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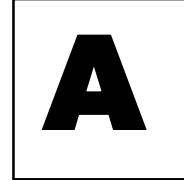


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Paper I

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1. Consider the following:

1. Social forestry and farm forestry
2. Slum improvement
3. Public distribution system
4. Registration of births and deaths

How many of the above subjects are listed in the eleventh schedule of the Indian Constitution?

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

2. Consider the following types of clouds:

1. Altocumulus
2. Cirrostratus
3. Nimbostratus
4. Altostratus

How many of the above are primarily classified as 'High Clouds' (above 6,000 metres)?

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

3. A technique in artificial intelligence involves predicting the most probable next word in a sequence based on the given context.

Which of the following best describes this technique?

- (a) Natural Language Processing
- (b) Deep Learning
- (c) Language Modeling
- (d) Machine Learning

4. In the context of Indian economy, which of the following best defines Market Stabilization Scheme (MSS)?

- (a) It is a tool devised by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to manage liquidity.
- (b) It is a price support instrument for the procurement of perishable and horticultural goods.
- (c) It is a subsidy scheme limited to crude oil and refined petroleum products in the case of supply-driven inflation.
- (d) It is a tool used by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) to regulate the stock market.

5. Consider the following geological regions:

1. Himalayas
2. Mid-Atlantic Ridge
3. Andes Mountains
4. San Andreas Fault

How many of the above are primarily associated with convergent plate boundaries?

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

6. Consider the following lakes in India:

1. Pachpadra Lake
2. Tso Kar
3. Kailvelil Lake

How many of the above lakes are freshwater lakes?

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

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7. Consider the following statements regarding National Council of Vocational Education and Training (NCVET):

1. It was established as a statutory body under the National Education Policy 2020 as the overarching regulator of skill development in India.
2. It functions under the aegis of Ministry of Education.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

8. With reference to the circular flow of income, consider the following:

1. Flow of goods and services
2. Payment of rent for land
3. Flow of wages for labour

How many of the above are considered as real flow?

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

9. The McMohan line and MacDonalld line are sometimes seen in news. They are:

- (a) lines beyond which biodiversity decrease drastically in the northern and southern hemispheres respectively
- (b) lines demarcating goldilocks zone of our solar system
- (c) lines demarcating boundaries between India and China
- (d) lines demarcating boundaries between India and Pakistan

10. Consider the following statements regarding near money:

1. It refers to non-cash assets that can be easily converted to cash.
2. The certificates of deposit (CDs) are an example of near money.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

11. Who among the following make and subscribe oath 'to preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of India'?

1. Chief Justice of India
2. President
3. Governor
4. Prime Minister

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

12. In the context of representative democracy, which of the following is a characteristic of consociationalism?

- (a) Assimilation of minority groups
- (b) Hierarchical power structure
- (c) Segregation of communities
- (d) Power-sharing among different groups

13. With reference to gas hydrates, consider the following statements:

1. They are crystalline solids composed of water and gas, containing large amounts of methane.

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2. They are found only in marine sediments beneath the sea floor.

3. In India, significant deposits are found around the Andaman Islands and in the Krishna-Godavari offshore region.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

14. The RECLAIM framework, sometimes seen in the context of sustainable and circular resource use in India, is an initiative of which of the following ministries?

- (a) Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change
- (b) Ministry of Power
- (c) Ministry of Coal
- (d) Ministry of Tribal Affairs

15. The Striped Tiger butterfly has been declared as the state butterfly of which of the following States/Union Territories?

