

1. Who among the following filed the Writ Petition that led to the famous verdict of the Supreme Court of India recognising the Right to Privacy as a Fundamental Right?

- (a) Justice P. N. Bhagwati
- (b) Justice Rohinton Fali Nariman
- (c) Justice K. S. Puttaswamy
- (d) Justice Anil R. Dave



Consider the following statements regarding the Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan :

1. This programme is initiated by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
2. It aims to develop an inclusive society for persons with disabilities.
3. It has provisions of pension for persons with disabilities.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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



Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment

Through the Forty Second Amendment to the Constitution of India, which of the following was/were inserted into its Preamble?

1. 'Liberty of thought, expression and belief' was substituted by 'Liberty of thought, expression, belief, faith and worship'.
2. The expression 'Unity of the Nation' was substituted by 'Unity and Integrity of the Nation'.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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



Which of the following statements about India's rank in the Global Innovation Index-2023, published by the World Intellectual Property Organisation, is/are correct?

1. India has been placed at 40th rank.
2. India has been on a rising trajectory over the period 2015-2023.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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



NITI Aayog

India retains 40th rank in the Global Innovation Index 2023

NITI Aayog to host India's Launch of the Global Innovation Index 2023

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India retains 40th rank out of 132 economies in the Global Innovation Index 2023 rankings published by the World Intellectual Property Organization. India has been on a rising trajectory, over the past several years in the Global Innovation Index (GII), from a rank of 81 in 2015 to 40 in 2023. Innovation has been at the forefront of India's growth strategy against the unprecedented crisis created by the pandemic and will be pivotal in driving the country's resilience, as enshrined in the Prime Minister's clarion call for 'Atmanirbhar Bharat'.

The 7th edition of the Indian Ocean Conference was held at

- (a) Dhaka
- (b) New Delhi
- (c) Malé
- (d) Perth



Visit of EAM Dr. S Jaishankar to Perth, Australia to attend the 7th Indian Ocean Conference

 February 08, 2024

The Indian Ocean Conference is a flagship consultative forum for countries in the Indian Ocean Region, organized annually by the Ministry of External Affairs, in association with the India Foundation.

2. The 7th edition of the Indian Ocean Conference is being held in Perth, Australia on 9-10 February, 2024 in association with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Government of Australia, along with S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Singapore and Perth-US Asia Centre in Australia. The theme of this edition of the conference is "Towards a Stable and Sustainable Indian Ocean".

5. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists :

List-I
(Political idea)

A. Human beings, unlike all other objects, possess dignity

B. It is Swaraj when we learn to rule ourselves

C. Freedom implies not only emancipation from political bondage but also equal distribution of wealth

D. For me real freedom is freedom from fear

List-II
(Thinker)

1. Aung San Suu Kyi

2. Subhas Chandra Bose

3. Immanuel Kant

4. Mahatma Gandhi

Code :

(a) A B C D
3 2 4 1

(b) A B C D
1 4 2 3

(c) A B C D
3 4 2 1

(d) A B C D
1 2 4 3

Qubit refers to a two-valued quantity used in

(a) classical computers

(b) classical cryptography

(c) quantum computers

(d) lasers

'Human beings', unlike all other objects, possess dignity. They are, for this reason valuable in themselves. For the eighteenth century German philosopher, Immanuel Kant, this simple idea had a deep meaning.



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Which one of the following correctly describes the principle of the working of an atomic clock?

- (a) Vibration of a small quartz crystal
- (b) Simple harmonic motion of atoms inside a crystal
- (c) Resonant frequency in cesium (or rubidium) atom
- (d) Excitation and de-excitation of hydrogen atoms

Which one of the following elements is used as a timekeeper in atomic clocks?

- (a) Potassium
- (b) Caesium
- (c) Calcium
- (d) Magnesium



The Indian Army launched 'Operation Sarvashakti' to flush out terrorists in

- (a) Myanmar
- (b) Manipur
- (c) Jammu and Kashmir
- (d) Chhattisgarh



Which of the following statements with respect to the right to have a legal aid is/are correct?

