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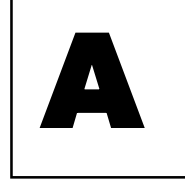


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1. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the Constituent Assembly of India?

I. Dr. Sachchidananda Sinha was chosen as the first temporary President, as he was the oldest member of the Assembly.

II. The Assembly had two Vice-Presidents, H.C. Mukherjee and G.V. Mavlankar.

III. It functioned as the legislative body of free India until the first general elections in 1952.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

2. In the context of the Constitution of India, the principle of substantive equality implies which of the following?

I. Treating every individual in the same manner, irrespective of their social and economic conditions

II. Taking positive measures by the State to reduce existing inequalities among different sections of society

III. Guaranteeing equality before the law under Article 14 fully realizes substantive equality without the need for any special provisions

IV. Providing special provisions or affirmative action to disadvantaged groups to achieve real equality of opportunity

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

3. With respect to the Fundamental Rights of the Armed Forces, consider the following statements:

I. The President of India, as the Supreme Commander, is empowered to restrict or suspend the Fundamental Rights of the Armed Forces.

II. Court-martial proceedings under military laws can be excluded from the writ jurisdiction of the Supreme Court and High Courts.

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

4. Consider the following functionaries:

I. Members of the State Council of Ministers

II. Members of the State Public Service Commission

III. Advocate General of the State

IV. State Election Commissioner

V. District Judge

How many of the above-mentioned functionaries are appointed by the Governor and are also subject to removal by him?

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

5. With reference to the State Legislative Assembly, consider the following statements:

I. The Constitution of India has fixed both the maximum and minimum strength of the Assembly.

II. The Governor of a State can nominate one member from the Anglo-Indian community to the Assembly.

III. Only four Union Territories in India possess their own Legislative Assemblies.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

6. With reference to the Cabinet Secretariat of India, consider the following statements:

I. It functions directly under the Union Home Minister.

II. It is the custodian of the papers of the Cabinet meetings.

III. It is directly responsible for the implementation of plans and programmes of each Ministry.

IV. All Ministries send a monthly report to the Cabinet Secretariat providing details on important policy matters.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

7. Consider the following pairs:

Post	Constitutional Requirement for Removal
I. President	Two-thirds of the total membership of the House
II. Vice President	Rajya Sabha passes a resolution with an effective majority and the Lok Sabha agrees to it by a simple majority
III. Chief Justice of India	More than two-thirds of members present and voting and the majority of the total membership of the House
IV. Comptroller and Auditor General of India	The majority of all the then members of the House

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

8. With reference to the appointment of Additional and Acting Judges of a High Court, consider the following statements:

- I. Additional judges serve until the backlog is cleared, whereas acting judges may be appointed for up to two years.
II. Neither the additional nor the acting judge can hold office after attaining the age of 62 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

9. Consider the following statements regarding parliamentary offices in India:

- I. The office of the Whip is a statutory post.

- II. The Leader of the Opposition is a statutory position and is entitled to salary, allowances, and facilities equivalent to those of a Cabinet Minister.
III. The position of the Leader of the House is based on parliamentary convention.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

10. Consider the following statements with regard to Article 19(1)(a) of the Constitution of India:

- I. Speech with purely economic or commercial intent is protected in the same manner as an individual's freedom of speech and expression.
II. Decency or morality is explicitly recognised as a constitutionally valid ground for limiting free speech and expression.

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

11. With reference to the Supreme Court and the High Courts in India, consider the following statements:

- I. The power to expand the jurisdiction of High Courts rests exclusively with Parliament.
II. The pension payable to the Judges of High Courts is charged upon the Consolidated Fund of India.
III. Both the Supreme Court and the High Courts possess the power to punish for contempt of court.
IV. The Constitution expressly empowers both the Supreme Court and the High Courts to review their own judgments.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

12. Consider the following expenditure:

- I. Expenditure on infrastructure projects

- II. Debt charges for which the Government of India is liable
- III. Salary and allowances of the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Rajya Sabha
- IV. Statutory grants made by the Union to the States under Article 275

Which of the above are under the category of charged expenditure on the Consolidated Fund of India?

