayors of Urban Local Bodies.
2. It said that Mayor should be the chief executive of a city.

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Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

28:With reference to Judicial Majoritarianism, consider the following statements:

- 1. The requirement for a majority consensus flows from Article 145(5) of the Constitution.
- 2. Constitutional Benches should consist of five or more judges.

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

29:In the context of Internet shutdown,consider the following statements

- 1.According to an Internet advocacy watchdog access report India topped the internet shutdowns list for the fifth successive year
- 2.Jammu and Kashmir accounted for the highest number of internet shutdowns followed by West Bengal and Rajasthan
- 3.Right to Internet is fundamental right under the article 19 and article 21

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A:Only one statement is correct
- B:Two statements are correct
- C:Three statements are correct
- D:None of the statement is correct

30:Consider the following statements with respect to the sanctioned strength of the Supreme Court (SC) of India:

- 1. The sanctioned strength for the judges of the Supreme Court of India is 31.

- 2. It is prescribed by law made by Parliament under Article 124.

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

31:Famous A.D.M. Jabalpur v. Shivkant Shukla (1976) case is known for:

- (a) right to life and personal liberty
- (b) upholding the right to privacy
- (c) right to free and fair election
- (d) right to education

32:Consider the following statements regarding the International Financial Architecture (IFA):

- 1. It refers to the collective governance arrangements at the international level for safeguarding the effective functioning of the global monetary and financial systems.
- 2. Its objective is to promote economic growth while ensuring financial stability.
- 3.Sovereign Debt Vulnerability refers to 'the risk that a country will violate the solvency and liquidity conditions and enter a crisis'.
- 4.Petrodollars are the US dollar deposits in commercial bank outside US

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A:Only one statement is correct
- B:Two statements are correct
- C:Three statements are correct
- D:All the statement are correct

33:In the context of Disaster Diplomacy ,Consider the following statement

- 1.India launched Operation Dost for life-saving Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster

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Relief(HADR) operations in earthquake hit UAE and Syria.

2.Oslo Guidelines is on the Use of Foreign Military and Civil Defence Assets in Disaster Relief.

3.Operation Castor and Operation Rainbow were launched in 2004 to help the Tsunami hit Maldives and Sri Lanka **which of the following statement is/are correct?**

- A:Only one statement is correct
- B:Two statements are correct
- C:Three statements are correct
- D:None of the statement is correct

34:With reference to the India-Russia relationship, consider the following statements:

1. Recently, the Treaty of Friendship and Cooperation signed between India and Russia completed 50 years.
2. In 2010, the Strategic Partnership was elevated to the level of a Special and Privileged Strategic Partnership.
3. The Treaty of Friendship and Cooperation contains security clauses along with other provisions on Peace, Friendship and Cooperation.
- 4.India and Russia have also signed a tripartite pact with Nepal for civil nuclear cooperation

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A:Only one statement is correct
- B:Two statements are correct
- C:Three statements are correct
- D:All the statement are correct

35:The year 2023 marks 50 years of establishment of full diplomatic relations between India and Qatar since 1973. In this context, consider the following statements about Qatar:

1. It is located on the west coast of the Persian Gulf.
2. It shares land border with Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates.
3. The year 2019 was celebrated as India-Qatar year of culture.
- 4.Zair-Ai-Bahr is a joint Naval exercise between India and Qatar

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A:Only one statement is correct
- B:Two statements are correct
- C:Three statements are correct
- D:All the statement are correct

36:Consider the following statement

- 1.Chicago Convention is related to International civil aviation
 - 2.ICAO is a United Nations (UN) specialized agency, established in 1944, which laid the foundation for the standards and procedures for peaceful global air navigation.
 - 3.ICAO objectives is to foster the planning and development of international air transport
- which of the following statement is/are correct?**

- A:Only one statement is correct
- B:Two statements are correct
- C:Three statements are correct
- D:None of the statement is correct

37:Consider the following statements regarding the 'Fab 4 alliance':

1. It is an alliance of world's top producers of semiconductors i.e. India, United States, Japan and South Korea.
 2. It was proposed by India and the USA in 2022.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2

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(d) Neither 1 nor 2

38: Consider the following statements regarding the Paris Club:

1. It is an informal group of official creditors whose objective is to find coordinated and sustainable solutions to the payment difficulties experienced by debtor countries.