1. Under the Constitution of India, it is given under the Directive Principles of State Policy.
2. It is the duty of the police to inform the nearest Legal Aid Committee immediately after the arrest of a person.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

It states that those persons who have annual income of less than the amount prescribed by the respective State Government, if the case is before any court other than the Supreme Court, and less than Rs. 5 Lakhs, if the case is before the Supreme Court, are eligible for free legal aid.



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What is the right to free legal aid in Article 21?

Legal aid is a constitutional right supported by Articles 21 and 39-A of the Constitution of India. Article 21 of the Indian Constitution states that **no person shall be deprived of his life or personal liberty except according to procedure established by law.**



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CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS FOR LEGAL AID IN INDIA ✓

Consider the following statements :

1. Under Part III of the Constitution of India, individuals can enforce rights guaranteed by this Part when they are violated by the action of a government authority.
2. Under Part III of the Constitution of India, individuals can enforce rights guaranteed by this Part when they are violated by not only the action of a government authority, but also by its inaction.

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



Which of the following statements are **not** correct?

1. In world politics, 'hard power' can be exercised by both States and other actors involving use of threat or coercion.
2. Globalisation is necessarily economic, not cultural.
3. The term 'Washington Consensus' refers to a policy that seeks intervention in the market.
4. 'Autarky' is generally understood as economic 'self-sufficiency'.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

Different Economic Policies

Consensus	Definition	Origin	Main Characteristics
Washington Consensus	A reform policy package suggested by the IMF, World Bank, and US Department of the Treasury to developing countries in economic crisis.	Proposed by the International Monetary Fund, World Bank, and US Department of the Treasury in Washington, labeled by economist John Williamson.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emphasis on market-oriented reforms. - Fiscal discipline. - Trade liberalization. - Privatization. - Deregulation. - Secure property rights. - Promote free-market capitalism.
Beijing Consensus	Political and economic policies of the People's Republic of China instituted by Deng Xiaoping after Mao Zedong's death, presented as an alternative to the Washington Consensus.	Formulated by Deng Xiaoping's policies in China, term introduced by Joshua Cooper Remo.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - State-led development. - Gradual market opening. - Emphasis on stability and social harmony. - Rejects rapid political liberalization. - Strategic state intervention in the economy. - Prioritize long-term planning over short-term gains.
Santiago Consensus	A socio-economic development model emphasizing inclusion, proposed by the World Bank, encouraging governments to focus on inclusive socio-economic growth.	Inspired by a proposal from the World Bank.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Focus on inclusive socio-economic growth. - Emphasis on both economic and social inclusion. - Tailored to local characteristics. - Encourage governments to prioritize inclusive policies.

Which of the following cities were conferred with the cleanest city award under Swachh Survekshan Awards, 2023?

