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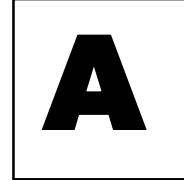


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1. Consider the following statements:

- I. The Parliament in India functions within the bounds of a written Constitution.
- II. The authority and jurisdiction of Parliament are limited by the justiciable nature of Fundamental Rights.
- III. All laws passed by Parliament are subject to judicial review.

Which one of the following inferences can be drawn from the above statements?

- (a) The Parliament in India has the right to publish its proceedings.
- (b) The Parliament in India is not a sovereign body.
- (c) The Parliament in India cannot amend the basic structure of the Constitution of India.
- (d) The Parliament in India functions within a system of separation of powers.

2. Which one of the following is the correct sequence of the process of making the Constitution of India?

- (a) Adoption of the Objectives Resolution → Public circulation of the Draft Constitution → Submission of reports by Committees → Presentation of the Draft Constitution
- (b) Submission of reports by Committees → Adoption of the Objectives Resolution → Public circulation of the Draft Constitution → Presentation of the Draft Constitution
- (c) Adoption of the Objectives Resolution → Submission of reports by Committees → Public circulation of the Draft Constitution → Presentation of the Draft Constitution
- (d) Public circulation of the Draft Constitution → Adoption of the Objectives Resolution → Submission of reports by Committees → Presentation of the Draft Constitution

3. What does 'Equality Before Law' mean?

- (a) None shall be above law
- (b) Fair application of law
- (c) Equals should be treated alike
- (d) Following due process of law

4. The following table shows the first-preference vote values secured by candidates contesting the Presidential election in India:

Candidate	Value of First-Preference Votes
A	90
B	80
C	30

Total value of valid votes = 200

In the above context, which of the following statements are correct?

- I. The quota required to be declared elected is 101.
- II. Candidate C will be excluded after the first round of counting.
- III. If all the second-preference votes of Candidate C are transferred to Candidate A, Candidate A will be declared elected.
- IV. Candidate B can be declared elected in the first round of counting.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) I and II only
- (b) I, II and III only
- (c) I, III and IV only
- (d) I, II, III and IV

5. The full version of the National Anthem of India is generally played on which of the following occasions?

- I. On arrival of the President at formal State functions
- II. After the Prime Minister addresses the Nation over All India Radio
- III. When the National Flag is brought on parade
- IV. For hoisting of colours in the Navy

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) I, III and IV only
- (b) I and II only
- (c) II, III and IV only
- (d) I, II, III and IV

6. If the Prime Minister of India belongs to the Upper House of Parliament, then:

- (a) S/he is responsible to the Upper House only.
- (b) S/he can vote in the Lower House in case of a Money Bill.
- (c) S/he cannot participate in the proceedings of the Lower House.
- (d) S/he cannot vote in her/his favour in the event of a No-confidence Motion.

7. With regard to the Local Self Government in India, consider the following statements:

- I. The Constitution of India provides a separate list for functional responsibilities and revenue handles that should be assigned to panchayats and municipalities.
- II. The Constitution of India mandates the Union Finance Commission to suggest measures to augment State finances for local governments.
- III. The State Finance Commission allocates unconditional basic grants and conditional performance grants to the Panchayats and Municipalities.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

8. In India, if the number of candidates contesting an election equals the number of seats, then:

- (a) a poll is conducted to allow electors to exercise the option of NOTA
- (b) the Election Commission to decide whether or not to conduct a poll
- (c) the contesting candidates are elected without conducting a poll
- (d) the election is postponed to invite fresh nominations

9. Consider the following pairs:

Type of Veto	Feature
I. Suspensive Veto	President withholds his/her assent to a bill passed by the Parliament
II. Absolute Veto	President returns a bill (other than a money bill) for reconsideration of the Parliament
III. Pocket Veto	President neither gives assent nor returns the bill when Parliament is not in session
IV. Line Item Veto	President can reject specific provisions or items in a bill

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

10. Consider the following statements with reference to the removal of judges of higher Judiciary:

- I. A Supreme Court judge can be removed from office by the President on an address by both Houses of Parliament presented in the same session.
- II. The Speaker or the Chairman to either admit or refuse to admit the motion given for removal of judges.
- III. If notices of the removal motion are given on the same day in both the Houses of Parliament, the Committee of Inquiry is to be constituted by the Speaker of Lok Sabha.
- IV. The removal motion should be passed separately in each House of Parliament by a special majority.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
- (b) II and III only
- (c) I, II and IV only
- (d) I, II and III only

11. Consider the following statements:

Statement I: Food chains in an ecosystem always have a limited number of trophic levels.