2. India is a member of the Paris Club.

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

39: In the context of crypto assets action plan, consider the following statement

1. Bali fintech agenda is related to crypto assets

2. Cryptocurrency is a type of digital currency that uses cryptography for security and anticounterfeiting measures.

3. In 2020, Supreme Court declared a RBI circular which prevented banks from dealing in cryptocurrencies as constitutional.

4. In Budget 2022-23, Government proposed to levy tax of 30% on transfer of virtual assets including NFTs and cryptocurrencies

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

A: Only one statement is correct

B: Two statements are correct

C: Three statements are correct

D: All the statement are correct

40: In the context of financial action task force (FATF), consider the following statement

1. FATF is an inter-governmental body that leads global action to tackle money laundering, terrorist and proliferation financing

2. Countries in grey list may face Economic sanctions ; Problem in getting loans from IMF,

World Bank and Reduction in international trade.

3. UAE, Turkiye, Jordan, South Africa nations are in Grey List.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

A: Only one statement is correct

B: Two statements are correct

C: Three statements are correct

D: None of the statement is correct

41: Consider the following statements regarding the Global International Biofuel Alliance (GIBA):

1. It was launched by India during India Energy Week 2023.

2. It will help create a favorable ecosystem for promoting development and deployment of biofuels with key stakeholders including the US, Brazil, EU.

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

42: In the context of Maritime security, consider the following statement

1. Indian Ocean Naval Symposium' (IONS) is a voluntary initiative that seeks to increase maritime co-operation among navies of the littoral states of the Indian Ocean Region.

2. Coastal Security Scheme (CSS) is under ministry of defense to strengthen the patrolling and surveillance of coastal areas, particularly in shallow water areas close to the coast

3. Project Mausam: It aims to re-connect and reestablish communications between countries of the Indian Ocean world.

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which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the statement is correct

43: In the context of Vibrant Villages Programme, consider the following statement

1. Vibrant Villages Programme (VVP) Scheme is a Centrally Sector Scheme which will provide funds for development of essential infrastructure and creation of livelihood opportunities along the northern land border
2. Vibrant Village Action Plans will be created by district administration with the help of Gram Panchayats.
3. Scheme will help in improving quality of life of people and reversing outmigration adding to improved security of border

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the statement is correct

44: Consider the following pairs Exercise

Country

- | | |
|--------------------|-------------|
| 1. Tarkash | Indo-france |
| 2. Dharma Guardian | India china |
| 3. Dustlik | India- |
| Uzbekistan | |
| 4. Desert flag | India-Spain |

Which of the following pairs is/are correct

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A: Only one pair is correct
- B: Two pair are correct
- C: Three pair are correct

D: All the pair are correct

45: Consider the following system

1. LORA (LONG-RANGE ARTILLERY WEAPON SYSTEM) is a short-range, road-mobile, ground and sea-launched solid fuelled ballistic missile developed and operated by Israel.
2. LORA system provides ballistic assault capabilities for multiple ranges (maximum range 280km) with a precision level of 10 meters CEP (Circular Error Probability)
3. It can carry a warhead of upto 600 kg.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the statement is correct

46: Consider the following statements in the context of the Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS):

1. Elected Members of Rajya Sabha can recommend works within the State of Election with select exceptions.
2. Nominated Members of both the Rajya Sabha and Lok Sabha can recommend works anywhere in the country.
3. Interest accumulated on the MPLADS fund shall be deposited in the Consolidated Fund of India.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the statement is correct

47: Consider the following statements with reference to Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN):

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- 1.FLN report has been prepared by the Institute for Competitiveness
2. It refers to basic skills in reading, writing, and mathematics.
3. NIPUN Bharat has been launched by the Ministry of Education to attain FLN by the end of grade.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A:Only one statement is correct
B:Two statements are correct
C:Three statements are correct
D:None of the statement is correct