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

13. Consider the following Department-related Standing Committees:

- I. Committee of Home Affairs
- II. Committee of Defence
- III. Committee of External Affairs
- IV. Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice

Which of the above committees work under the Rajya Sabha?

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

14. With reference to the nature and enforceability of Fundamental Rights under the Constitution of India, consider the following statements:

- I. All Fundamental Rights are self-executory in nature.
- II. All Fundamental Rights are enforceable against both the State and private individuals.

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

15. Which of the following subjects comes under the State List (List II) of the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India?

- I. Prisons
- II. Banking
- III. Education

- IV. Agriculture
- V. Betting and Gambling
- VI. Fishing and fisheries beyond territorial waters

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

16. With reference to the President of India, consider the following statements:

- I. The oath of office to the President is administered by the Chief Justice of India.
- II. S/He can appoint any member of the Rajya Sabha to preside over its proceedings when the office of the Chairman falls vacant.
- III. S/He decides on questions regarding the disqualification of Members of the Parliament, in consultation with the respective Presiding Officers of the Houses.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

17. With reference to the representation of Union Territories in the Lok Sabha, consider the following statements:

- I. The Constitution of India empowers Parliament to determine the method of electing Lok Sabha representatives from Union Territories.
- II. Of the eight Union Territories, only Delhi, Puducherry, and Jammu & Kashmir are represented in the Rajya Sabha.

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

18. Which of the following qualifications are mentioned in the Constitution of India for a person to be appointed as the Governor of a State?

- I. S/He must have completed the age of thirty-five years.
- II. A person domiciled in a State cannot be appointed as the Governor of that State.
- III. Only individuals who are citizens of India by birth are eligible for appointment to the office of Governor.
- IV. To be eligible for appointment as a Governor, s/he must be qualified to become a member of the State Legislature.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

19. Consider the following statements:

- I. If the Rajya Sabha resolves that it is necessary in the national interest, Parliament becomes competent to legislate on subjects in the State list or Goods and Services Tax.
- II. The resolution must be passed by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting in the Rajya Sabha.
- III. The resolution remains in force for six months and can be renewed any number of times.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

20. Consider the following legislation:

- I. The Indian Independence Act, 1947
- II. Government of India Act, 1935
- III. Abolition of Privy Council Jurisdiction Act, 1949

Which of the above Acts remained in force even after the commencement of the Constitution of India?

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

21. Consider the following scenario:

The Panchayat Secretary of Rampur village has announced that only the members of the Gram Sabha can attend the upcoming meeting. Sita is 19 years old, lives in Rampur, and her name is included in the electoral roll of that village.

Is Sita eligible to attend the Gram Sabha meeting?

- (a) No, because the minimum age for Gram Sabha membership is 21 years.
- (b) Yes, because she is above 18 years of age, resides in the village, and her name is in the electoral roll.
- (c) No, because only elected members of the Gram Panchayat can attend the Gram Sabha.
- (d) Yes, because all women are members of the Gram Sabha.

22. Consider the following information:

Directive Principle of State Policy (DPSP)	Category	Policy Implemented
I. Securing a living wage	Socialist	Code on Wages, 2019
II. Promotion of cottage industry	Socialist	One District One Product
III. Promotion of educational and economic interests of SCs/STs	Gandhian	Eklavya Model Residential Schools
IV. Raise the nutrition level	Liberal-Intellectual	Poshan Abhiyan

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

23. Which one of the following statements is not correct with regard to the Supreme Court of India?

- (a) It acts as the guardian of the Constitution.
- (b) The President determines the actual strength of the Court from time to time.
- (c) It acts both as a Federal Court and as a final court of appeal.

(d) It possesses original jurisdiction in disputes involving Fundamental Rights.

24. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Acts of Parliament do not automatically apply to all states and regions of India in the same manner.

Statement-II: In the case of Assam, the application of Parliamentary laws is subject to the President's decision.

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

25. If the President issues a proclamation imposing a Financial Emergency in India, then which of the following statements best reflects the consequences(s) of it?

- I. The transfer of finances/funds from the Centre to the States gets automatically cancelled.
- II. Prior approval of the President would be required for the introduction of money bills in all State Legislatures.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

26. With reference to the Indian polity, consider the following statements:

- I. The Constitution of India lays down the tenure of both Houses of Parliament.
- II. The Constitution of India prescribes the quorum to be one-tenth of the total number of members of the House.
- III. The premature dissolution of the Lok Sabha is generally not subject to judicial review.