Statement II: Only 10% energy is transferred to the successive trophic levels in a food chain.

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

12. With reference to the 'Green Credit Programme' (GCP), consider the following statements:

I. The Green Credits generated are non-tradable assets and can only be used for meeting Corporate Social Responsibility obligations.

II. Unlike Carbon Credits, the Green Credits cover a broader spectrum of environmental services such as water conservation and waste management.

III. The Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education serves as the nodal administrator for the programme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) II only
- (b) II and III only
- (c) I and II only
- (d) I and III only

13. Consider the following gases:

- I. Methane
- II. Nitrous oxide
- III. Carbon monoxide

How many of the above are both Greenhouse Gases (GHGs) and Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCPs)?

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

14. Consider the following pairs:

Species	IUCN Green Status
I. Lion	Largely Depleted
II. Tiger	Critically Depleted
III. Gharial	Slightly Depleted

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

15. Consider the following statements:

Statement I: Biostimulants usage is considered an eco-friendly agricultural practice.

Statement II: Biostimulants show consistent efficacy across diverse soils and agro-climatic regions.

Statement III: Biostimulants support soil microbes and strengthen ecological balance.

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

16. Consider the following information:

Term	Description	Example	Key Feature
I. Ecotone	Transitional zone between two ecosystems	Mangrove forest	High species overlap
II. Ecocline	Gradual change along an environment	Altitudinal vegetation change	No sharp boundary

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	ntal gradient		
III. Edge effect	Functional role of a species	Forest–grassland boundary	Altered species abundance
IV. Ecological Niche	Change in community structure at habitat boundary	Tiger in a forest ecosystem	Resource use and interactions

In how many of the above rows is the given information correctly matched?

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

17. Which one of the following traditional cultivation practices of the Kondh tribes has been threatened by the spread of eucalyptus monoculture plantations?

- (a) Dongar cultivation
- (b) Milpa cultivation
- (c) Taungya cultivation
- (d) Chitemene cultivation

18. Consider the following pairs:

Protected Area	Only natural habitat in the world for
I. Simlipal Tiger Reserve	Melanistic Tiger
II. Gir National Park	Asiatic Lion
III. Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary	Indian Wild Ass
IV. Bhitarkanika National Park	Saltwater crocodiles

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

19. Consider the following statements with reference to the Global Coral Bleaching Events (GCBE):

- I. The ongoing coral bleaching episode has been recognised as the fifth GCBE due to its unprecedented geographic spread and intensity across tropical reef systems.
- II. For an event to be formally classified as a mass bleaching event, bleaching impacts must be independently verified in all the major ocean basins.
- III. The current global bleaching episode has already exceeded the spatial extent and thermal stress footprint of the immediately preceding GCBE.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) I, II and III
- (b) I and II only
- (c) III only
- (d) II and III only

20. With reference to the major mountain ranges of peninsular India, consider the following statements:

- I. The Aravalli Range extends across Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana and Delhi.
- II. The Satpura Range spreads over Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.
- III. The Ajanta Range is located entirely within Maharashtra.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) I and II only
- (b) II and III only
- (c) I and III only
- (d) I, II and III

21. The 'ABC Islands', seen in the news recently, are located in:

- (a) Mediterranean Sea
- (b) Caribbean Sea
- (c) Gulf of Mexico
- (d) Philippine Sea

22. Consider the following pairs:

Region	Well known for the production of
I. Vidarbha	Cotton
II. Malnad	Coffee
III. Saurashtra	Groundnut
IV. Malwa	Tea