- (a) Maharashtra
- (b) Uttarakhand
- (c) Chandigarh
- (d) Ladakh

16. Which of the following is/are included in World Heritage List of UNESCO?

- 1. Majuli island, Assam
- 2. Golden temple at Amritsar, Punjab
- 3. Archaeological site of Nalanda Mahavira at Nalanda, Bihar

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

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

17. In the context of Constitutional history of India, G.V.K Rao, L.M.Singhiv and Ashok Mehata Committee were related to

- (a) Panchayati Raj Institution administrations
- (b) Reviewed Centre-State relations
- (c) Reorganization of Indian states
- (d) Development of modern Indian education roadmap

18. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Though the Constitution of India recognizes religious minorities, it does not define the term 'minority'.
- 2. Article 15 enabled the State to provide reservations for the advancement of backward classes in all aided or unaided educational institutes, including minority educational institutes.
- 3. The National Commission for Minority Educational Institutes (NCMEI) has the power to cancel the minority status of an educational institution.
- 4. No court except the Supreme Court can entertain any suit in respect of any order made by the NCMEI.

How many statements given above are correct?

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

19. Who among the following leaders played a significant role in defending the accused revolutionaries in the Kakori Conspiracy Case?

- (a) Motilal Nehru
- (b) Govind Ballabh Pant
- (c) Tej Bahadur Sapru

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(d) Madan Mohan Malaviya

20. He is renowned for his only surviving epic poem (Mahakavya), Kirātārjunīya ("Arjuna and the Mountain Man"). It is not a play, but a 18-canto epic based on the Mahābhārata, focusing on Arjuna's fight with Lord Siva (disguised as a Kirata) to obtain the Pasupatastra weapon.

Which of the following author is referred in the above?

- (a) Bhasa
- (b) Vishakhadatta
- (c) Bharavi
- (d) Kalidasa

21. Recently seen in the news, Alhajuela and Gatun lakes are often associated with which of the following water bodies?

- (a) South China Sea
- (b) Strait of Hormuz
- (c) Panama Canal
- (d) Black Sea

22. With reference to solar photovoltaic (PV) modules and their efficiency standards, consider the following statements:

1. Solar PV module efficiency refers to the ability of a panel to convert total incident solar radiation into usable electrical energy under standard test conditions.
2. Higher efficiency solar panels necessarily require a larger surface area for the same power output compared to lower efficiency panels.
3. The Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) is responsible for mandating minimum efficiency standards for solar PV modules.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only

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

23. With reference to the difference between the culture of the Chalcolithic period and the Indus Valley civilization, consider the following statements:

1. The Indus Valley Civilization used burnt bricks extensively, whereas Chalcolithic cultures largely did not use them.
2. Though the Indus Valley civilization showed much evidence of social inequalities, it was absent in the Chalcolithic period.
3. While the Indus Valley Civilization was an urban civilization, the Chalcolithic culture had an essentially rural background.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

24. Consider the following pairs:

	Lake	Country
1.	Lake Tanganyika	Nigeria
2.	Lake Titicaca	Uruguay
3.	Lake Balkhash	Iran

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

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) None

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25. Consider the following statements with reference to the judge of the Subordinate Courts:

1. She or he is appointed by the governor of the state in consultation with the high court, through a collegium system.
2. She or he possess original and appellate jurisdiction in both civil as well as criminal matters.

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

26. Consider the following statements regarding Buddhist Sanghas:

1. Membership of the Sangha was open to people from different social backgrounds, including lower castes.
2. The Buddha allowed women to join the Sangha from the beginning.

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. Which of the following statements best describes the Capital Conservation Buffer?

- (a) It is the additional capital which corporates must set aside to repay the debt amount.
- (b) it is the additional funds which the government keeps to face the fiscal crisis situation.
- (c) It is the additional capital which banks are required to hold to withstand periods of stress.
- (d) It is the reserve funds maintained by the RBI to maintain exchange rate stability in case of a flight of capital from domestic markets.

28. In the context of medieval Indian history, the term "Ghati-yantra" refers to:

- (a) A underground channel system
- (b) An instrument used for irrigation by lifting water
- (c) A siege engine used in warfare
- (d) A navigational instrument used in maritime trade

29. Consider the following statements with reference to the Charvaka school philosophy:

1. Brihaspati is supposed to be the founder of this school.
2. It recognizes no existence other than this material world.
3. The whole universe according to them is consist of five elements.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

30. With regard to the Charter Act of 1853, consider the following statements:

1. The Governor- General of Bengal was made the Governor-General of India.
2. It abolished East India Company's monopoly of Indian trade.