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

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

27. Consider the following Public Interest Litigations (PILs):

- I. Petition for early hearing of cases pending in subordinate courts
- II. Petition against the police for refusal to register a case
- III. Petition from a jailed convict complaining of harassment
- IV. Petition alleging violation of labour laws in an individual case

In how many of the above instances is a PIL liable to be dismissed?

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

28. Consider the following pairs:

Type of Urban Local Body	Purpose
I. Notified Area Committee	Administration of small towns with limited civic functions
II. Town Area Committee	Administration of areas around large public enterprises for providing civic amenities
III. Cantonment Board	Administration of the civilian population in cantonment areas
IV. Township	Administration of areas that are fast developing but not yet fulfilling all conditions for a municipality

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 statements:

Statement-I: Legislation placed under the Ninth Schedule of the Constitution of India is not entirely shielded from judicial scrutiny.

Statement-II: As per the I.R. Coelho judgment, laws inserted in the Ninth Schedule on or after 24 April 1973 are subject to judicial review.

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

30. Which one of the following statements best represents the concept of "secularism" as enshrined in the Constitution of India?

- (a) The State accords equal respect and recognition to all religions.
- (b) The State maintains a complete separation between religion and personal laws.
- (c) The State gives preferential treatment to minority religions to ensure social balance.
- (d) The State excludes all forms of religion from the public sphere.

31. Consider the following statements with regard to the Constituent Assembly:

I. In each British Indian province, the seats in the Constituent Assembly were allocated among Muslims, Sikhs, and the General category in proportion to their respective populations.

II. Representatives of each community were to be elected by members of that community in the provincial legislative assemblies, using the first-past-the-post system.

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

32. Consider the following statements with regard to the Central Council of Local Government:

I. It is an advisory body, constituted under Article 263 of the Constitution of India.

II. It deals with the matters of urban local government only.

III. The Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs serves as the Chairperson of the Council.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

33. With reference to a Finance Bill in the Union Budget, consider the following statements:

I. It can be introduced only in the Lok Sabha.

II. The Rajya Sabha cannot reject or amend the bill.

III. There is a provision for a joint sitting in case of disagreement over the bill.

IV. Unlike the Appropriation Bill, the amendments seeking to reject or reduce a tax can be moved in the case of a finance bill.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

34. With respect to the reservation in promotions under Article 16(4) and Article 16(4A) of the Constitution of India, consider the following statements:

I. Reservation for OBCs is confined to initial appointments only and there is no provision for reservation in promotions.

II. The 85th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2001, inserted the provision of "consequential seniority" to allow reserved category candidates to retain seniority over general category peers.

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

35. With reference to the Indian Parliament, consider the following statements:

- I. Both Houses have equal powers to create new All-India Services common to both the Centre and States.
- II. Both Houses participate equally in the impeachment process of the President.
- III. Both Houses have equal power in removing the Council of Ministers by passing a no-confidence motion.
- IV. Both Houses have equal authority in approving constitutional amendments.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

36. The 44th Constitutional Amendment Act, 1978, removed the Right to Property as a Fundamental Right. Which of the following were the consequences of this development?

- I. Compensation is not guaranteed for the acquisition of land under personal cultivation even if it lies within statutory ceiling limits.
- II. The right does not protect against deprivation of property by either legislative or executive action.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

37. If India chooses to engage in war with another nation, which authority possesses the ultimate power to declare the war?

- (a) The President of India
- (b) Prime Minister
- (c) National Security Council
- (d) Chief of Defence Staff

38. With reference to the transfer of Judges of the High Courts in India, consider the following statements:

- I. It may be effected either in the public interest or by way of punishment.