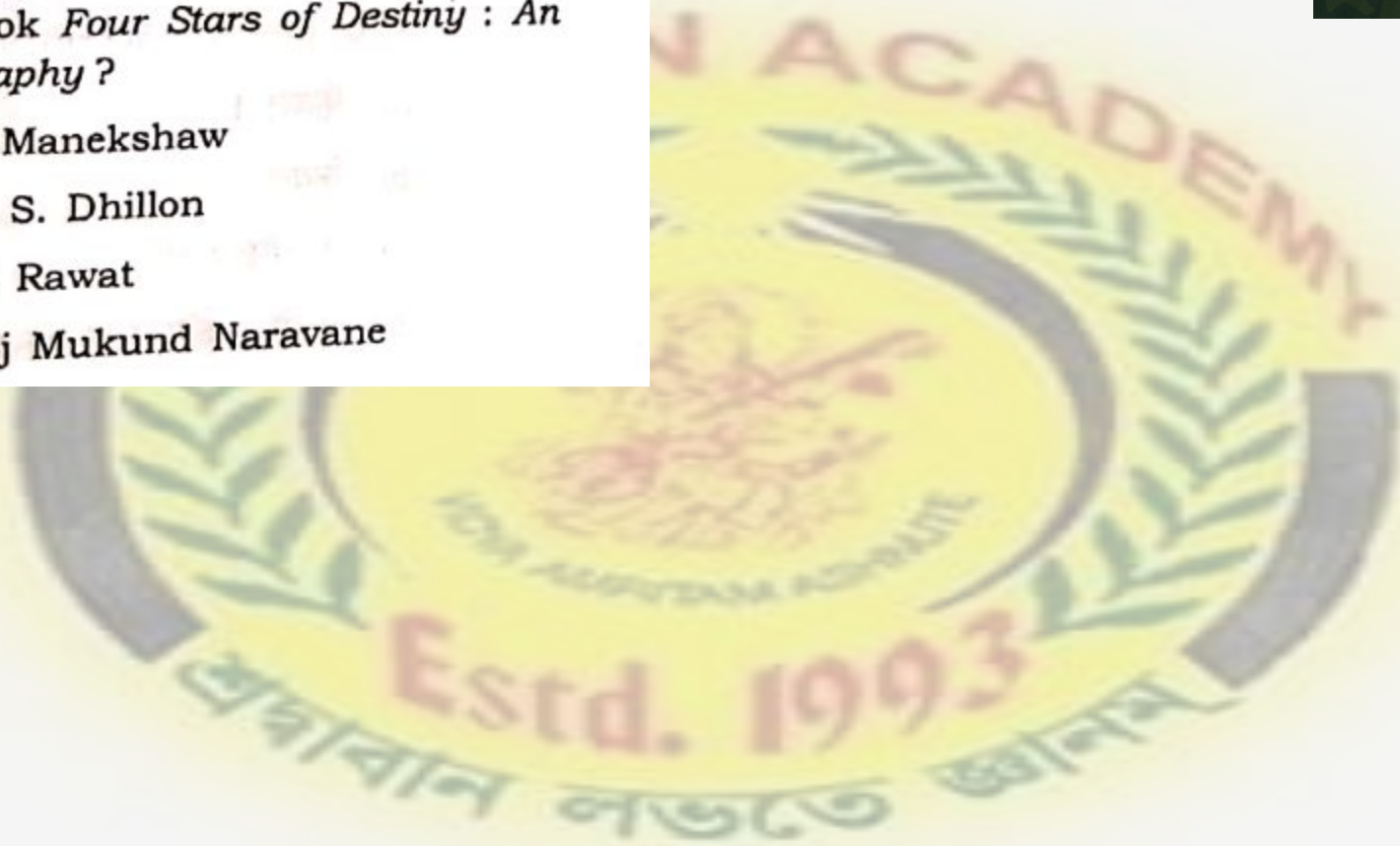
- (a) Varanasi and Prayagraj
- (b) Indore and Surat
- (c) Prayagraj and Indore
- (d) Surat and Varanasi

Who won the Swachh Survekshan Awards?

Synopsis. **Indore and Surat** have been awarded with the prestigious 'cleanest cities' of the 2023 title! Indian President Draupadi Murmu presented the Swachh Survekshan Awards on Thursday, declaring the two cities as the joint cleanest cities in the country. 11 Jan 2024

Who among the following is the author of the book *Four Stars of Destiny : An Autobiography* ?

- (a) Sam Manekshaw
- (b) K. J. S. Dhillon
- (c) Bipin Rawat
- (d) Manoj Mukund Naravane



With which one among the following sports is Yogesh Singh, who won a Gold Medal in an Asian Championship in 2024, associated?

- (a) Badminton
- (b) Shooting
- (c) Archery
- (d) Wrestling

India's Yogesh Singh won a gold medal in the men's 25m standard pistol event at the Asian Shooting Championships 2024 in Jakarta, Indonesia on Sunday. Competing in a 20-shooter field in the non-Olympic shooting discipline, Yogesh Singh shot an impressive 572 to claim the top prize. 14 Jan 2024



Which of the following statements about the ICC under-19 Men's Cricket World Cup, 2024 is/are correct?

1. Australia won this title for the 4th time.
2. It was organised in South Africa.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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



Which of the following statements with regard to Bharat Ratna Award is/are correct?

1. It was instituted in the year 1972.
2. The award does not carry any monetary grant.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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



- The recipients receive a Sanad (certificate) signed by the President and a peepal leaf-shaped medallion with no monetary grant associated with the award.
- Bharat Ratna recipients rank seventh in the Indian order of precedence.
- There is no formal provision that recipients of the Bharat Ratna should be Indian citizens.
- It has been conferred on one naturalized citizen, Mother Teresa, and on two non-Indians: Abdul Ghaffar Khan (born in British India and later a citizen of Pakistan) and Nelson Mandela, a citizen of South Africa.