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

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31. The famous sculpture known as the “Priest-King”, discovered from Mohenjodaro, is made of

- (a) terracotta
- (b) limestone
- (c) steatite
- (d) Bronze

32. With reference to shigellosis, consider the following statements:

1. It is a viral infection that primarily affects the intestines.
2. It spreads mainly through contaminated food and water due to poor sanitation.

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

33. With reference to the One Health approach, consider the following statements:

1. It recognises the interconnection between human, animal, and environmental health.
2. It is primarily concerned with controlling zoonotic diseases.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

34. The 'Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific 2024' was released by;

- (a) Asian Development Bank
- (b) World Bank
- (c) Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation

(d) UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

35. Consider the following statements regarding India's GDP on purchasing power parity (PPP):

1. India is the second-largest economy by purchasing power.
2. India's GDP in terms of PPP is much higher than its nominal GDP.

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

36. Knickpoints are most closely associated with which of the following processes?

- (a) Deposition of sediments across extensive river floodplains
- (b) Adjustment of a river profile in response to a new base level
- (c) Formation of sand dunes under the influence of wind action
- (d) Erosion of coastal landforms due to continuous wave action

37. Consider the following statements with respect to Inverted Duty Structure:

1. Under this, the import duty on finished goods is kept high, while import duty on intermediate goods is kept low.
2. It adversely affects the domestic manufacturing industries.

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. With respect to the Right to Information Act of 2005, consider the following statements:

1. It covers all governmental and nongovernmental organisations.
2. It confers the right to access information on all residents of India.
3. For people below the poverty line, there is no charge for seeking information.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

39. Consider the following countries:

1. Somalia
2. Kenya
3. Ethiopia
4. Tanzania

How many of the above countries have a coastline on the Indian Ocean?

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

40. Consider the following statements with reference to the procedure related to voting on demands for grant in the Parliament:

1. The voting is the exclusive privilege of the Lok Sabha.
2. The expenditure charged upon the Consolidated Fund of India is neither subject to voting nor can be discussed.

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

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

41. Recently, the Global Investment Trends Monitor Report has been released by which of the following bodies?

- (a) World Economic Forum (WEF)
- (b) The World Bank (WB)
- (c) The International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- (d) United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

42. With reference to the National Investigation Agency (NIA), consider the following statements:

1. It is a statutory body that comes under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
2. State governments have the authority to refer cases to the NIA for investigation.
3. The NIA can investigate scheduled offenses committed outside India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

43. India has recently signed the 'Security of Supply Arrangement' with:

- (a) USA
- (b) Venezuela
- (c) Iran
- (d) Russia



44. Which one of the following elements is commonly used in atomic clocks?

- (a) Strontium and Ytterbium
- (b) Cesium and Rubidium
- (c) Carbon and Silicon
- (d) Iron and Nickel

45. Which of the following best explains why 'Universal Donors' have blood group O negative?

- (a) Their red blood cells lack A and B antigens and the Rh factor.
- (b) Their plasma lacks anti-A and anti-B antibodies.
- (c) Their red blood cells have all A, B, and Rh antigens.
- (d) Their blood contains a universal protein that prevents clotting.

46. Consider the following statements National Green Tribunal (NGT):

- 1. As per the NGT Act, 2010 the decision of the NGT can be challenged directly before the Supreme Court.
- 2. The Tribunal has powers to review its own decisions.
- 3. Aggrieved parties do not require lawyers to approach the National Green Tribunal.

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

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

47. Consider the following statements:

Statement I: The thermocline layer is generally absent or poorly developed in the polar oceans throughout the year.

Statement II: In polar regions, surface water temperatures are consistently low and nearly identical to the deep-sea temperatures.

Statement III: High wind-induced mixing in polar oceans prevents the formation of a stable temperature gradient.

