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—Dr· Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan

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questions comprises four responses (answer). You will select the response which you
want to mark on the answer sheet. In case you feel that there is more than one correct
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- **1.** The sea bordered by Jordan, Israel, and Palestine known for being the lowest point on Earth's surface is:
 - (a) Mediterranean Sea
 - (b) Red Sea
 - (c) Dead Sea
 - (d) Arabian Sea
- **2.** Consider the following statements about Feroz Shah Kotla:
 - 1. It is a 14th century monument built by Feroz Shah Tughlaq, ruler of the Tughlaq
 - 2. It introduced the concept of Diwan-e-Aam and Diwan-e-Khas for the first time in medieval India.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **3.** According to the What is the primary function of the diaphragm in a stethoscope?
 - (a) To amplify sounds
 - (b) To transmit low-frequency sounds
 - (c) To create pressure waves in the air
 - (d) To acquire an electrocardiogram of the heart
- **4.** Which of the following public schemes is dependent upon the Census data?
 - (a) National Education Policy
 - (b) National Food Security Act
 - Clean India Mission
 - (d) Make in India Initiative
- **5.** Jackson Hole Conference recently seen in news is related to
 - (a) Environmental Biodiversity and Conservation
 - (b) Arms manufacturing and trading
 - (c) Reviewing latest developments in financial technology
 - (d) Disucssing global monetary policies and economic issues
- **6.** Consider the following statements Vijayanagara Empire:
 - 1. It was established in 1336 by Harihara-l and Bukka Raya-l of Tuluva dynasty.

2. The empire fell after successive defeats in battles with the Bijapur Sultanate.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 7. The Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) often seen in news is located at the border of
 - (a) Israel and Egypt
 - (b) Russia and Finland
 - (c) North Korea and South Korea
 - (d) USA and Canada
- **8.** Consider the following statements about Hollangapar Gibbon Wildlife Sanctuary:
 - 1. The sanctuary is located in Arunachal Pradesh.
 - 2. It is home to endangered Hoolock Gibbon and wild elephants.
 - 3. It is the only place in India to have Hoolock Gibbon.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- **9.** Consider the following Rivers :
 - 1. Feni River
- 2. Gumti River
- Teesta River
- 4. Barak River

How many of the above rivers flow into Bangladesh through Tripura?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- **10.** BHISHM cubes are used to
 - (a) Make navigation satellites
 - (b) Develop cooling systems for supercomputers
 - (c) Provide emergency medical care
 - (d) Develop Light Combat Vehicles
- **11.** Consider the following statements about 'The SWAMITVA Scheme':
 - 1. Ministry of Panchayati Raj is responsible for implementing the SWAMITVA scheme
 - 2. The Ground-penetrating radar technology is used under the SWAMITVA scheme.
 - 3. The primary objective of the SWAMITVA scheme is to digitally map rural properties.

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4. It implementation is managed under States and Centre has no role under the scheme.

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only (d) 3 and 4 only
- 12. Lebanon shares its longest land border with which country?
 - (a) Israel
- (b) Cyprus
- (c) Jordan
- (d) Syria
- **13.** Which of the following statement about Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India is incorrect:
 - (a) Reports of the CAG are subject to scrutiny by Parliament and the Government can always offer its views on the reports.
 - (b) Reports of the CAG are required to be submitted to the President, who shall cause them to be laid before each House of Parliament.
 - (c) Reports of the CAG for states are submitted to the Governor, who shall cause them to be laid before the legislature of the state.
 - (d) When reports are received in Parliament, the reports are scrutinised by the Estimates Committee of the Parliament.
- **14. Assertion :** Moon's Crust was formed Layer by Laver.

Reason: AN Asteroid made a giant impact on the surface of moon 4.3 billion years ago.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) Both assertion and reason are correct and reason is correct explanation of Assertion.
- (b) Both assertion and reason are correct but reason is not correct explanation of Assertion.
- (c) Assertion is true Reason is false.
- (d) Reason is True, Assertion is false.
- **15.** Consider the following statements about 'e-Cigarettes':
 - 1. Lead
- 2. Propylene glycol
 - Vegetable glycerin 3.
 - 4. Vitamin E acetate

How many of the above is/are ingredients of e-cigarettes?