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

23. White poplar, locally known as 'Dood Frast' is:

- (a) a fast-growing exotic species introduced for afforestation, known for high water uptake and alteration of native soil chemistry
- (b) a narrowly distributed montane tree with restricted regeneration, listed as threatened due to habitat fragmentation
- (c) a deciduous tree traditionally valued for soil-binding properties and its durable wood used in local crafts and tools
- (d) a temperate-zone conifer of the upper forest canopy of Himalayas contributing to slope stabilisation and microclimatic regulation

24. Consider the following characteristics of an ecosystem:

- I. The soil remains frozen beneath the surface for most of the year, forming a permafrost layer
- II. Vegetation consists mainly of mosses, lichens, grasses, and dwarf shrubs, with no tall trees
- III. The growing season is very short due to extreme cold and prolonged winter conditions

Which one of the following ecosystems is described above?

- (a) Taiga
- (b) Alpine
- (c) Tundra
- (d) Montane

25. Consider the following pairs:

Mineral	Key Usage
I. Graphite	Electric vehicle (EV) batteries
II. Caesium	Fuel rods in Nuclear Power Plants
III. Rubidium	Specialty glasses in night vision devices
IV. Zirconium	Atomic clocks

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

26. Consider the following statements with regard to the Mediterranean and Monsoon climate:

- I. While the precipitation in Mediterranean climate occurs due to on-shore westerlies, it is a result of seasonal reversal of winds in the Monsoon climate.
- II. While the Mediterranean climate experiences a high annual range of temperature, the Monsoon climate generally exhibits a low annual range of temperature.
- III. Both Mediterranean and Monsoon climates exhibit distinct wet and dry seasons.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and III only
- (b) I and II only
- (c) II and III only
- (d) I, II and III

27. Consider the following countries:

- I. Nepal
- II. Bhutan
- III. Bangladesh
- IV. China
- V. Myanmar

How many of the above share their boundaries with the Siliguri Corridor?

- (a) Only two

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- (b) Only three
- (c) Only four
- (d) All the five

28. Consider the following pairs:

Community	Country
I. Druze	Lebanon
II. Tigrayan	Morocco
III. Yazidis	Iraq
IV. Amazigh	Ethiopia

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

29. Consider the following scenario:

Bhushan owns 1.5 hectares of agricultural land in his native village. His wife is the Sarpanch of the Gram Panchayat. His father, who lives in the same household, is a retired government officer drawing a pension of ₹12,000 per month. Bhushan himself is not employed in government service and has not paid income tax in the last assessment year.

Based on the guidelines of the PM-KISAN Scheme, which of the following is correct?

- (a) Bhushan is eligible since the Sarpanch post does not fall under constitutional exclusions.
- (b) Bhushan is not eligible due to his wife's position as an elected village representative.
- (c) Bhushan is not eligible because his father draws a pension above ₹10,000 per month.
- (d) Both (b) and (c) are valid reasons for exclusion of Bhushan under the scheme.

30. Consider the following parameters:

- I. Damage caused by carbon dioxide and particulate matter emissions
- II. Opportunity cost arising from the depletion of energy, mineral and forest resources

- III. Expenditure incurred on environmental protection measures
- IV. Valuation of ecosystem services generated through afforestation

Which of the above are currently used in the estimation of Green GDP in India?

- (a) I, II and III only
- (b) II and III only
- (c) I and IV only
- (d) I, II, III and IV

31. With reference to Krishnadeva Raya, consider the following statements:

- 1. He was the founder of the Vijayanagara Empire.
- 2. He annexed the Raichur Doab region.
- 3. He authored Amuktamalyada in Telugu.
- 4. He belonged to the Tuluva dynasty.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

32. The works Uttararamacharita, Mahaviracharita, and Malatimadhava were authored by:

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

33. With reference to Maratha administration, consider the following:

- 1. Chauth and Sardeshmukhi were levied on territories not directly ruled by Marathas.
- 2. The Ganapati-Pantapradhan rupee carried inscriptions in both Persian and Devanagari.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

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34. In medieval Indian history, the term Buranjis refers to:

- Sanskrit religious commentaries
- Assamese historical chronicles of the Ahoms
- Persian Mughal court poetry
- Vijayanagara administrative manuals