Consider the following Women's Associations and their important associates in early twentieth century India :

1. Women's Indian Association of 1917 : Margaret Cousins
2. National Council of Women in India of 1925 : Sarala Devi Chaudhurani
3. Bharat Stree Mahamandal of 1910 : Lady Meherbai Tata

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched ?

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

The Women's Indian Association (WIA) was founded at Adayar, Madras, in 1917 by Annie Besant, Margaret Cousins, Dorothy Jinarajadasa, and others to liberate women from the deplorable condition women suffered in socio-economic and political matters during the 19th and the early 20th century.

Bharat Stree
Mahamandal



Bharat Stree Mahamandal was a women's organisation in India founded by Sarala Devi Chaudhurani in Prayagraj in 1910. One of the primary goals of the organisation was to promote female education, which at that time was not well developed.

[Wikipedia](#)

Founder: Sarala Devi Chaudhurani

Founded: 1910

Consider the following statements about the issue of separate electorate during the early decades of the twentieth century in India as a means to secure adequate representation for the deprived social categories in the absence of universal adult franchise :

1. The All India Depressed Classes Association of M.C. Rajah was staunchly in favour of joint electorate.
2. The All India Depressed Classes Leaders' Conference demanded separate electorate.
3. The Communal Award in September 1932 recognised the right to separate electorate for the 'untouchables'.

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



Exercise Desert Cyclone is a joint military exercise between India and :

- (a) Kuwait
- (b) Saudi Arabia
- (c) United Arab Emirates
- (d) Oman

- SURYA KIRAN (India-Nepal): Held in Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand.
- VINBAX (India-Vietnam): Held in Hanoi, Vietnam.
- **DESERT** CYCLONE (India-UAE): Held in Mahajan, Rajasthan.
- CYCLONE (India-Egypt): Held in Anshas, Egypt.
- KHANJAR (India-Kyrgyzstan): Held in Bakloh, Himachal Pradesh.
- SADA TANSEEQ (India-Saudi Arabia): Held in Mahajan, Rajasthan.
- DHARMA GUARDIAN (India-Japan): Held in Mahajan Field Firing Ranges, Rajasthan.
- LAMITIYE (India-Seychelles): Held in Seychelles.

Which of the following statements with regard to the constitution of Finance Commission is/are correct ?

1. The Government of India has recently constituted the Sixteenth Finance Commission under the Chairmanship of Dr. Arvind Panagariya.
2. Finance Commission is constituted in pursuance to Article 263 of the Constitution of India.