- II. As part of the process, the Chief Justice of India seeks the advice of a collegium made up of the four seniormost Judges of the Supreme Court.
- III. A Public Interest Litigation (PIL) may be instituted to challenge the transfer of a Judge.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

39. With reference to the Narco-Analysis in India, consider the following statements:

- I. When conducted voluntarily and with procedural safeguards, the results of the test can be used as direct evidence in a court of law.
- II. The involuntary administration of such tests infringes upon the Fundamental Rights guaranteed under Article 21.
- III. Facts or material evidence discovered as a consequence of a voluntary test can be admissible under the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam, 2023.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

40. Consider the following statements:

- I. The Indian Councils Act of 1909 introduced indirect elections for the first time.
- II. The Government of India Act of 1919 expanded the system of separate electorates to include Sikhs.
- III. The Government of India Act of 1935 introduced limited enfranchisement for women.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

41. Consider the following statements:

- I. The President and the Governors enjoy immunity from civil and criminal proceedings in respect of their personal acts during their tenure.

II. As per the Constitution of India, Ministers are protected from legal action for acts done in the course of their official duties.

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

42. With regard to the legislative process in the State Legislature, consider the following statements:

- I. If the President returns a Bill, the legislature must undertake its reconsideration within six months.
- II. It is a constitutional obligation for the President to give assent to a bill that has been reconsidered and passed by the State Legislature.

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

43. Consider the following statements:

- I. A State Government can borrow only within India on the security of the Consolidated Fund of the State.
- II. The discretionary grants under Article 282 are given to the States by the Centre on the recommendation of the Finance Commission.
- III. A State cannot contract new loans without the Centre's consent if any previous Central loan or guarantee to that State remains outstanding.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

44. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The Supreme Court of India is regarded as a Court of Record.

Statement-II: Its judgments and proceedings are preserved as legal precedents.

Statement-III: It has the power to punish for contempt of itself and of subordinate courts.

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

45. With reference to the Zonal Councils, consider the following statements:

- I. All of them are established under Article 263 of the Constitution of India.
- II. The secretariat looking after all Zonal Councils is located in New Delhi under the administrative control of the Ministry of Home Affairs.
- III. Each Zonal Council has a Standing Committee consisting of Chief Secretaries of the member States.
- IV. The North Eastern States are not included in the Zonal Councils.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

46. Consider the following pairs:

Tax	Appropriated by
I. Taxes on agricultural income	Centre
II. Excise duty on alcoholic liquor for human consumption	State
III. Taxes on the sale of petroleum crude	Centre and State
IV. Taxes on mineral rights	State

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

47. Which one of the following scenarios is least likely to amount to a violation of personality rights in India?

- (a) Unauthorized use of a celebrity's distinctive voice in a television advertisement for commercial gain
- (b) Creation of a satirical caricature imitating the mannerisms of a well-known political figure in an editorial cartoon
- (c) Commercial sale of merchandise bearing the image of a film actor without prior consent
- (d) Publication of a fictitious commercial endorsement attributed to a prominent sportsman in a newspaper advertisement

48. With reference to the Interim Government of 1946, consider the following statements:

- I. The Viceroy retained the right to veto legislative proposals.
- II. The Prime Minister functioned as the head of the Executive Council.

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

49. Consider the following statements with regard to the suspension of Fundamental Rights during a National Emergency in India:

- I. The Fundamental Rights under Article 19 are automatically suspended in case of both External Emergency as well as Internal Emergency.
- II. Under Article 359, the suspension of enforcement of rights is not automatic and requires a Presidential Order specifying which Fundamental Rights are suspended.

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

50. Consider the following situations:

- I. If she/he has unlawfully traded or communicated with the enemy during a war

II. If she/he has voluntarily acquired the citizenship of another country during a war with which India is engaged

III. If she/he has been ordinarily resident outside India for seven years continuously

In how many of the above circumstances can the Central Government deprive a person of Indian Citizenship?

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

51. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: If a State refuses to implement the Centre's directive on the three-language formula, then the President's Rule may be imposed in that State.

Statement-II: Article 365 allows the President to impose President's Rule if a State fails to comply with the directions given by the Centre.

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

52. Consider the following statements with respect to the Prorogation of the House of Parliament:

I. The presiding officer can prorogue the House while in session.

II. It does not affect the bills pending before the House.

III. It is done on the advice of the Council of Ministers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

53. With reference to the State Legislative Council, consider the following statements:

- I. The qualifying age for membership in the Rajya Sabha and the Legislative Council is the same.
- II. A person nominated by the Governor to the Legislative Council must be an elector for an Assembly constituency in the respective State.
- III. If the Chief Minister is a member of the Legislative Council, he/she becomes responsible to both Houses of the State Legislature.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

54. Which one of the following statements best implies that the Fundamental Rights promote the idea of political democracy in India?