- (a) Only two
- (b) Only three
- (c) All four
- (d) None
- **16.** Consider the following statements about Shiveluch Volcano often seen in News:
 - 1. It is situated in Pacific Ring of Fire
 - 2. It was dormant since 1999 but erupted recently due to an Earthquake.
 - 3. The Volcano is located in northern part of Kuril Islands.

How many of the above given statements is/ are correct?

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

- **17.** The G20 was established in response to which global even t?
 - (a) World War Il
 - (b) The 2008 Global Financial Crisis
 - (c) The Great Depression
 - (d) The 1997 Asian Financial Crisis
- **18.** Consider the following statements about 'The Justice Verma Committee':
 - 1. Criminalization of marital rape
 - 2. Strengthening laws against stalking and voyeurism
 - 3. Death penalty of rape
 - 4. Creation of fast-track courts for sexual assault cases.

How many of the above is/are recommended by the committee?

- (a) Only two
- (b) Only three
- (c) All four
- (d) None
- **19.** Which ministry of the Government of India is responsible for implementing MGNREGA?
 - (a) Ministry of Finance
 - (b) Ministry of Rural Development
 - (c) Ministry of Labor and Employment
 - Social (d) Ministry of Justice and **Empowerment**
- **20.** Consider the following statements Unified Leding Interface (ULI)
 - 1. It is a tech platform for enabling frictionless credit in the country.
 - 2. It aims to bring efficiency in the lending process by reducing costs and facilitating quicker disbursement.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

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21. Consider the following pairs:

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|-----------------------------------|------------|
| New Ramsar Site | State |
| 1. Nanjarayan Bird Sanctuary | Tamil Nadu |
| 2. Kazhuveli Sanctuary | Kerala |

3. Tawa Reservoir

How many of the above pairs are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- **22.** Consider the following :
 - 1. Unsustainable development
 - 2. Pollution
 - 3. Invasive Species
 - 4. Climate Change

How many of the above are threats to wetlands?

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

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- **23.** Which of the following is not a focus area of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF)?
 - (a) Anti-money laundering
 - (b) Counter-terrorism financing
 - (c) Proliferation financing of weapons of mass destruction
 - (d) Cybersecurity regulations
- **24.** Consider the following statements about 'The Periodic Labour Force Survey':
 - 1. It assess the level of inflation in the economy.
 - 2. It covers both the urban and rural population.
 - 3. The survey is conducted quarterly.
 - 4. National Sample Survey Office responsible for conducting the Periodic Labour Force Survey in India.

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (d) 2, 3 and 4 only
- **25.** Consider the following agreements between India and USA:
 - Exchange 1. Logistics Memorandum Agreement (LEMOA)
 - 2. Communications, Compatibility and Security Agreement (COMCASA)
 - 3. Security of Supply Arrangement (SOSA)
 - 4. Industrial Security Agreement (ISA)

Which of the agreements above islare signed in 2024?

- (a) 1 and 4 Only (b) 4 only
- (d) 3 and 4 only (d) 3 and 4 only
- **26.** Consider the following statements about The UPI-PayNow':
 - 1. The UPI-PayNow linkage enables real-time, crossborder fund transfers between India and Singapore.
 - 2. It allows users to send money using mobile numbers or virtual payment addresses.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **27.** Consider the following statements about 'Agriculture Infrastructure Fund(AIF)':
 - 1. The AIF has a corpus of 100,000 crore.
 - 2. The corpus will be disbursed over a period of 5 years, from 2020 to 2025.
 - 3. Beneficiaries of the fund are eligible for interest subvention of up to 3% per annum on loans.

4. The AIF is accessible to a variety of stakeholders in the agricultural sector like agricultural start-ups.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only two
- (b) Only three
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- **28.** The Palianytsia recently seen in news is a :
 - (a) Short range tactical missile provided by NATO to Ukraine
 - (b) Long range missile-drone hybrid vehicle of Russia
 - (c) Short range tactical missile of Russia
 - (d) Long range missile-drone hybrid weapon of Ukraine
- **29.** Which of the following countries is NOT a participant in the International North-South Transport Corridor (INSTC)?
 - (a) India
- (b) Russia
- (c) Turkey
- (d) Iran
- **30.** Consider the following statements about 'The Narmada River:
 - 1. It primarily flow through Rajasthan, Maharashtra, and Gujarat.
 - 2. It originates from the Satpura Range.
 - 3. Tungabhadra dam is constructed on the river.

How many of the above is/are correct?