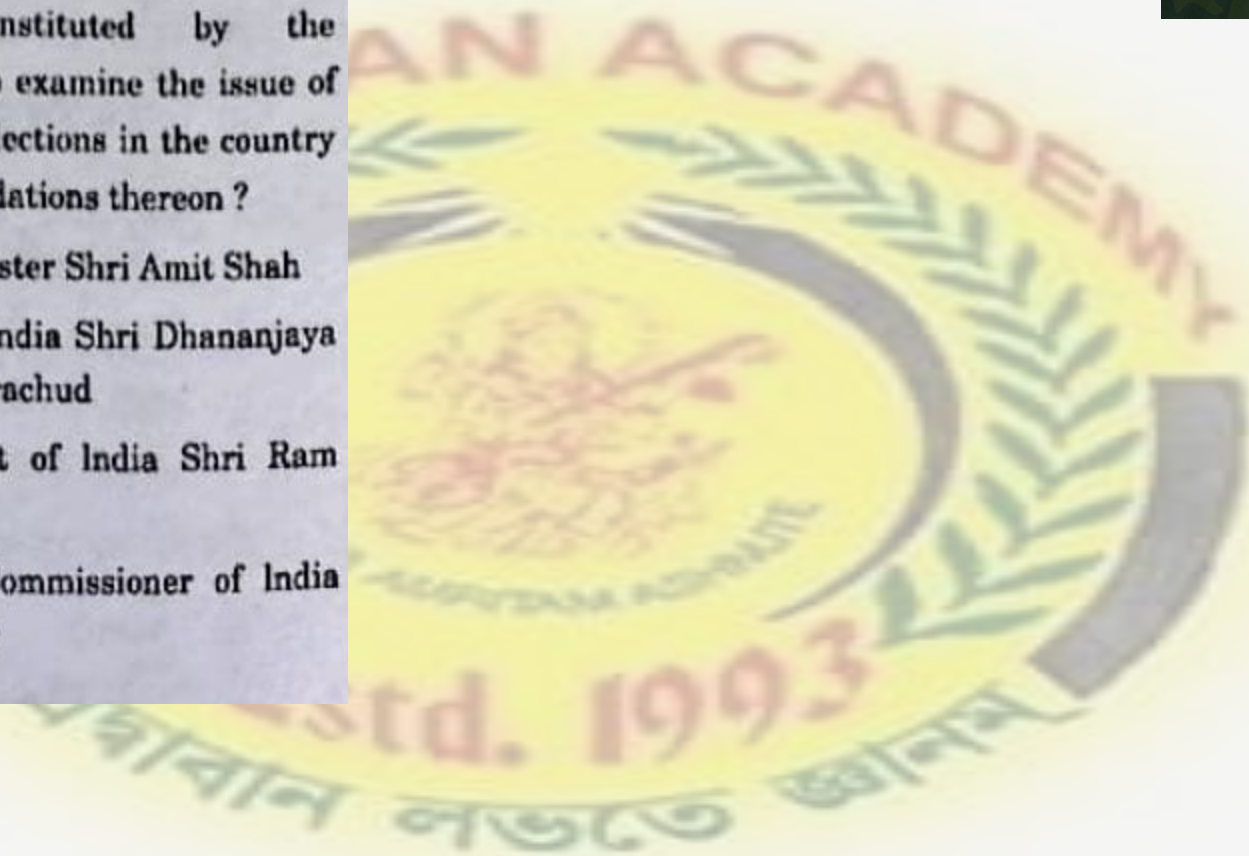
Select the answer using the code given below :

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



Who among the following is the Chairman of the Committee constituted by the Government of India to examine the issue of holding simultaneous elections in the country and to make recommendations thereon ?

- (a) Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah
- (b) Chief Justice of India Shri Dhananjaya Yeshwant Chandrachud
- (c) Former President of India Shri Ram Nath Kovind
- (d) Chief Election Commissioner of India Shri Rajiv Kumar



In January 2024, India's first all-girls' Sainik School was inaugurated at :

- (a) Bhopal
- (b) Kohima
- (c) Vrindavan
- (d) Namsai

In February 2024, Government of India has decided to scrap the Free Movement Regime (FMR) between India and :

- (a) Myanmar
- (b) Bhutan
- (c) Bangladesh
- (d) Nepal

Who among the following is the author of the book *Why Bharat Matters* ?

- (a) L.K. Advani
- (b) S. Jaishankar
- (c) Mohan Bhagwat
- (d) Pranab Mukherjee

The first-ever all-girls Sainik School was inaugurated in Vrindavan, Uttar Pradesh. The **Samvid Gurukulam Girls Sainik School** is located in Vatsalya Gram Parisar and offers a CBSE curriculum with military training. Admission is through a written test and e-counselling. 9 Jan 2024

Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has decided to scrap the Free Movement Regime (FMR) between India and Myanmar to ensure the internal security of the country and to maintain the demographic structure of India's North Eastern States bordering Myanmar. 8 Feb 2024



Which of the following statements regarding humidity is/are correct ?

1. It is a ratio between the actual amount of water vapour present in the atmosphere and the maximum amount it can hold at a given temperature.
2. When the relative humidity is high, more water evaporates from the skin.
3. Higher the air temperature lower the relative humidity of the air.

Select the answer using the code given below :

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



Identify the sea-port in India on the basis of the given characteristics :

1. It is more than a century old port on the west coast of India.
2. It is a natural harbour protected by a breakwater and also by a mole.
3. A deep draft channel of about 14 metres depth permits large vessels to enter the harbour.