- (a) They are most essential for the all-round development of the citizens.
- (b) They empower citizens to engage in electoral democracy through the right to vote.
- (c) They are fundamental in governance and serve as a crucial test for the performance of the Government.
- (d) They operate as limitations on the tyranny of the executive and arbitrary laws of the legislature.

55. Consider the following features of Constitution of India:

- I. Rule of Law
- II. Prerogative writs
- III. Nomination of members to the Rajya Sabha
- IV. Procedure for amendment of the Constitution
- V. Vesting of residuary powers in the Centre

How many of the above features were adopted from the British Constitution?

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

56. "The edifice of our Constitution is based upon the basic elements mentioned in the Preamble. If any of these elements are removed, the structure will not survive and it will not be the same Constitution, or it cannot maintain its identity."

In which one of the following cases did the Supreme Court of India make the above observation?

- (a) Kesavananda Bharati vs. State of Kerala case (1973)
- (b) Re: The Berubari Union and Exchange of Enclaves Case (1960)
- (c) Minerva Mills Ltd. and Ors. vs. Union of India and Ors. (1980)
- (d) I.C. Golak Nath & Ors. vs. State of Punjab & Anrs. (1967)

57. Consider the following pairs:

State/Union Territory (UT)	Status immediately before attaining statehood or UT status
I. Puducherry	Acquired territory
II. Meghalaya	Autonomous state
III. Sikkim	Protectorate state
IV. Daman and Diu	Associate state

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

58. Which of the following statements with reference to negative and positive liberty are correct?

- I. Negative liberty refers to freedom from external restraint, whereas positive liberty involves having the necessary conditions and capacities to act freely.
- II. Negative liberty can exist even amidst significant social and economic inequalities, while positive liberty seeks to remove such barriers to enable meaningful freedom.
- III. Negative liberty emphasizes non-interference, whereas positive liberty focuses on self-mastery and collective empowerment.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) II and III only
- (b) I and III only
- (c) I, II and III
- (d) None

59. Consider the following statements with reference to the election of the President of India:

- I. The value of votes of elected Members of Legislative Assemblies is the same across States to maintain uniformity in the scale of representation.
- II. Nominated Members of Parliament do not participate in the election.
- III. The election is held in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote and voting is by open ballot.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

60. A Dilatory Motion in the Parliament of India is primarily intended to:

- (a) seek information from the government
- (b) delay or adjourn the debate on a bill or motion
- (c) censure a Minister for misconduct
- (d) expedite the passage of a bill

61. Consider the following provisions:

- I. Voting age was increased from 18 years to 21 years
- II. The Ninth Schedule was added
- III. The Veto power of the President on the Constitutional Amendment Bill was removed
- IV. Enabled land reform and acquisition for public welfare
- V. Recognized public order, state security, and foreign relations as valid grounds to restrict the Freedom of Speech under Article 19(1)(a) of the Constitution of India

How many of the above were added to the Constitution of India by the First Constitutional Amendment Act, 1951?

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

62. Which one of the following statements about residuary powers is not correct?

- (a) Before independence, the residuary powers under the Government of India Act, 1935, were vested in the Governor-General.

(b) Unlike in India, residuary powers in the United States are vested in the States.

(c) The provision of residuary powers in the Constitution of India was adopted from the Constitution of Canada.

(d) The subject of 'Weights & Measures' falls under the residuary powers of the Union as per the Seventh Schedule.

63. With reference to the Vice-President of India, consider the following statements:

I. As the ex-officio Chairman of the Rajya Sabha, the Vice-President must meet the same minimum age requirement as a member of the Rajya Sabha.

II. The office of the Vice-President is not considered an Office of Profit under the Constitution of India.

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

64. With reference to the ordinance-making power of the Governor, consider the following statements:

I. S/He can promulgate an ordinance when either of the two Houses of a bicameral State Legislature is not in session.

II. S/He cannot promulgate an ordinance on a subject listed in the Concurrent List.

III. S/He promulgates an ordinance at their own discretion.

IV. An ordinance ceases to operate upon expiration of six months from the date of reassembly of the State Legislature.

How many of the above statements are correct?