- (a) Only one (b) Only two
- (c) All three (d) None
- - **31.** Consider the following statements about Gaganyaan Mission:
 - 1. It will be India's first attempt at sending humans into space.
 - 2. The astronauts for the mission will be called vyommitra'.
 - 3. Before the main flight, ISRO has planned three uncrewed preparatory missions.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- **32.** Cosnider the following statements about 'Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP)
 - 1. It is a central sector scheme administered by the Minister of Labour and Employment.
 - 2. There is an income ceiling of 2 lakhs for assistance for setting up projects under PMEGP.

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

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

- 33. India and US signed two key pacts a nonbinding Security of Supply Arrangement (SOSA) and a Memorandum of Agreement regarding Assignment of Liaison Officers.
 - 1. The SOSA will mandate the US and India to provide reciprocal priority support for goods and services that promote national defence.
 - 2. The arrangement will enable both countries acquire the industrial resources they need from one another to resolve unanticipated supply chain disruptions to meet national security needs.
 - 3. India is the 18th SOSA partner of the US after Australia.

Choose the correct statements regarding it.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) All of the above
- **34.** Choose the correct statements regarding JS Verma Committee recommendations on Sexual Harassment at the Workplace Act.
 - 1. Justice J.S. Verma Committee recommended setting up of an employment tribunal instead of an internal complaints committee (ICC) in the Sexual Harassment at the Workplace Act.
 - 2. To ensure speedy disposal of complaints, the committee proposed that the tribunal should not function as a civil court but may choose its own procedure to deal with each complaint.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Both
- (d) None
- **35.** Choose the correct statements reagarding Banni Grasslands.
 - 1. It is located along the northern border of Kachchh district in the state of Gujarat.
 - 2. The Banni is also home to 22 ethnic groups, the majority of whom are pastoralists.
 - 3. It has been demarcated as a reserve forest. How many 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 only
- **36.** Consider the following statements about 'Prime Minister Wi-Fi Access Network Interface (PM-WANI) Scheme'?
 - 1. It aims to provide affordable, high-speed internet connectivity, particularly in rural and remote areas
 - 2. It is Initiated by the Ministry of Science and Technology

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

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) None

- **37.** Consider the following statements about 'Tanager-1 Satellite'
 - 1. The aim of the mission is to detect major carbon dioxide (CO2) and methane (CH4) emissions
 - 2. It is capable of monitoring emissions across 13,00,000 square kilometres daily

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both
- (d) None
- **38.** Lothal, a prominent city of the ancient Indus Valley Civilisation, is situated in which of the following states?
 - (a) Gujarat
- (b) Himachal Pradesh
- (c) Rajasthan
- (d) Punjab
- **39.** Consider the following statements about Mass Movements:
 - 1. Mass movements are aided by gravity and no geomorphic agent like running water, glaciers, wind, waves and currents participate in the process movements.
 - 2. Mass movements do not come under erosion.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1and 2 (d) Neither 1nor 2
- **40.** Consider the following statements about 'Similipal Tiger Reserve',
 - 1. It holds the highest tiger population in the state of Orissa.
 - 2. Waterfalls like Joranda and Barehipani are located inside this Tiger Reserve.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1nor 2
- **41.** Consider the following statements :
 - 1. The International Criminal Court (ICC), located in The Hague, is the court of last resort for prosecution of genocide, war crimes, and crimes against humanity.
 - 2. It is the first permanent, treaty based, international criminal court.
 - 3. Khe The ICC entered into force on July 1, 2012.

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

- (a) Only 1 and 2
- (b) Only 2 and 3
- (c) Only 1 and 3
- (d) All of the above

- **42.** Bhavishya Portal was often seen in news recently, it is associated with which of the following?
 - (a) An Al tool introduced by Ministry of Education to improve learning standards in Senior Secondary Level of Education in Public Schools.
 - (b) An Al tool introduced by Ministry of Finance to guide youngsters to invest in instruments with best and promising returns.
 - (c) An initiative of Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare to do away with unnecessary delays in disbursal of Pensions.
 - (d) A scheme by Ministry of Edussion to promote Al in public schools.
- **43.** Consider the following statements about Unified Pension Scheme :
 - 1. Under the Scheme, the Assured Minimuth Pension would amount to would amount 254 to 50% of the employee's average basic pay drawn over the last 12 months before A superannuation.
 - 2. Upon a retiree's death, their immediate family would be eligible for 60% of the pension last drawn by the retiree
 - 3. Dearness relief will be available on pensions under UPS and will be based on CPI (Combined)