35. Consider the following pairs regarding the various rulers of Chola empire:

Chola Ruler	Description
1. Kullotunga	Founder of the Chola dynasty in South
2. Rajaraja I	Invaded Sri Lanka and annexed its northern part
3. Rajendra I	Built new capital called 'Gangaikondacholapuram'

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

- Only one pair
- Only two pairs
- All three pairs
- None of the pairs

36. Consider the following statements regarding the Tripartite Struggle in early medieval India:

- It was a conflict among the Gurjara Pratiharas, Palas, and Rashtrakutas.
- The principal objective of the struggle was to control the Gangetic region, particularly Kannauj.
- The conflict eventually led to the complete domination of the Palas over northern India.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- Only one
- Only two
- All three
- None

37. Which one of the following represents the correct descending order of administrative units under the Vijayanagara Empire?

- Mandalam – Sthala – Nadu – Grama
- Mandalam – Nadu – Sthala – Grama

- Nadu – Mandalam – Sthala – Grama
- Nadu – Mandalam – Grama – Sthala

38. Which of the following are included among the Shad-Darshanas or six orthodox systems of Indian philosophy?

- Lokayata
- Yoga
- Buddhism
- Vedanta
- Samkhya

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

39. With reference to Rana Kumbha of Mewar, consider the following:

- He fought Babur at the Battle of Khanwa.
- He constructed the Kirti Stambha at Chittor.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

40. Consider the following statements regarding Nirguna and Saguna tradition of Bhakti movement:

- Saguna bhakti emphasized devotion to deities with attributes such as Shiva and Vishnu.
- Nirguna Bhakti was devoted to the worship of a formless and attributeless concept of God.
- Sant Kabir Das belonged to the saguna tradition.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

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41. With reference to the ancient Indian literature, consider the following statements:

1. Ashtadhyayi is a Sanskrit grammar text composed by Panini.
2. Mahabhashya is a commentary on the Ashtadhyayi written by Katyayana.

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. With reference to the history of Pallava dynasty in South India, consider the following statements:

1. The Pallavas were the contemporaries of the Chalukyas of Vatapi.
2. Chinese Buddhist traveller Hieun Tsang visited the Pallava capital Kanchipuram.
3. Both Sanskrit and Tamil languages flourished during Pallava rulers.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

43. He founded the Indian Statistical Institute in 1932 and the National Sample Survey in 1950, which played a key role in shaping India's data-driven planning, especially during the Second Five Year Plan focused on industrial growth.

Which of the following personalities has been described above?

- (a) M. Visvesvaraya
- (b) P.C. Mahalanobis
- (c) Muthulakshmi Reddy
- (d) D.R. Gadgil

44. Consider the following statements about National Culture Fund:

1. It was set up in 1996 to mobilise extra resources through Public Private Partnerships (PPP) towards conservation of monuments.
2. It is managed by a Council and an Executive Committee and the Council is chaired by the Union Minister of Culture.
3. The donation to NCF is eligible for 100% tax exemptions.

Which of the above given statements are correct?

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

45. For what efforts was María Corina Machado awarded the 2025 Nobel Peace Prize?

- (a) Fighting corruption and promoting transparency
- (b) Advocating human rights and social justice
- (c) Promoting democracy and driving political change
- (d) Mediating international conflicts

46. The Frontier 50 Initiative under the AI for Viksit Bharat Roadmap aims to:

- (a) Support AI startups
- (b) Deploy frontier technologies in aspirational areas
- (c) Establish AI universities
- (d) Train government officials in AI

47. With reference to the Pala dynasty, consider the following statements:

1. The Pala rulers were patrons of Buddhism and established several monasteries and temples.
2. Vikramashila University was founded by King Gopala of the Pala dynasty.

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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48. Which of the following is the correct chronological order of Delhi Sultanate dynasties?

- (a) Khalji – Tughlaq – Mamluk – Sayyid – Lodi
- (b) Mamluk – Khalji – Tughlaq – Sayyid – Lodi
- (c) Tughlaq – Khalji – Mamluk – Lodi – Sayyid
- (d) Khalji – Mamluk – Tughlaq – Lodi – Sayyid

49. Which of the following statements about Alvars and Nayanars is/are correct?

- 1. Alvars were devotees of Vishnu.
- 2. Nayanars worshipped Shiva.