Select the correct sea-port from the options given below :

- (a) Mormugao Port
- (b) Deendayal Port
- (c) Cochin Port
- (d) Jawaharlal Nehru Port

75. Which of the following statements regarding Earth's internal structure is/are correct ?

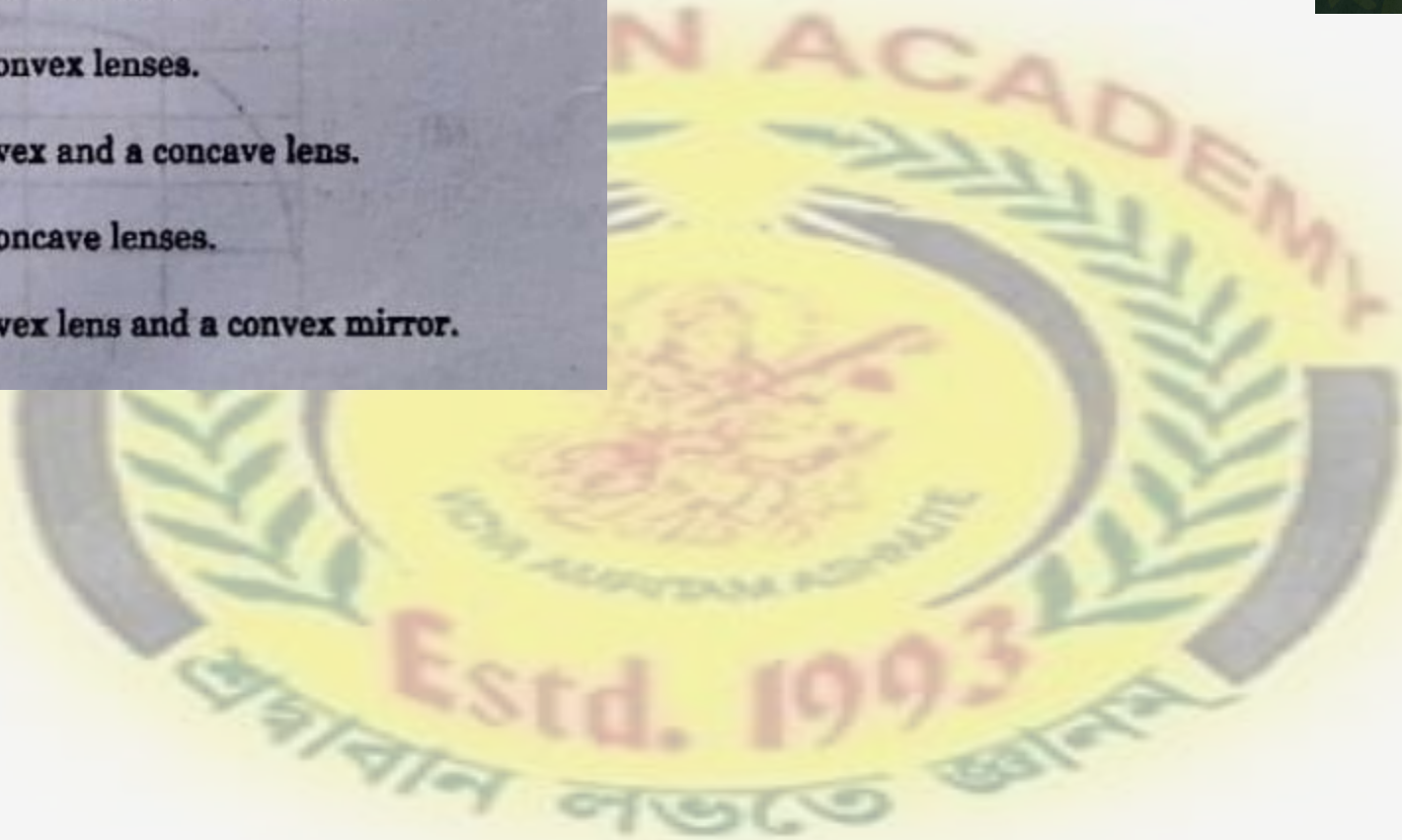
1. The oceanic crust is heavier than the continental crust.
2. Most of the Earth's internal heat is contained within the mantle.
3. Large convective cells in the crust circulate heat and drive plate-tectonic processes.

Select the answer using the code given below :

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

A microscope may be a combination of :

- (a) two convex lenses.
- (b) a convex and a concave lens.
- (c) two concave lenses.
- (d) a convex lens and a convex mirror.