How many of the above given statements is/are/correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All
- (d) None
- **44.** Identify the correct statements about Seym River:
 - 1. It originates in Russia and drains into Black Sea near Dneiper-Bug Estuary.
 - 2. It flows through two countries only.
 - 3. It is the tributary of Dnieper River longest river of Ukraine.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one statement is correct
- (b) Only two statements are correct
- (c) All three statements are correct
- (d) None of the above statements are correct
- **45.** A team "Rotten-Tail Kids" was often seen in news recently, it is associated with which of the following?
 - (a) Unemployed Yough in China surviving on Parent's pension and savings.
 - (b) Rare genetic disorder where in a child develops a prodtruding tail bone.
 - (c) Children infected with Zika Virus are sometimes referred to Rotten Tail Kids.
 - (d) Highly educated individual with rich family background who is unable to land up a job on his own is called as Rotten Tail kid.

- **46.** Consider the following statements about Unified Pension Scheme:
 - 1. It is a new scheme for central and state government employees.
 - 2. It is immune to the vagaries of the marker forces.
 - 3. It is an unfunded contributory Scheme. How many of the above given statements is/are correct?
 - (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All
- (d) None
- **47.** Consider the following statements about Blue Moon a phenomenon often seen in news:
 - 1. It is a rare phenomenon when the Moon appears Blue on account of Atmospheric Changes that give Moon its Blue-Green Hue.
 - 2. A blue Moon can never occur in February.
 - 3. Seasonal Blue Moon is the third Full Moon of an astronomical season when there is an occurrence of 4 Full Moons in a Season.

How many of the above given statements is/ are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only twe
- (c) All
- (d) None
- **48.** Consider the following statements about Kamchatka Peninsula :
 - 1. It is bounded by Sea of Okhotsk to the West, Bering Sea to the East and Pacific Ocean to the South.
 - 2. Kamchatka Peninsula is rich in rare earth metals but has near absence of coal.
- 3. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

How many of the above given statements is/ are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All
- (d) None
- **49.** 50:50 Scheme of Karnataka was often seen in news recently, it is associated with which of the following?
 - (a) Sponsorship of Education of Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Children under age 16 years.
 - (b) Public Private Partnership Model of Developing Infrastructure.
 - (c) Central Sector Scheme to develop Agricultural Land.
 - (d) Compensation for illegal Land Acquisition by Local Authority.
- **50.** Consider the following statements about Poliomyelitis:
 - 1. It is a viral disease that can spread through faecal and Oral Contact.
 - 2. There are three most common types of Wild Polio Virus out of which WPV1 has been eradicated and efforts are on to eradicate WPV2 and WPV3.

3. More than 90% of Vaccine derived Polio outbreaks are due to the Wild poliovirus type 2 (WPV2) present in Inactivated Polio Vaccine.

How many of the above given statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All
- (d) None
- **51.** The Virupaksha temple at Hampi is dedicated to
 - (a) Lord Ganesha (b) Lord Brahma
 - (c) Lord Shiva
- (d) Lord Vishnu
- **52.** Recently, the Hema committee report on the Malayalam film industry was released. Recently, the Hema committee report on the Malayalam film industry was released. It has revealed alarming instances of:
 - (a) sexual abuse
 - (b) gender discrimination
 - (c) inhuman treatment
 - (d) All of the above
- **53.** Consider the following statements about the Bharat Health Initiatives for Sahyog Hita and Maitri (BHISHM),
 - 1. The primary purpose of the BHISHM cubes under the BHISHM is to provide emergency medical care in disaster and conflict zones.
 - 2. The BHISHM cube initiative a part of the project Make 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
- **54.** Consider the following statements about 'Diamonds'
 - 1. Diamonds form in the Earth's mantle and are brought to the surface through yolcanic activity.
 - 2. Botswana is the largest producer of synthetic industrial diamonds

Select the INCORRECT statement(s)

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **55.** Consider the following statements about 'The POSHAN 2.0 Scheme':
 - 1. It primarily target adolescents aged 12-18 years.
 - 2. Ministry of Women and Child Development is responsible for implementing the scheme.

Which of the above is/are correct?

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

- **56.** Consider the following statements about the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC),
 - 1. The Commission is empowered to visit any jail or other government-controlled facility to see the prisoners' living conditions.
 - 2. The members of the NHRC can be removed by the Chief Justice of India on the grounds of judicial misconduct.