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

50. Which of the following classical dance forms is correctly matched with its State?

- (a) Bharatanatyam – Kerala
- (b) Kuchipudi – Andhra Pradesh
- (c) Sattriya – Tamil Nadu
- (d) Mohiniyattam – Assam

51. The historical significance of the Sharqi dynasty lies in:

- (a) Introducing the Iqta system
- (b) Developing Jaunpur as a centre of learning and architecture
- (c) Establishing Afghan rule in India
- (d) Unifying North and East India

52. Consider the following statements with reference to the Indian Polity:

- I. Unlike legal rights, Fundamental Rights are guaranteed by the Constitution.
- II. Unlike legal rights, Fundamental Rights can only be modified by a Constitutional Amendment.
- III. Fundamental Rights are absolute in nature.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) II only
- (b) I and II only
- (c) III only

- (d) I, II and III

53. Consider the following statements regarding the advisory jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of India:

- I. The Prime Minister of India may refer to the Supreme Court any matter of public importance or involving the interpretation of the Constitution for its opinion.
- II. The Supreme Court, under its advisory jurisdiction, is not bound to give its advice.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

54. Consider the following pairs:

Type of Writ	Description
I. Habeas corpus	To release a person from unlawful detention
II. Mandamus	To restrain a subordinate court from exceeding its jurisdiction
III. Certiorari	To quash an order passed by a lower court or tribunal
IV. Quo Warranto	To direct a public official to perform their lawful duty

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

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

55. Consider the following statements regarding GDP deflator in India:

- I. Unlike the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and Wholesale Price Index (WPI), the GDP deflator includes all domestically produced goods and services.
- II. Unlike the GDP deflator, both WPI and CPI do not adjust for consumption or behavioural changes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) I only
- (b) II only

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- (c) Both I and II
 (d) Neither I nor II

56. Gannon's Storm, recently seen in news, refers to:

- (a) A tropical cyclone over Atlantic causing severe winds
 (b) A deep ocean disturbance affecting Pacific currents
 (c) A geomagnetic storm from solar eruptions hitting Earth
 (d) A desert dust storm spreading across African region

57. Match List I (Lake/Sea) with List II (Location/Country):

List I	List II
A. Yasmina Lake	1. Bolivia (South America)
B. Lake Uru Uru	2. Tunisia (North Africa)
C. Salar de Uyuni	3. Between Europe and Asia (bordered by Russia, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Iran, Azerbaijan)
D. Caspian Sea	4. Bolivia (South America)

Select the correct answer using the code below:

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

58. With reference to BIMSTEC, consider the following statements:

- BIMSTEC is a regional organisation connecting South Asia and Southeast Asia.
- It was established in 1997.
- The BIMSTEC Charter adopted in 2022 provided a formal legal framework for the organisation.
- BIMSTEC includes Pakistan as one of its member countries.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

59. SNAP-X, sometimes seen in news, is best described as:

- (a) A satellite navigation system used for marine surveillance
 (b) A chemical fertilizer used to enhance coral growth in aquaculture
 (c) A nanoparticle-based gel used to attract coral larvae and aid reef restoration
 (d) A robotic device used for underwater coral transplantation

60. Match List I (Index/Report) with List II (Released by):

List I	List II
A. Corruption Perceptions Index	1. World Justice Project
B. Rule of Law Index	2. Transparency International
C. World Press Freedom Index	3. Institute for Economics & Peace (IEP)
D. Global Peace Index	4. Reporters Without Borders (RSF)

Select the correct answer using the code below:

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

61. The term "Abominable Mystery" refers to:

- (a) Sudden extinction of dinosaurs at the end of the Cretaceous period
 (b) Rapid appearance and diversification of flowering plants in the fossil record
 (c) Evolution of mammals from reptiles
 (d) Origin of microorganisms in early Earth

62. With reference to transposable elements in humans, consider the following statements:

- They constitute more than half of the human genome.
- They have no role in genetic variation.
- Their movement can affect gene expression.