48:Consider the following pairs: Report

Released by	Frequency
1. Annual Status of Education Report	
Pratham	Once every two year
2. National Achievement Survey	
Ministry of Education	Annually
3.FLN report	NITI
Aayog	Annually

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

- A:Only one Pair is correct
B:Two pair are correct
C:Three Pair are correct
D:None of the Pair is correct

49:Consider the following statements regarding the Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs):

1. There is a total of 75 PVTGs in India that resides in all Indian states.
2. Tribal face "Triple Burden of Diseases" which includes high rates of malnutrition, communicable diseases and rising non-communicable diseases .
3. The highest number of PVTGs is found in Odisha.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A:Only one statement is correct
B:Two statements are correct
C:Three statements are correct
D:None of the statement is correct

50:'Rashtriya Garima Abhiyaan' is a National campaign to:

- (a) release the child labourers from their bondage and rehabilitate them.
(b) release the sex workers from their practice and provide them with alternative sources of livelihood.
(c) eradicate the practice of manual scavenging and rehabilitate the manual scavengers.
(d) provide suitable sources of livelihood to street vendors.

51:With reference to the Mental Healthcare Act, 2017, consider the following statements:

1. It has banned the treatment of minors by electric shocks.
- 2.It has ban the mandates use of Muscle relaxants and anesthesia for electric shock therapy on adults
3. It has decriminalised suicides.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A:Only one statement is correct
B:Two statements are correct
C:Three statements are correct
D:None of the statement is correct

52:Consider the following statements regarding the Transplantation of Human Organs Act, 1994:

1. The act accepted brain death as a form of death and made the sale of organs a punishable offence.

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2. The Act establishes the National Organ and Tissue Transplant Organisation to oversee organ transplantation in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

53: Consider the following statements regarding 'Mission Antyodaya Survey 2022-23':

- 1. It is carried out coterminous with People's Plan Campaign.
- 2. It is launched by Ministry of Rural development and Panchayati Raj.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

54: Consider the following statements with respect to Jadui Pitara:

- 1. It is a set of playbooks, puzzles, flashcards, posters, worksheets, and storybooks tailored for children.
- 2. It has been developed under National Curriculum Framework for Foundational Stage.

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: In the context of Global Quality Infrastructure Index (GQII) 2021, consider the following statement

1. India's accreditation system ranked 5th in Global Quality Infrastructure Index (GQII) 2021.

2. GQII program is an initiative to research and disseminate data on Quality Infrastructure (QI).

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

56: With reference to Indus River System, what would be the correct sequence of occurrence of rivers if one would travel from North to South direction.

- 1) Ravi
- 2) Sutlej
- 3) Jhelum
- 4) Chenab

Select the correct answer from the codes given below.

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

57: With reference to Indus Water Treaty consider the following statements:

- 1. It was UN brokered treaty, concluded between India and Pakistan in 1951.
 - 2. It allocated the three western rivers-Indus, Chenab and Jhelum, to Pakistan for unrestricted use.
 - 3. As per the treaty, India can use the water of Indus for all purpose except power generation.
 - 4. Kishanganga and Ratle hydroelectric projects located in the state of Himachal Pradesh.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: All the statement are correct

58: In the context of International court of justice ,consider the following statement

1. The International Court of Justice (ICJ) is the principal judicial organ of the United Nations (UN) which was established in June 1945 by the Charter of the United Nations and began work in April 1946.
2. ICJ Composed of 15 judges elected to nine-year terms of office by the United Nations General Assembly and the Security Council.
3. ICJ has two primary functions one To settle legal disputes submitted by States and To act as an advisory board on issues submitted to it by authorized international organizations.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the stattement is correct

59: Consider the following with reference to 'Young Professionals Scheme.

1. It has been launched by World Bank and Government of India.
2. It aims to upgrade skills of graduates in the fields of Artificial intelligence and Machine learning.

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 about European Sky Shield Initiative:

1. Aims to develop a common air and missile defence system to defend European and NATO airspace.
2. All European Countries are a part of this initiative.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

61: Consider the following statements:

1. India and Egypt are founding members of NAM.
2. Sharm-El-Sheikh is located on the Mediterranean Sea.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

62: With reference to the All-India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) consider the following statements?