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.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Poland is a global leader in food processing.
 - 2. Poland and India are full time members of International Energy Agency (IEA).
 - 3. Under the Jam Saheb Memorial Youth Exchange Programme, 20 young people from Poland will visit India every year.

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

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 1 and 3 only
- **58.** With reference to the Pacific Islands Forum, which of the following statement(s) is/are correct?
 - 1. The forum aims to enhance cooperation among countries and territories of Oceania.
 - 2. India is one of the members of the Forum.
 - 3. The headquarter of the Forum is located in Fiji. Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **59.** Consider the following statements about the Financial Action Task Force (FATF),
 - 1. It is an inter-governmental body established to set standards and promote effective implementation of measures to combat money laundering.
 - 2. International tax evasion is one of the focus areas of the FATPs recommendations.
 - 3. Red List and Blue List are maintained by the FATF to identify countries with strategic deficiencies in their antimoney laundering and counter-terrorism financing regimes.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- **60.** Consider the following statements :
 - 1. Bhaskara-l was India's first satellite that was sent into the orbit.
 - 2. The Indian government has allowed 100% foreign direct investment (FDI) in the space sector.

India has signed the Artemis Accords to advance its space exploration ambitions through international cooperation.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- **61.** Consider the following statements :
 - 1. The primary function of the Lokayukta is to investigate allegations of corruption against public officials in the state.
 - 2. Karnataka was the first Indian state to establish the institution of Lokayukta.
 - 3. Lokayukta is a constitutional body in India.
 - 4. Governor appoints the Lokayukta in a

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- **62.** Which of the following organisation have released the report 'Future of Care economy'?
 - (a) World Economic Forum
 - (b) International Labour organization
 - (c) Reserve Bank of India
 - (d) World Bank
- **63.** The Modified Vaccinia Ankara-Bavarian Nordic (MVA-BN), also known as 'Jynneos' recently seen in news is:
 - (a) Inactivated vaccine
 - (b) Liv a attenuated vaccine
 - (c) Subunit vaccine
 - (d) mRNA vaccine
- **64.** Consider the following statements about 'The elections to Rajya Sabha:
 - The minimum age required to be a member of Rajya Sabha is 30 years.
 - One third of the members retire every 3 years.
 - Sabha does not have Raiva representation In the Union Territories of Lakshadeep.
 - 4. Special powers are vested in Rajya Sabha to create All India Service.

How many of the above islare correct?

- (a) Only two
- (b) Only three
- (c) All four
- (d) None
- **65.** Consider the following statements:
 - The New Shepard-25 (NS-25) mission was aimed to carry a crew of six individuals on a brief sub-orbital spaceflight.
 - The NS-25 mission was designed to be environmentally friendly as it used a hybrid fuel system.

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

- **66.** Consider the following statements :
 - Singapore has been a major source of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) for India.
 - Singapore is one of India's largest trade partners within Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).
 - India's Unified Payments Interface (UPI) is operational in Singapore.

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
- **67.** Which of the following countries are members of the Quad?
 - (a) United States, Canada, United Kingdom, and Australia
 - (b) United States, Japan, India, and Australia
 - (c) China, Russia, India, and Brazil
 - (d) United States, South Korea, Japan, and India
- **68.** Consider the following statements about the RHUMI1 rocket:
 - It is India's first reusable hybrid rocket.
 - The rocket is also environmentally friendly.
 - It carried the largest payload ever launched by India.

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
- **69.** Consider the following statements:
 - Tholpavakoothu is a classical music style from Karnataka.
 - Rajaraja Chola I is the Chola king who is credited with significant contributions to the development of temple murals.

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
- **70.** In the context of International Relations, 'Strategic Partnership' refers to:
 - (a) The formalization of trade agreements and tariff reductions between two countries to boost economic ties.
 - (b) A long-term partnership between two countries covering defence, O economics, technology, and diplomacy to achieve shared strategic goals.
 - (c) An agreement between two countries to support each otheru2019s political campaigns and electoral processes.
 - (d) A temporary alliance formed between countries to address specific short-term military conflicts or regional disputes