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

63. Which of the following best describes Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-cell (CAR-T) therapy?

- (a) A therapy in which antibodies are directly injected to destroy cancer cells
- (b) A therapy in which patient's T cells are genetically modified to target and destroy cancer cells
- (c) A therapy that replaces defective genes in cancer cells
- (d) A therapy that uses radiation to activate immune cells

64. With reference to Mitochondrial Replacement Therapy (MRT), consider the following statements:

- 1. It involves replacement of defective mitochondrial DNA with healthy mitochondrial DNA from a donor.
- 2. The resulting embryo contains genetic material from three individuals.
- 3. In Pronuclear Transfer (PNT), the procedure is carried out before fertilization.
- 4. In Maternal Spindle Transfer (MST), the procedure is carried out after fertilization.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

65. With reference to stem cells, consider the following statements:

- 1. Stem cells are specialized cells that perform specific functions in the body.
- 2. They have the ability to self-renew and differentiate into other cell types.
- 3. Pluripotent stem cells can give rise to all types of cells in the adult body.
- 4. Adult stem cells can differentiate into any cell type in the body.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

66. Adequacy of foreign exchange reserves of a country is captured by which of the following indicators?

- 1. Reserves to import ratio
- 2. Reserves to external debt ratio
- 3. Reserves to GDP ratio
- 4. Reserves to monetary aggregates

Select the correct answer using the code below:

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

67. Which of the following statements about tropical rainforests are correct?

- 1. The soils of tropical rain forests are quite infertile.
- 2. The vegetation is evergreen, enabling photosynthesis to take place year around.
- 3. They have been described as 'deserts covered by trees'.
- 4. They are the most productive landbased ecosystem.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

68. Llamas are typically reared in?

- (a) Arctic region
- (b) sub-Sahara region
- (c) Andes mountain region
- (d) Great Karoo region

69. In the context of international affairs, which one of the following is correct about Lord Curzon?

- (a) He advocated a pacifist policy.
- (b) He wanted to establish a British sphere of influence over the Persian Gulf and Seistan.
- (c) He wanted England and Russia to become friends against China.
- (d) He wanted to lead a flag-waving mission to the USA.

70. What is common to the places called 'Aliyar, Idukki, Mettur, Parambikulam'?

- (a) Buddhist archaeological sites
- (b) Underground cave systems
- (c) Prehistoric cave paintings
- (d) Water reservoirs

71. Which of the following provisions was not introduced by the 44th Constitutional Amendment in the context of the emergency?

- (a) The term "internal disturbance" was replaced by "armed rebellion" in respect of national emergency.
- (b) The President can declare a national emergency only on the written recommendation of the cabinet.
- (c) It added the provision that the proclamation of national emergency can be declared for a specified part of territory of India.
- (d) It provided that the fundamental rights guaranteed by Articles 20 and 21 cannot be suspended during a national emergency.

72. Which of the following statements best represents the basic structure theory of the Constitution of India?

- (a) The Constitution can only be amended by following the procedure specified in Article 368.
- (b) Fundamental rights can be reduced or taken away for certain provisions of Directive Principles of State Policy.
- (c) There are certain fundamental features of the Constitution that are so vital that they cannot be altered or abolished.
- (d) The Fundamental Rights and Directive Principles are part of the Constitution's philosophy and are considered to be the "conscience of the Constitution".

73. With reference to the placement of Fundamental Duties in the Constitution, consider the following statements:

1. The inclusion of Fundamental Duties in the Constitution after the Emergency era implies that they were intended as a tool to restrict individual liberties and suppress dissent.
2. Some of these duties overlap with existing laws and obligations, which may render them redundant or unnecessary.
3. The lack of awareness among citizens about their duties undermines their effectiveness.

Which of the above statements are incorrect?

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

74. With reference to the duration of the Lok Sabha, consider the following statements:

1. The President's authority to dissolve the Lok Sabha can be challenged in a court of law.
2. The extension of the Lok Sabha's term requires a law passed by Parliament.
3. The Lok Sabha is a continuing chamber like the Rajya Sabha.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

75. Consider the following criteria:

1. If an independently elected member joins any political party.
2. If any nominated member joins any political party after the expiry of six months from the date of their nomination.
3. If a member voluntarily gives up the membership of the political party under whose ticket they were elected to the House.