1. Survey is calculated by the Higher education regulator University Grant Commission.
2. As per the survey, female participation is more than the male participation in higher education.
3. COVID period saw the rise of enrollment in higher education.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct

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D:None of the statement is correct

63:Consider the following statements related to Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) 2005:

1. It provides for 100 days of guaranteed wage employment to the rural households who volunteer to do unskilled manual work.
2. Scheme is managed by the local self-government institutions.
3. The District collector shall conduct regular social audits of all the projects under the scheme taken up within the Gram Panchayat.
4. There should be an ombudsperson for each district who will receive grievances, conduct enquiries, and pass awards.

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A:Only one statement is correct
 B:Two statements are correct
 C:Three statements are correct
 D:All the statement are correct

64:In the context of LGBTQ issues ,consider the following statement

1. The 2011 Indian Census marked the first time that an "other" category was added to the male and female options on the question about sex.
2. In Navtej Singh Johar vs. Union of India supreme court held that transgender people should be legally recognised according to their gender identity, enjoy all fundamental rights, and receive special benefits in education and employment.
3. In NALSA vs Union of India supreme court decriminalised homosexuality under section 377 of IPC, as it is violative of the right to freedom of life, privacy and equality of sexual minorities.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A:Only one statement is correct

- B:Two statements are correct
 C:Three statements are correct
 D:None of the statement is correct

65:In the context of Menstrual leave,consider the following statement

1. Kerala government would grant menstrual leave to female students studying in all state universities coming under the Department of Higher Education.
2. Menstrual Benefit Bill, 2017 was introduced in Lok Sabha as a public member's bill with the motive of facilitating women with certain menstrual benefits at workplaces or in institutions of education.
3. Bihar is the only state in the country that has government-approved period leaves.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A:Only one statement is correct
 B:Two statements are correct
 C:Three statements are correct
 D:None of the statement is correct

66:Consider the following statements regarding Census in India:

1. Census data is used for demarcation of constituencies at center and state level.
2. Kautilya's Arthashastra also mentions collection of population data exercise like it.
3. The subject of population falls under the concurrent list.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A:Only one statement is correct
 B:Two statements are correct
 C:Three statements are correct
 D:None of the statement is correct

67:Consider the following statements regarding "gig economy" in India:

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1. The workers of gig economy are under the purview of the Unorganised Workers Social Security Act.

2. They are eligible for social security benefits.

Which of the following statements is/are correct:

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

68:Global Gender Gap report is published by which of the following?

- (a) World Bank
- (b) UN Women
- (c) World Economic Forum
- (d) UNDP

69:Consider the following pairs

Jain sites	States
1. Shetrunjay hill:	Jharkhand
2. Sammed Sikhar:	Gujarat
3. Udayagiri-Khandagiri:	Madhya Pradesh
4. Sittanavasal:	Tamil Nadu

How many pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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

70:Consider the following statements:

1. At the Haripura Congress Session, Subhash Chandra Bose advocated for state-controlled economic development.
2. He was elected as Congress President in 1928 when the annual session was convened at Haripur in Bengal.
3. National Planning Committee, 1938 was set up under the chairmanship of Bose.
4. Subhas Chandra Bose was born on 23rd January 1897, in West Bengal .

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A:Only one statement is correct
- B:Two statements are correct
- C:Three statements are correct
- D:All the statement are correct

71:Which of the following cities in India have been included in the list of World Heritage List:

1. Varanasi
2. Jaipur
3. Ahmedabad
4. Mumbai
5. Delhi
6. Srinagar

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 4 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 5 and 6 only
- (d) 1 and 2 only

72:In the context of Jainism,consider the following statement

1.Parasnath Hills are a range of hills located in Giridih district of Jharkhand, Which is one of the most important pilgrimage centres for Jains.

2.PARASNATH Born in Varanasi and he was 22nd Jain Tirthankar belonging to 7-8th century BCE and the spiritual successor of 21st Tirthankara Neminatha.

3.He is the only Tirthankara who gained the title of Kalikalkalpataru.