- **71.** Consider the following statements about the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS):
 - 1. It ensures that government employees receive a pension equal to 50% of their average basic pay from the last 12 months before retirement, as long as they have served for at least 25 years.
 - Variable pension contributions feature of the UPS ensures that pensions keep pace with inflation.
 - It is available to both government and private sector employees.
 - 4. In the event of an employee's death, the family will receive a pension amounting to 60% of the employee's pension.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- **72.** Which one of the following organizations is responsible for implementing the Vigyan Dhara Scheme?
 - (a) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
 - (b) Department of Science and Technology (DST)
 - (c) Ministry of Education
 - (d) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- **73.** Consider the following countries:
 - 1. Egypt
- 2. Chad
- 3. Algeria
- 4. Somalia

How many of the above countries share land border with Sudan? ANINST

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- **74.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. India has six classical languages.
 - 2. All the centres for classical languages function under the aegis of the Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL).
 - 3. Classical languages have a rich body of ancient literature considered as valuable heritage.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **75.** Consider the following statements about mass wasting,
 - 1. Mass wasting is primarily caused by tectonic activities.
 - 2. Erosion of the landmass is a form of mass

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 Agreements :
 - 1. Logistics Exchange Memorandum Agreement.
 - 2. Basic Excalnge and Cooperation Agreement
 - 3. Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement
 - 4. Memoradndum of Intent for Innovation Cooperation
 - 5. Cultural Property Agreement

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

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

77. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 provides for reservations of disables in government jobs and incentives in non-government jobs.

Statement-II: Article 16 of the Indian Constitution directs the state to make provisions for securing the right to work, education, and public assistance in cases of disablement.

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

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-Il are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- Both Statement-I and Statement-Il are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- Statement-I is correct but Statement-Il is incorrect
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 78. Hema Committee Report, seen in the news recently, is related to:
 - (a) Investigation into corruption in the central government
 - (b) Analysis of the environmental impact of industrialization
 - (c) Recommendations for improving the infrastructure of the public transportation system
 - (d) Exposure of sexual harassment and exploitation of women in the Malayalam film industry
- **79.** Consider the following statements about Goods and Service Tax (GST):
 - 1. At present, GST has four tax slabs.
 - Instead of GST, a compensation cess is levied on coal and petroleum products.
 - GST revenue collection has been rising consistently month-on-month in the past one year.

How many of the above statements are correct?

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

- **80.** Consider the following statements about PM Jan Dhan Yojana :
 - 1. It is the flagship financial inclusion programme of Government of India.
 - 2. There are no account opening charges and no minimum balance charges under PM Jan Dhan Yojana.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **81.** consider the following statements about the Bharat Health Initiatives for Sahyog Hita and Maitri (BHISHM),
 - 1. The primary purpose of the BHISHM cubes under the BHISHM is to provide emergency medical care in disaster and conflict zones.
 - 2. The BHISHM cube initiative a part of the project Make in India.
 - 3. Large warehouse for storing medical supplies is one of the components of BHISHM Cube.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- **82.** SIG716 recently seen in news is a
 - (a) Israeli drone used to strike targets in Gaza
 - (b) Ukrainian homegrown long-range missiledrone hybrid weapon
 - (c) US made modern assault rifle
 - (d) French hypersonic test missile
- **83.** Disinflation is associated with which one of the following policy actions by a central bank?
 - (a) Raising interest rates to reduce the money supply.
 - (b) Increasing government spending to boost demand.
 - (c) Lowering interest rates to encourage borrowing.
 - (d) Expanding the money supply through quantitative easing.
- **84.** Consider the following statements about the New India Literacy Programme (NILP):
 - 1. Literacy is defined as the ability to read, write, and compute with comprehension, including skills like digital and financial literacy.
 - 2. Under the NILP, individuals are considered literate if they pass the Foundational Literacy and Numeracy Assessment Test (FLNAT).
 - 3. Achieving "full literacy" is defined as reaching 100% literacy in a State or Union Territory.

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

- **85.** Consider the following statements about the Unified Lending Interface (ULI) tech platform:
 - 1. It aims to simplify and speed up the credit appraisal process by enabling a seamless flow of digital information.
 - 2. It is designed to cater to the large unmet demand for credit in the real estate and e-commerce sectors.
 - 3. It operates on a consent-based model.
 - 4. The platform has been developed by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).

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

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 1 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 4 only
- **86.** Consider the following statements about fixed-dose combination (FDC) drugs:
 - 1. Fixed dose combinations are medicines that have two or more active ingredients in a single pill, capsule or shot.
 - 2. The combination makes them highly effective as the ingredients work together to provide relief to the patient.