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

- (a) Both Statement II and Statement III are correct and both of them explain Statement I
- (b) Both Statement II and Statement III are correct but only one of them explains Statement I
- (c) Only one of the Statements II and III is correct and that explains Statement I
- (d) Neither Statement II nor Statement III is correct

48. With reference to Inter-State Water Disputes Act 1956, consider the following statements:

- 1. The Act defines 'water disputes' between two or more states.
- 2. The Act provides for a permanent tribunal to oversee the water disputes and such other regional tribunals as may be required by states.
- 3. Neither the Supreme Court nor any other court is to have jurisdiction in respect of any water dispute which may be referred to such a tribunal.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

49. Consider the following rivers:

- 1. Mahi
- 2. Sabarmati
- 3. Son

How many of the above rivers flow through more than one Indian State?

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



(d) None

50. Which among the following provisions is included under the Representation of the People Act, 1950?

- (a) Notification for general election to the House of the People by the President of India.
- (b) Disqualification of member of Parliament on conviction for certain offences.
- (c) Every eligible citizen above 18 years is given the opportunity to be enrolled without discrimination.
- (d) Declaration of donation received by the political parties

51. Ayni Airbase, recently seen in the news, is located in which of the following countries?

- (a) Tajikistan
- (b) Uzbekistan
- (c) Kazakhstan
- (d) Kyrgyzstan

52. Consider the following statements regarding the Indo-Pacific Ocean Initiative (IPOI):

1. It is a non-treaty-based voluntary arrangement that promotes cooperation for a free and open Indo-Pacific and the rules-based regional order.
2. It was launched by India in 2019 at the East Asia Summit (EAS) in Bangkok.

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:

Statement I: Temperate cyclones (midlatitude cyclones) are generally more destructive than tropical cyclones.

Statement II: Temperate cyclones cover a much larger area and persist for a longer duration than tropical cyclones.

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

- (a) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct and Statement II explains Statement I
- (b) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct but Statement II does not explain Statement I
- (c) Statement I is correct but Statement II is not correct
- (d) Statement I is not correct but Statement II is correct

54. Consider the following statements:

Statement I: An ecological pyramid of energy is never inverted.

Statement II: Energy flow in an ecosystem is unidirectional with loss at each trophic level.

Statement III: Consumers convert all consumed energy into biomass efficiently.

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

- (a) Both Statement II and Statement III are correct and both of them explain Statement I
- (b) Both Statement II and Statement III are correct but only one of them explains Statement I
- (c) Only one of the Statements II and Statement III is correct and that explains Statement I
- (d) Neither Statement II nor Statement III is correct

55. Consider the following statements regarding the parliamentary committee on Public Accounts:

1. The Chairman of the Committee is from the Opposition party.
2. It scrutinizes public expenditure from the point of view of wisdom and propriety to bring out cases of waste.



3. It also examines the excess money spent on any service during a financial year, that was granted by the Lok Sabha.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

56. What is HALEU (High-Assay Low-Enriched Uranium) in the context of nuclear energy?

- (a) Uranium enriched above 20% U-235 is used primarily in nuclear weapons
- (b) Uranium enriched between 5% and 20% U-235 is used as fuel in advanced nuclear reactors
- (c) A naturally occurring form of uranium used without enrichment in reactors
- (d) A radioactive by-product generated during nuclear fission

57. HAMMER, SCALP, and Meteor, recently seen in the news, are best classified as:

- (a) Specialized drone systems for high altitude surveillance
- (b) Advanced missile and precision-guided munition systems
- (c) Stealth submarines developed for deep sea reconnaissance
- (d) Cyber-warfare protocols used for protecting satellite communications

58. Often seen in the news, Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC) is owned by which of the following?

- (a) The Reserve Bank of India
- (b) Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)
- (c) Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC)

(d) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)

59. Consider the following passage:

It is widely known as the “Grand Canyon of Bengal”. It is situated by the town of Garhbeta of Paschim Medinipur district in West Bengal. It comprises of natural hills around the River Shilabati, locally known as “Shilai River”. The rains and seasonal variations, over time, have resulted in the formation of spectacular geological structures here.