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

65. Neeti is a District Judge in Jhajjar (Haryana). In this context, which one of the following statements is correct?

(a) She was appointed by the Chief Justice of the Punjab and Haryana High Court.

- (b) She had a combined experience of seven years as an advocate and judicial officer in the State Judicial Service before her appointment.
(c) She has the power to impose the death penalty without confirmation from the High Court.
(d) None of the above

66. What was the exact constitutional status of India on 26th January, 1950?

- (a) A Democratic Republic
(b) A Sovereign Democratic Republic
(c) A Sovereign Secular Democratic Republic
(d) A Sovereign Socialist Secular Democratic Republic.

67. Which of the following are regarded as the main feature of "Rule of Law"?

1. Limitation of power
2. Equality before the law
3. People's responsibility to the Government
4. Liberty and civil rights

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

68. Which of the following statements are correct about the Constitution of India?

1. Powers of the Municipalities are given in Part IX A of the Constitution.
2. Emergency provisions are given in Part XVIII of the Constitution.
3. Provisions related to the amendment of the Constitution are given in Part XX of the Constitution.

Select the answer using the code given below:

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

69. In essence, what does 'Due Process of Law' mean?

- (a) The principle of natural justice
(b) The procedure established by law
(c) Fair application of law
(d) Equality before law

70. A legislation which confers on the executive or administrative authority an unguided and uncontrolled discretionary power in the matter of application of law violates which one of the following Articles of the Constitution of India?

- (a) Article 14
(b) Article 28
(c) Article 32
(d) Article 44

71. With reference to the Digital Payment Intelligence Platform (DPIP), recently in the news, consider the following statements:

1. It is a network-level intelligence platform being developed by the RBI to mitigate fraud risks through real-time data sharing.
2. The Reserve Bank Innovation Hub has been tasked with building a prototype for the platform in consultation with select banks.

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

72. With reference to the ASEAN-India Trade in Goods Agreement (AITIGA), consider the following statements:

1. It is a comprehensive agreement that covers trade in goods, services, and investments under a single framework established in 2009.
2. The agreement provides for differentiated timelines for tariff elimination to accommodate the less-developed members of the ASEAN bloc.

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

73. With reference to the concept of Evaporative Demand and Thirstwaves, consider the following statements:

1. Evaporative demand represents the atmosphere's potential for evaporation if water is available, serving as a measure of atmospheric "thirst."

2. While often associated with temperature, evaporative demand is also driven by variables such as wind speed, humidity, and cloud cover.

3. The term "Thirstwave" refers specifically to a period of three or more consecutive days of intense evaporative demand, which can intensify drought and fire risks.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

74. With reference to Nano Fertilizers, consider the following statements:

1. They are characterized by nutrients encapsulated within nanomaterials typically smaller than 100 nanometers in size.

2. Unlike conventional fertilizers, they are designed for controlled release and slow diffusion of nutrients into the soil.

3. The IFFCO introduced the world's first Nano Liquid Urea and is expanding its manufacturing footprint to Brazil.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

75. With reference to the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA), consider the following statements:

1. It is a global initiative launched by India to ensure the conservation of seven specific big cat species, including those not naturally found in India like the Jaguar and Puma.

2. The alliance is an intergovernmental organization where membership is strictly limited to the 95 range countries that host these big cat species.

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

76. With reference to the Fast Patrol Vessel (FPV) Achal, recently in the news, consider the following statements:

1. It is the fifth in a series of eight Fast Patrol Vessels being indigenously designed and developed by Goa Shipyard Limited.

2. The vessel is built under a dual-class certification from the American Bureau of Shipping and the Indian Register of Shipping.

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

77. In the context of wildlife conservation and taxonomy, what is AviList, recently seen in the news?

(a) A satellite-based tracking system developed by BirdLife International to monitor migratory patterns of raptors.

(b) The world's first unified global checklist of bird species, aiming to provide a standardized authoritative taxonomy.

(c) A digital marketplace launched by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology for the legal trade of captive-bred exotic birds.

(d) An international treaty signed under the CITES framework to ban the cross-border movement of invasive avian species.