4.Karuna Sutra contains biographies of the Tirthankaras Parsvanatha and Mahavira.

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A:Only one statement is correct
- B:Two statements are correct
- C:Three statements are correct
- D:All the statement are correct

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73: Consider the following statements about Purana Qila:

1. The foundation of Purana Qila was first laid by Sher Shah Suri.
2. There is an existence of painted greyware in Purana Qila.

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

74: In the context of Rani Velu Nachiyar , consider the following statement

1. Rani Velu Nachiyar was the first queen to fight against the British colonial power in India.
2. She went on to produce the first human bomb as well as establish the first army of trained women soldiers

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

75 Consider the following pairs

Martial Art	State
1. Thangta	Punjab
2. Gatka	Manipur
3. Kalaripaytu	Andhra Pradesh

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one Pair is correct
- B: Two Pair are correct
- C: Three Pair are correct
- D: None of the Pair is correct

76: In the context of Dhanu Yatra , consider the following statement

1. It is the world's largest open air-theatre and has been mentioned in the Guinness Book of World records.

2. 'Dhanu Yatra' revolves around the episode of Krishna and Balaram's visit to Mathura to witness the Dhanu ceremony organized by their (maternal) Uncle Kansa.

3. The department of Culture of the Government of India has accorded National Festival status to Dhanu Yatra in November 2014.

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the statement is correct

77: In the context of Parshuram Kund Festival, consider the following statement

1. Parshuram Kund Mela is an annual religious fair, also referred to as the Kumbh of the Northeast.

2. Parshuram Kund is situated within the Kamlang Reserve Forest area in Lohit District of Arunachal Pradesh.

3. Mishmi, Khamti, Digaru and Miju are few tribes in Arunachal Pradesh

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the statement is correct

78: Consider the following pairs

Sari varieties	State
1. Kuppadam sari	Maharashtra
2. Maheshwari sari	Andhra Pradesh
3. Narayanpet sari	Tamil Nadu
4. Kasavu Sari	Kerala

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How many pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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

79: Sand Box Technique is a architectural technique which is prominently employed by which of the following?

- (a) Hoysala temples
- (b) Kakatiya temples
- (c) Chalukyan temples
- (d) Gupta temples

80: Consider the following statements:

1. The Lithium triangle consist of China, Argentina and Bolivia.
2. Cumilatively, South America is the continent with largest lithium deposits.
3. Under the Geological Knowledge, the exploration for any mineral deposit involves four stages: reconnaissance survey , preliminary exploration , general exploration and detailed exploration .

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the stattement is correct

81: The terms Manzius U and Boguslawsky M were recently seen in news. What are they?

- (a) They are meteors which are likely to collide with earth in near future.
- (b) They are potential habitable planets in the goldilocks zone of their sun.

(c) They are space missions jointly launched by Russia and China.

(d) They are craters in the south polar region of the moon where Chandrayaan may possibly land.

82: Consider the following statements regarding India's lunar missions:

1. Chandrayaan 2 contained both lander and rover which were absent in Chandrayaan 1.
2. Chandrayaan 2 though failed to land safely, confirmed the Ocean magma hypothesis.
3. Chandrayaan 3 will also probe into the exoplanets for habitability.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the stattement is correct

83: Consider the following statements regarding NISAR satellite:

1. It is a collaborative project of ISRO and NASA.
2. It aims to map the entire globe for understanding the changes in earth's ecosystem.
3. It has recently successfully began sending data from the space.
4. NASA is to provide the L-band radar, GPS, a high-capacity solid-state recorder to store data, and a payload data subsystem.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: All the statement are correct

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84: Recently, World Health Organization released the 'Zero Draft' of the new pandemic treaty under negotiation. Consider the following statements regarding the draft:

1. It calls for the establishment of a Pathogen Access and benefit-sharing system which is to cover all pathogens with pandemic potential.
2. The aims to dilute the WHO's authority and create a more decentralized authority to declare a pandemic and trigger response.
3. It calls for reducing the inequitable access to pandemic-related products

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
 B: Two statements are correct
 C: Three statements are correct
 D: None of the statement is correct

85: Recently World's first 3-D printed rocket engine was developed in which of the following countries?