4. If a member holds any office of profit under the union or state government.

How many of the above criteria constitute a disqualification on the grounds of defection under the anti-defection law?

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

76. The initiatives 'WAVES Bazaar', 'Create in India Challenges' and 'WAVES Awards' are most closely aligned with which of the following themes?

- (a) Silver economy
- (b) Orange economy
- (c) Blue economy
- (d) Green economy

77. Consider the following statements:

Statement I: The contrasting physiographic features of the eastern and western Himalayas are determined by how the ranges rise from the adjoining plains.

Statement II: In the eastern Himalayas, the mountains rise abruptly from the plains of Bengal and Oudh, attaining very high elevations within short distance.

Statement III: In the western Himalayas, the rise is gradual from the plains through a series of ranges, with snow-covered peaks located 150–200 km away from the plains.

Which one of the following is correct in respect to 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

78. Which of the following correctly belong to the Middle Ganga Plain?

- (a) Avadh, Mithila, Magadh
- (b) Rohilkhand, Avadh, Mithila
- (c) Magadh, Sundarbans, Mithila
- (d) Avadh, Rohilkhand, Magadh

79. Consider the following statements:

Statement I: The Andaman and Nicobar Islands are geologically significant because of their tectonic origin and volcanic features.

Statement II: These islands are a continuation of the Arakan Yoma range and were formed due to the collision between the Indian Plate and the Burma Minor Plate

Statement III: Barren Island and Narcondam, located in this region, represent the only volcanic islands of India.

Which one of the following is correct in respect to 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

80. Consider the following statements about loamy soil:

1. Loamy soil is the ideal topsoil for growing plants.
2. It is a mixture of sand, clay, and silt, where silt particles are intermediate in size between sand and clay.
3. Loamy soil lacks organic matter and cannot hold water efficiently.

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

81. With reference to the temperature gradient, consider the following statements:

- I. Narrow spacing between isotherms indicates a high thermal gradient.
- II. It is generally low over the tropical regions.
- III. It is generally high over the eastern margins of continents.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
- (b) II and III only
- (c) I and III only
- (d) I, II and III

82. Which one of the following best defines a 'fumarole' in geological terms?

- (a) A deep-sea trench formed due to subduction
- (b) An opening in the Earth's crust emitting steam and volcanic gases
- (c) A mass of ice detached from a glacier
- (d) A type of fertile soil found in the Himalayan Foothills

83. Consider the following statements with regard to the demography of India:

- I. India entered its demographic dividend window in 2005-2006 and is expected to remain in it until 2055-56.
- II. About 65% of India's population is under 35 years of age, with a median age of around 28 years.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

84. In the context of earthquakes, consider the following statements:

- I. Love waves are the most destructive body waves.
- II. Rayleigh waves produce a rolling ground motion and cause major earthquake damage.
- III. Reverse faults at convergent boundaries produce megathrust earthquakes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) I and II
- (b) I and III
- (c) II and III
- (d) III only

85. In the context of the geography of India, Reh, Karl and Chopan are the names of:

- (a) irrigation systems
- (b) saline and alkaline soils
- (c) crop varieties
- (d) types of forest vegetation

86. With reference to Earth's Magnetism, consider the following statements:

- I. Convection in the inner core, combined with the Coriolis effect, generates Earth's magnetic field.
- II. Polar wandering refers to the gradual migration of Earth's magnetic poles across its surface through geologic time.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

87. Recently, Cyclone Montha made its landfall along which coast of India?

- (a) Konkan Coast
- (b) Malabar Coast
- (c) Andhra Coast
- (d) Odisha Coast

88. With regard to the Terai soil in India, consider the following statements:

- I. It is rich in nitrogen content.
- II. It is poorly drained and marshy soil, occurring in a narrow belt south of the Bhabar region.
- III. It is suitable for the cultivation of jute and sugarcane.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) II only