Which of the following canyons is being described in the passage given above?

- (a) Gandikota canyon
- (b) Gangani Canyon
- (c) Laitlum Canyon
- (d) Raneh Falls Canyon

60. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The recently launched National Monetization Plan 2.0 aligns with infrastructure development plans of Viksit Bharat initiative

Statement-II: The NMP 2.0 estimates aggregate monetization potential for the period 2030-2047

Which one of the following is correct with respect to the above statements?

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

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61. 'Investors that provide to startup companies and small businesses that are believed to have long-term growth potential. It generally comes from well-off investors, investment banks and any other financial institutions. However, it does not always take just a monetary form; it can be provided in the form of technical or managerial expertise.'

Which of the following types of investments has been described by the passage given above?

- (a) Angel Investment
- (b) Venture Capital
- (c) Personal Investment
- (d) Peer to Peer Lending

62. Which among the following Articles of the Constitution of India lays down that fundamental rights of the armed forces can be restricted or abrogated by the Parliament?

- (a) Article 19
- (b) Article 31
- (c) Article 32
- (d) Article 33

63. Why does a sea breeze develop during the day?

- (a) Latent heat release over oceans raises air temperature, driving winds toward cooler land
- (b) Winds are deflected by Earth's rotation near coastal areas
- (c) Land heats up faster than the sea, creating a pressure difference
- (d) Evaporation over the sea increases air pressure

64. Temperature inversion is frequently observed in certain regions. Which of the following statements best reflect(s) its implications?

- 1. It leads to increased convection and instability in the lower atmosphere.

- 2. It enhances vertical mixing of air masses, improving air quality.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

65. Consider the following statements:

- 1. All mangrove species are salt-tolerant plants.
- 2. All coral reefs are found only in shallow tropical waters.
- 3. All trees in Boreal forests are deciduous.

How many of the above statements are correct?

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

66. With reference to the features of Provisions Of The Panchayats (Extension To The Scheduled Areas) Act, consider the following statements:

- 1. It mandates the State Legislature to empower Gram Sabha to exercise control over money lending transactions.
- 2. It empowers Gram Sabha to resolve fake caste certificate disputes of individuals in its jurisdiction.
- 3. It empowers the Gram Sabha to supervise the functioning of NGOs working in such scheduled areas.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

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67. In the context of finance, the term 'Total Expense Ratio' refers to

- the amount of capital required to produce one unit of output.
- the loss of potential gain by selecting one share of a company over another.
- the total costs associated with managing and operating a mutual fund.
- the ratio of a bank's capital in relation to its risk weighted assets and current liabilities.

68. Consider the following statements regarding surcharge and cess:

- Proceeds collected from both cess and surcharge will be deposited in the Consolidated Fund of India.
- State governments in India cannot impose any cess.
- Proceeds of the surcharge are kept as a separate fund after being collected into the Consolidated Fund of India.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- Only one
- Only two
- All three
- None

69. Consider the following pairs:

	Hot Location	Spring	State
1.	Manikaran		Uttarakhand
2.	Yumthang		Sikkim
3.	Panamik		Arunachal Pradesh

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

- Only one
- Only two
- All three

(d) None

70. With reference to catalytic converters used in automobiles, consider the following statements:

- They convert harmful gases such as carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides into less harmful substances.
- They function by increasing the temperature of exhaust gases to burn pollutants completely.
- They commonly use noble metals such as platinum, palladium, and rhodium as catalysts.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- 1 and 3 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 2 only
- 1, 2 and 3

71. Which of the following straits are regulated by the Montreux Convention of 1936?

- Bab-el-Mandeb and Palk Strait
- Bosporus and Dardanelles
- Malacca and Sunda Strait
- Hormuz and Cook Strait

72. Match the following veto types with their characteristics:

Type of Veto	Feature
A. Absolute Veto	1. Bill fails as President withholds assent outright
B. Suspensive Veto	2. Bill can be returned once, and Parliament can override by simple majority
C. Pocket Veto	3. Bill is neither assented nor returned for an indefinite period
D. No Veto on Money Bill	4. President must either assent or withhold, cannot return it

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Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

73. With reference to the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (BCBS) and Basel norms, consider the following statements:

Statement I: The Basel norms aim to enhance the resilience of the banking sector by improving capital adequacy, risk management, and liquidity standards.