- (a) USA
 (b) China
 (c) India
 (d) France

86: Consider the following statements:

1. International Intellectual Property Index is released by the World Intellectual Property Organization.
2. India is ranked 42 among the world's leading 55 leading economies.

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

87: Recently various electronic companies are showing their interest in

MicroLED (mLED or μ LED) display technology. Consider the following statements regarding Organic LED and MicroLED:

1. Both Organic LED and mLED have self-emissive display pixels.
2. The LEDs are made of inorganic material in mLEDs but in organic LEDs, they are carbon-based.
3. Lifespan of Organic LEDs is long but that of mLEDs is short.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
 B: Two statements are correct
 C: Three statements are correct
 D: None of the statement is correct

88: Consider the following statements regarding digital connectivity in India:

1. The National Digital Communications Policy emphasized on Digital Connectivity Infrastructure under 'Propel India' mission.
2. In India, Digital Connectivity Infrastructure (DCI) Provider authorization is provided under Unified Licence regime.

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

89: Large Language Models, recently seen in news relates to:

- (a) The United Nations project to conserve threatened languages.
 (b) Software coding technologies needed for Solar mission.
 (c) AI systems that can help in writing essays and social media posts.

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(d) Language module standards created to decipher ancient texts.

90: Consider the following statements regarding 'Aadhar Mitra':

1. It is a volunteer scheme to help people to solve aadhar related services.
2. It can provide information about most Aadhaar services such as Aadhaar Centers, Aadhaar Enrolment, Update status.

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

91: Consider the following statements regarding Geomagnetic Storms:

1. They are a disturbance in earth's magnetosphere.
2. It is caused by the periodic reversal in magnetic field on the earth.
3. It creates bright red auroras.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

which of the following statement is/are correct?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: None of the statement is correct

92: Trends in maternal mortality 2000 to 2020 report was recently released by which of the following?

- (a) NITI Aayog
- (b) World Health Organization
- (c) UNESCO
- (d) World Economic Forum

93: Dar-es-Salaam declaration was recently seen in news. It is related to:

- (a) Bringing stability to the Arabian peninsula through consultation.
- (b) Commitment by small island developing countries to sustainable development.
- (c) Ending AIDS in children by 2030.
- (d) Declaration to end deaths due to road accidents

94: Consider the following statement

1. Sounding rockets are one or two stage solid propellant rockets.
2. They are used for probing upper atmospheric regions.
3. Hybrid-sounding rockets use a mix of one solid and one liquid or gas propellents.
4. In India, private players are not allowed to launch sounding rockets.

Which of the following statement is/are correct ?

- A: Only one statement is correct
- B: Two statements are correct
- C: Three statements are correct
- D: All the statement are correct

95: Consider the following statements regarding the Dickinsonia:

1. It is considered to be Earth's oldest animal.
 2. They are found in Australia and Africa.
- 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

96: Consider the following statements regarding the River Cities Alliance:

1. It is a dedicated platform for global river cities to ideate, discuss and exchange information for sustainable management of urban rivers.
2. It includes cities from both Ganga basin and non-Ganga basin states.

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Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

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: Which of the following organisations released a report titled 'Global Assessment of Soil Carbon in Grasslands'?

- (a) United Nations Environment Program
- (b) Food and Agriculture Organisation
- (c) International Organisation for Biodiversity
- (d) Consultative group for International Agriculture Research

98: Which of the following organizations released a report titled 'Global Sea-Level Rise and Implications Facts and Figures'?

- (a) International Maritime Organisation
- (b) World Meteorological Organisation
- (c) Coral Reef Alliance
- (d) International Union for the Conservation of Nature

99: MISHTI scheme, announced in the Union Budget 2023-24, is related to

- (a) Convergence of all job guarantee scheme of state government, under MGNREGA
- (b) Mangrove plantations
- (c) Mainstreaming of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups
- (d) None

100: Which of the following factors could trigger Glacial lake outburst flood?

- 1. Rapid slope movement into the lake
- 2. Increased water inflow into a lake
- 3. Black carbon
- 4. Global warming

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