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- (b) III only
- (c) I and II only
- (d) I, II and III

89. Which of the following statements best describes a Rip Current?

- (a) A narrow current of water flowing parallel to the shoreline, caused by longshore drift
- (b) A strong, localized and fast-moving current of water flowing directly away from the shore
- (c) A vertical underwater current that brings cold, nutrient-rich water from deeper oceanic layers to the surface
- (d) A deep ocean current caused by differences in temperature and salinity

90. Arrange the following hills of Peninsular India in the correct sequence of their location from North to South:

- I. Shevaroy
- II. Kudremukh
- III. Anaimudi
- IV. Nallamala
- V. Doda Betta

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) IV- I- II- III- V
- (b) IV- II- I- V- III
- (c) I- IV- II- III- V
- (d) I- II- V- IV- III

91. Consider the following statements:

- I. Burhi Gandak River joins the Ganga River in the Patna district of Bihar.
- II. Kosi is a transboundary river that flows through India and Nepal only.
- III. The Mahananda River originates in the Darjeeling hills and joins the Ganga River in Bangladesh.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) I and II only
- (b) I and III only
- (c) III only
- (d) II and III only

92. In the context of Indian Economy, consider the following statements:

Statement I: Treasury Bills are regarded as zero-coupon bonds.

Statement II: Treasury Bills do not pay any fixed periodic interest to the holder.

Statement III: The profit arising from Treasury Bills is fully exempt from capital gains tax under the Income-tax Act.

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

93. Consider the following items:

1. Solar Cookers
2. Bidi wrapper leaves (Tendu Leaves)
3. Pre-packaged and labelled Paneer
4. Indian Breads
5. Soaps and Shampoos

How many of the above are taxed at zero percent (nil rate) under the revised GST (Goods and Services Tax) rate structure?

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

94. With reference to the inflation control measures in India, consider the following information:

Monetary Policy tool of Reserve Bank of India	Description	To control inflation it will be
1. Repo Rate	The rate at which RBI lends short-term	Increased

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	money to commercial banks	
2. Reverse Repo Rate	The rate at which RBI borrows funds from commercial banks	Decreased
3. Loan-to-Value (LTV) Ratio	It is the difference between the market value of the collateral and the loan amount sanctioned against it by the bank	Increased

In how many of the above rows is the given information correctly matched?

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

95. Consider the following pairs:

Government initiative	Primary objectives
1. Apna Ghar Initiative	To provide support to women in distress
2. Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan	To empower women representatives at Panchayat level all over India
3. Adi Vaani	Combining advanced Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies with community-driven approaches to protect, promote, and revitalize tribal languages and cultures across India
4. Gyan Bharatam Mission	To preserve, digitise, and disseminate India's vast manuscript heritage

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two

- (c) Only three
- (d) All four

96. The terms 'Basket Sneaking' and 'Confirm Shaming', recently seen in news, refer to:

- (a) Deceptive techniques used to manipulate online consumer behaviour
- (b) Methods of tax evasion adopted in informal trade
- (c) Malicious cybersecurity attacks designed to steal user data during online shopping
- (d) Predatory lending practices in digital finance platforms

97. With reference to climate change, consider the following statements about the National Designated Authority (NDA):

1. Its primary objective is to establish a carbon emissions trading regime within India.
2. The establishment of the NDA is mandatory under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement.
3. In India, NITI Aayog is the nodal agency responsible for its functioning.

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

98. Operation Sagar Bandhu was launched by India to provide Search & Rescue and Humanitarian Assistance & Disaster Relief (HADR) support to which one of the following countries?

- (a) Thailand
- (b) Sri Lanka
- (c) Indonesia
- (d) Vietnam

99. Who, amongst the following, was not a part of the Indian Squash team that won the first ever World Cup title at the SDAT Squash World Cup 2025?

- (a) Joshna Chinnappa
- (b) Anahat Singh
- (c) Abhay Singh

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(d) Arjun Erigaisi

100. Consider the following trees:

1. Rosewood
2. Axlewood
3. Rubber
4. Jackfruit

How many of the above trees are predominantly considered as evergreen trees?

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