Statement II: Basel II primarily introduced liquidity coverage ratios and countercyclical capital buyers to manage systemic banking risks.

Statement III: Basel III sought to address the shortcomings revealed during the global financial crisis by strengthening capital requirements and introducing leverage ratios.

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

- (a) Both Statement II and Statement III are correct and both of them explain Statement I
- (b) Both Statement II and Statement III are correct, but only one of them explains Statement I
- (c) Only one of the Statements II and III is correct and that explains Statement I
- (d) Neither Statement II nor Statement III is correct

74. With reference to GDP calculation, consider the following:

1. Military establishment of the country abroad
2. Ships owned by residents but moving between UK and USA regularly
3. Embassies of foreign governments

How many of the above are the components of domestic territory?

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

75. Project Himank of the Border Roads Organisation (BRO) has constructed the world's highest motorable road at Mig La Pass. In which state/UT does this pass lie?

- (a) Arunachal Pradesh
- (b) Sikkim
- (c) Ladakh
- (d) Jammu and Kashmir

76. Indian Constitution employs the expression 'Proclamation of Emergency' to denote:

- (a) National Emergency only
- (b) President's Rule only
- (c) Financial Emergency only
- (d) National Emergency and President's Rule

77. The practice of rotating senior officers of All India Services, in and out of the Secretariat position is known as:

- (a) Tenure system
- (b) Cadre system
- (c) Probation system
- (d) Spoils System

78. In the context of Modern India, consider the following pairs:

	Newspaper	Founder/Editor
1.	Bengalee	Devendranath Tagore
2.	Indian Mirror	Bal Gangadhar Tilak
3.	Udbodhan	Abul Kalam Azad

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one

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

79. The “World Water Development Report”, often seen in the news, is published by:

- (a) United Nations
- (b) World Water Organisation
- (c) World Bank
- (d) Food and Agriculture Organisation

80. Consider the following statements with respect to Lok Sabha seat allocation to States/UTs:

1. The state of Maharashtra has the largest number of Lok Sabha seats.
2. Each Union Territory has been allocated only one Lok Sabha seat.

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

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

81. Consider the following statements:

Statement I: Central banks in countries like China and India have been buying massive amounts of gold.

Statement II: Gold is a primary hedge against currency fluctuations, geopolitical risks and inflation.

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

- (a) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct and Statement II explains Statement I
- (b) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct but Statement II does not explain Statement I

(c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect

(d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct

82. Consider the following statements regarding the Mahad Satyagraha:

1. The Mahad Satyagraha was organised under the leadership of Dr B. R. Ambedkar.
2. It was a violent protest aimed at securing the right of untouchables to access public drinking water.
3. The movement was opposed by orthodox sections opposing social reforms.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

83. “Freedom is not worth having if it does not include the freedom to make mistakes” was a statement associated with which of the following?

- (a) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- (b) Jawaharlal Nehru
- (c) Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi
- (d) Rash Behari Bose

84. Who among the following is empowered to establish the GST Council under article 279A of the Constitution of India?

- (a) President of India
- (b) Speaker of Lok Sabha
- (c) Prime Minister of India
- (d) Union Finance Minister



85. Which of the following rivers does not drain into the Arabian Sea?

- (a) Zuari
- (b) Sharavati
- (c) Vaigai
- (d) Bharathappuzha

86. In 'Natural Farming', the component 'Whapasa' refers to:

- (a) The application of cow urine to repel pests
- (b) The condition where both air molecules and water molecules are present in the soil.
- (c) The process of mulching using dried leaves.
- (d) A ritual performed before the sowing of the first crop.