78. With reference to the Search and Rescue Aid Tool (SARAT), recently in the news, consider the following statements:

1. It is a web-based software tool developed by the Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) to assist in locating objects or persons lost at sea.

2. The system utilizes high-resolution ocean models and high-performance computing to predict the drift trajectory of vessels, containers, or debris.

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

79. With reference to the Himalayan Long-tailed Myotis, recently discovered in the Western Himalayas, consider the following statements:

1. It is a newly identified bat species belonging to the Myotis frater complex, which has a distribution across various parts of Asia.
2. The species is primarily found in the high-altitude alpine meadows of the Eastern Himalayas, specifically in Arunachal Pradesh.
3. Beyond insect pest control, these bats play a significant ecological role through pollination and seed dispersal.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

80. With reference to the ULLAS - Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram, consider the following statements:

1. It is a centrally sponsored scheme targeting individuals aged 15 years and above who could not attend school, aligned with the NEP 2020.
2. The scheme is built on the pillars of volunteerism and "Kartavya Bodh" (sense of duty) to achieve the goal of "Jan Saaksharta" (people's literacy).
3. Goa recently achieved the milestone of becoming fully literate under this scheme.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

81. With reference to Exercise Divya Drishti, recently in the news, consider the following statements:

1. It was a high-altitude technology demonstration conducted by the Indian Army's Trishakti Corps in East Sikkim.
2. The exercise focused on the integration of AI-enabled sensors and drones to improve the "sensor-to-shooter" link and battlefield surveillance.
3. It was conducted to test operational readiness and secure data flow in realistic combat scenarios at high altitudes.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

82. With reference to World Food India (WFI), consider the following statements:

1. It is a biennial global event organized by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare to showcase India's prowess in the food processing sector.
2. The initiative is linked to the 'Make in India' program and promotes infrastructure such as Mega Food Parks to provide plug-and-play facilities for entrepreneurs.

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

83. In the context of environmental science and biodiversity, what is Lantana camara, recently discussed as a major ecological concern?

- (a) A rare medicinal shrub endemic to the Western Ghats used for treating respiratory ailments.
- (b) An invasive alien weed native to the Americas that displaces native flora through allelopathy.
- (c) A specialized bio-fertilizer derived from deep-sea algae used in organic farming.
- (d) A native Indian pioneer species that helps in the primary succession of volcanic islands.

84. With reference to the Meri Panchayat App, recently in the news, consider the following statements:

1. It is a unified digital platform developed by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj in collaboration with the National Informatics Centre (NIC).
2. The app serves as a one-stop interface providing citizens with real-time access to Panchayat budgets, development plans, and geo-tagged project tracking.
3. It has been recognized by the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) for its role in using ICT to advance sustainable development.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

85. With reference to the Pale-capped Pigeon (*Columba punicea*), consider the following statements:

1. It is a large, frugivorous bird species that exhibits sexual dimorphism, where the males possess a distinct whitish-grey cap.
2. It is currently categorized as 'Critically Endangered' on the IUCN Red List due to severe habitat loss in the evergreen forests of Southeast Asia.

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

86. With reference to the RhodIS India Programme, consider the following statements:

1. It is a DNA-based wildlife forensics tool launched by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change to create unique genetic signatures for individual rhinoceroses.
2. The program aims to assist in the investigation of poaching crimes by using standardized DNA profiling protocols to link seized rhino parts to specific crime scenes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

87. With reference to Japonica rice, recently in the news, consider the following statements:

1. It is a major eco-geographical race of *Oryza sativa* that is primarily cultivated in warmer tropical regions and is characterized by long, non-sticky grains.
2. Scientists have recently utilized CRISPR-Cas9 gene-editing technology to enhance phosphate uptake efficiency in Japonica rice varieties.

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

88. With reference to the National Overseas Scholarship (NOS) Scheme, consider the following statements:

1. It is a Central Sector Scheme administered by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment specifically for Master's and Ph.D. level courses abroad.
2. The scholarship is restricted to low-income families with an annual income not exceeding ₹8 lakh.
3. All students belonging to the target marginalized communities are eligible, including those who have previously self-funded a Master's degree abroad.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

89. With reference to the National Biobank and the Phenome India Project, consider the following statements:

1. The National Biobank is an integral part of the Phenome India Project, which aims to build a comprehensive health database by tracking the genomic and clinical data of 10,000 individuals.
2. The project specifically focuses on communicable diseases and is restricted to the rural population of the North-Eastern states to ensure geographic diversity.