Which of the statements above islare correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **87.** Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Since the LPG (Liberalization, Privatization and Globalization) reforms in India, agricultural GDP has grown at a slower pace compared to the overall GDP.

Statement-II: Economic reforms in India encouraged a shift from cash crops of food grains after 1991.

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

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II and 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
- **88.** Consider the following statements about the SpaceX Crew Dragon:
 - 1. It has two main pairs Crew Capsule and Trunk Module.
 - 2. Its Crew Capsule is Re-Usable but its Trunk Module is expendable.

3. There are 16 Draco Thrusters attached with Crew Capsule of SpaceX Crew Dragon providing a total thrust of 90 Pounds.

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

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All
- (d) None
- **89.** Consider the following statements about Unified Lending Interface :
 - 1. It has been developed by National Payments Corporation of India.
 - 2. Combination of UPI, Unified Lending Interface and Unified Pension Scheme is being referred to as New Trinity that will drive India's Digital Infrastructure Forward.
 - 3. The main difference between UPI and ULI is that while UPI is for general Public, ULI is primarily for Financial Institutions and Credit entities.

How many of the above given statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All
- (d) None
- **90.** Consider the following statements about the Indian Legal System :
 - 1. Both the BNSS and the replaced Criminal Procedure Code, 1973 allow for the release of undertrial prisoners on baif if they have been detained for up to half of the maximum period of imprisonment for the alleged offense.
 - 2. Under BNSS the relaxation in Bail Conditions for first time offenders in BNSS will be released if they have been detained for one-third of the maximum period of imprisonment for alleged offense.
 - 3. As per the provision of BNSS the relaxation in Bail Conditions for first time offenders in BNSS will be available for only those undertrials who have been detained after the BNSS came into force.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All
- (d) None
- **91.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Gir Forest in Gujarat is currently the only natural habitat for Asiatic lions in India.
 - 2. Kuno National Park is situated near the Satpura Range in Central India.

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

- **92.** Which one of the following organizations established the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS)?
 - (a) Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA)
 - (b) International Olympic Committee (IOC)
 - (c) World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)
 - (d) United Nations (UN)
- **93.** Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: India has a lower Female Labor Force Participation Rate (FLFPR) compared to the global average.

Statement-II: In India, women mostly have burden of care responsibilities within their families.

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

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-Il are correct and Statement-Il 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
- **94.** Which of the following statement(s) is/are correct?
- 1. India's farm sector employment is low compared to other fast-growing G-20 emerging markets.
 - 2. India needs to create more jobs in service and manufacturing sectors to increase the productivity in the agricultural sector.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **95.** Consider the following statements about Anubhav Awards
 - 1. It recognizes the contribution made by retired officials to nation building while working in Government.
 - 2. Anubhav Portal was launched by the Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare (Doppw).
 - 3. Each awardee will be given a cash award, a medal and a certificate.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

- **96.** Consider the following statements about International Buddhist Confederation (IBC):
 - It is a Buddhist umbrella body with its base in New Delhi that serves as a common platform for Buddhists worldwide.
 - 2. Asian Buddhist Summit is an initiative of it.
 - 3. Buddhaghosa introduced Tantric Buddhism to Tibet.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None of the above
- **97.** Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, sometimes seen in the news recently, is situated in?
 - (a) India
- (b) Poland
- (c) North Korea
- (d) Afghanistan
- **98.** Consider the following statements about Rail Force One
 - It aims to integrate stations with nearby cities and improve station structures to make stations more accessible to people with disabilities.
 - 2. It aims to provide insurance to all rail passengers in India.

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

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

- **99.** Consider the following statements about Van Allen Belts:
 - It is a two belts radiation formed by the high energy radiation particles trapped by the earth's magnetosphere.
 - The inner belt is made up of high-energy particles that originate from the Sun and the outer belt results from interactions of cosmic rays with Earth's atmosphere.
 - The 'Artemis I mission' was a significant initiative of NASA to understand the impacts to life beyond the Van Allen Belts.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

- **100.** MARXAN, sometimes seen in the news recently, is associated with?
 - (a) A marine monitoring and surveillance robot developed by the National Institute of Oceanography (NIO).
 - (b) First mission by a private space agency to probe the far side of the moon.
 - (c) Platform designed to map and inform conservation decisions around the world.
 - (d) A new cryptocurrency backed by China to support steel trade.





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