87. With reference to decennial census, consider the following statements:

1. The first synchronous census in India occurred in 1881.
2. Population census is in the union list of the seventh Schedule.
3. The Census Act of 1948 mandates a census every 10 years without fail.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

88. Recently, the Ministry of Culture launched a nationwide survey to map India's Gilgit Manuscripts. This manuscript is related to which religion?

- (a) Islam
- (b) Jainism
- (c) Buddhism
- (d) Hindu

89. Which of the following statements best describes the term 'unemployment trap'?

- (a) It is a situation deliberately brought by the government to reduce unemployment and increase demand by going for higher economic growth.
- (b) It is a phenomenon wherein more people are employed than actually needed.
- (c) It is a situation where the opportunity cost of going to work is higher than remaining unemployed.
- (d) The situation where the majority of workers are employed in the low paying unorganized sector.

90. What is one advantage of the flexibility inherent in a parliamentary system?

- (a) Greater stability and predictability in governance
- (b) More efficient decision-making and policy implementation
- (c) Reduced influence of political parties in the legislative process
- (d) Stronger checks and balances between branches of government

91. With reference to mobile phone radiation, consider the following statements:

1. Mobile phones emit non-ionizing radiation, which does not have enough energy to ionize atoms.
2. The Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) is used to measure the rate at which the human body absorbs radiation from a mobile phone.
3. In India, the Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) limits for mobile phones are prescribed by the Telecom Regulatory Authority of 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

92. KAVACH system, which was recently in the news, is a:

- (a) It is a satellite-based navigation system developed for civil aviation in India.
- (b) It is an indigenous Automatic Train Protection system designed to prevent train collisions.
- (c) It is a high-speed rail technology used exclusively in bullet trains.
- (d) It is a defence system for drone attacks.

93. Which of the following best describes the term "Carbon Leakage"?

- (a) The process of capturing and storing carbon dioxide emissions underground.
- (b) The transfer of carbon emissions from countries with strict climate policies to those with weaker regulations.
- (c) The release of methane from melting permafrost due to rising temperatures.
- (d) The absorption of atmospheric carbon dioxide by oceans and forests.

94. With reference to human physiology, what is/are the difference/differences between White Fat and Brown Fat?

- 1. White fat primarily generates heat, whereas brown fat primarily stores energy.
- 2. White fat contains more mitochondria compared to brown fat.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

95. With reference to India's recently proposed 2035 climate targets, consider the following statements:

- 1. To reduce emissions intensity by about 47% from 2005 levels by 2035.
- 2. To achieve 60% of electric power capacity from non-fossil-based sources by 2035.
- 3. To reduce absolute greenhouse gas emissions by 2035.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

96. Which of the following best describes the Nalgonda Technique?

- (a) It is a method used for desalination of seawater through reverse osmosis.
- (b) It is a technique for the removal of excess fluoride from drinking water.
- (c) It is a process used to remove heavy metals from industrial wastewater using membrane filtration.
- (d) It is a biological method of wastewater treatment using microbial digestion.

97. What is the primary driving force behind isostatic adjustments in the Earth's crust?

- (a) Tectonic plate movements
- (b) Volcanic eruptions
- (c) Buoyancy and gravitational forces
- (d) Earth's magnetic field

98. The term 'Peace Clause' is related to the proceedings of

- (a) WTO
- (b) UNFCCC
- (c) UNSC

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(d) SCO

99. Consider the following statements:

1. Light waves are longitudinal waves.
2. Photon energy of visible light is lesser than the infrared radiation.
3. Sun appears red during sunset and sunrise due to scattering of light.
4. The shorter the wavelength of the light, the more it is refracted.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

100. Which of the following is correct regarding PENCiL Portal?

- (a) It is a monitoring and evaluation portal under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan.
- (b) It is a tracking system for transparent allocation of coal blocs.
- (c) It helps citizens in grievance redressal under the Environment Protection Scheme.
- (d) It is a platform to combat child labour in India.