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

90. With reference to the Tokara Islands, recently in the news due to high seismic activity, consider the following statements:

1. The archipelago, also known as the Toshima Islands, is located in southern Japan between the islands of Kyushu and Amami.
2. Nakanoshima is the largest and most populated island in this group, featuring Mount Otake as its highest peak.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

91. With reference to the UDISE+ system and its recent integration with Aadhaar, consider the following statements:

1. It is a comprehensive Educational Management Information System administered by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).
2. The platform serves as a central database to record student-wise and teacher-wise details, alongside school infrastructure data.
3. A recent collaboration allows for Mandatory Biometric Updates (MBU) in Aadhaar to be facilitated directly through the UDISE+ application.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

92. In the context of recent educational and social welfare initiatives, what is Project Aarohan, recently seen in the news?

- (a) A mentorship program launched by the Ministry of Education to provide free coaching for civil services to tribal students in Northeast India.
- (b) A nationwide initiative by NHA to support the educational aspirations and career guidance of the children of toll plaza employees.
- (c) A skill-development project under the Ministry of Rural Development aimed at promoting sustainable farming among women self-help groups.

(d) A digital literacy campaign by the Ministry of Electronics and IT to provide high-speed internet connectivity to rural government schools.

93. With reference to Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS), consider the following statements:

1. It is a rare autoimmune disorder where the body's immune system mistakenly attacks the peripheral nervous system.
2. The syndrome is exclusively caused by genetic mutations and is never triggered by external factors such as viral infections or vaccinations.

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

94. With reference to the Drake Passage, recently in the news due to seismic activity, consider the following statements:

1. It is a vital body of water located between Cape Horn at the southern tip of South America and the South Shetland Islands of Antarctica.
2. It hosts the Antarctic Circumpolar Current, which is recognized as the world's most voluminous ocean current, flowing from east to west.

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

95. With reference to the Bandipur Tiger Reserve, consider the following statements:

1. It is located at the ecological confluence of the Western and Eastern Ghats and forms part of the Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve.
2. The reserve is geographically bounded by the Kabini River to the north and the Moyar River to the south.
3. It shares its borders with Nagarhole Tiger Reserve, Mudumalai Tiger Reserve, and Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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

96. With reference to the National Medical Register (NMR), consider the following statements:

1. It is a centralized database of all registered modern medicine practitioners in India, maintained by the National Medical Commission (NMC).
2. Registration in the NMR is optional for doctors already registered with State Medical Councils, as the unique NMR ID is automatically generated via Aadhaar linkage.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

97. With reference to the India Cine Hub Portal, consider the following statements:

1. It is a single-window digital platform launched by the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting to streamline film permissions, incentives, and resource mapping.
2. Initially launched for international productions, its services have now been extended to include Indian filmmakers as well.

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

98. With reference to the RS-28 Sarmat, which was recently in the news, which of the following statements is correct?

- (a) It is a short-range surface-to-air missile system developed for coastal defense.
- (b) It is a new-generation, liquid-fueled ICBM capable of carrying multiple nuclear warheads and hypersonic glide vehicles.
- (c) It is a solid-fueled submarine-launched ballistic missile (SLBM) with a maximum range of 5,000 km.

(d) It is a stealth fighter jet named after ancient nomadic people of the Eurasian Steppe.

99. With reference to Collusive Litigation, consider the following statements:

1. It refers to legal proceedings where the parties are not truly adversarial but instead cooperate to achieve a shared objective, which can be used to bypass legislative processes.
2. In the Indian judicial system, the burden of proof to demonstrate collusion or fraud in a decree lies upon the court rather than the party challenging the decree.

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

100. With reference to the Dorjilung Hydropower Project, recently in the news, consider the following statements:

1. It is a mega run-of-river project being developed on the Kurichhu River in eastern Bhutan, aimed at addressing seasonal energy gaps.
2. The project is notable for being Bhutan's largest hydropower initiative developed under a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model, involving India's Tata Power.
3. Upon completion, a significant majority of the power generated (approximately 80%) is slated to be exported to India to enhance regional energy security.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

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