Which of the following statements regarding cyclones and anti-cyclones is/are correct ?

1. In the Northern Hemisphere, cyclones rotate counter clockwise and anticyclones rotate clockwise.
2. Cyclones are often associated with cloudy or rainy weather, whereas anticyclones are often associated with fair weather.
3. In the Southern Hemisphere, the cyclonic spiral will be clockwise because the Coriolis force acts to the left.

Select the answer using the code given below :

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



Identify the land biome on the basis of the given characteristics :

1. Their climates are characterised by high rainfall and temperatures that vary from cold to mild.
2. These forests contain primarily deciduous trees – including maple, oak, hickory and beechwood.
3. Raccoons, opossums, bats and squirrels are found in the trees.

Select the correct land biome from the options given below :

- (a) Tropical forest
- (b) Temperate forest
- (c) Boreal forest
- (d) Mediterranean forest



Which one of the following scientists mentioned that an electron in an atom could revolve in certain stable orbits without the emission of radiant energy ?

- (a) Ernest Rutherford
- (b) J.J. Thomson
- (c) Niels Bohr
- (d) Albert Einstein



Under Article 371A of the Constitution of India, with respect to which of the following item(s) the Acts of the Parliament of India shall *not* apply to the State of Nagaland, unless the Legislative Assembly of the State of Nagaland by a resolution so decides ?

1. Religious or social practices of Nagas
2. Naga customary law and procedure
3. Ownership and transfer of land and its resources
4. Boundaries of Nagaland with other states

Select the answer using the code given below :

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



Under Article 191 of the Constitution of India, a person shall be disqualified for being chosen as, and for being, a member of the Legislative Assembly or Legislative Council of a state if the person holds any office of profit under :

1. the Government of India.
2. any State Government.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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



Consider the following
UN Declarations/Covenants :

1. Universal Declaration of Human Rights
2. Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women
3. International Covenant of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
4. Convention on Refugees

Which one of the following is the correct chronological order (starting with the earliest) of the above ?

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

Which one of the following statements regarding the objectives of the Second Five-Year Plan is **not** correct ?

- (a) Development of the basic and heavy industry sector
- (b) Increase in national income to raise living standards
- (c) Expansion of the consumer goods sector
- (d) Expansion of employment opportunities

➤ **Five-Year Plans:**

- First Five-Year Plan (1951) based on Harrod Domar Model.
- Annual Plan period from 1966-67 to 1968-69.
- "Garibi Hatao" slogan introduced in the 5th Five-Year Plan.
- India opted for a mixed economy during the 2nd Five-Year Plan.
- Plan holiday declared after the third Five-Year Plan.
- Jawahar Rojgar Yojana launched in the 7th Five-Year Plan.

- "Growth with Stability" objective launched during the 4th Five-Year Plan.
- "Hindu Growth Rate" refers to the low growth rate of the Indian economy from the 50s to the 80s.

Plan	Years	Model	Main Objective	Target Growth Rate	Achieved Growth Rate
Five-Year Plan	1951-56	Harrod-Domar	Development of Agriculture	2.1%	3.6%
2nd Five-Year Plan	1956-61	<u>Mahalanobis</u>	Rapid Industrialization	4.5%	4.27%
3rd Five-Year Plan	1961-66	John Sand & S <u>Chakrawarty</u>	Self-reliant and self-sustained economy	5.6%	2.4%
Plan Holidays	1966-69	Annual Plans	-	-	-

Which one among the following is present in the nettle leaf hairs that causes burning pain ?

- (a) Methanoic acid
- (b) Ethanoic acid
- (c) Benzoic acid
- (d) Acetic acid

Which one among the following is known as Milk of Magnesia ?

- (a) Magnesium bicarbonate
- (b) Magnesium carbonate
- (c) Magnesium sulphate
- (d) Magnesium hydroxide

Soap with water forms :

- (a) Metallotropic liquid crystal
- (b) Thermotropic liquid crystal
- (c) Homogeneous solution
- (d) Lyotropic liquid crystal



Consider the following events :

1. Launch of Non-Cooperation Movement
2. All-India Khilafat Conference in Delhi
3. Passing of the Rowlatt Act
4. Jallianwala Bagh incident

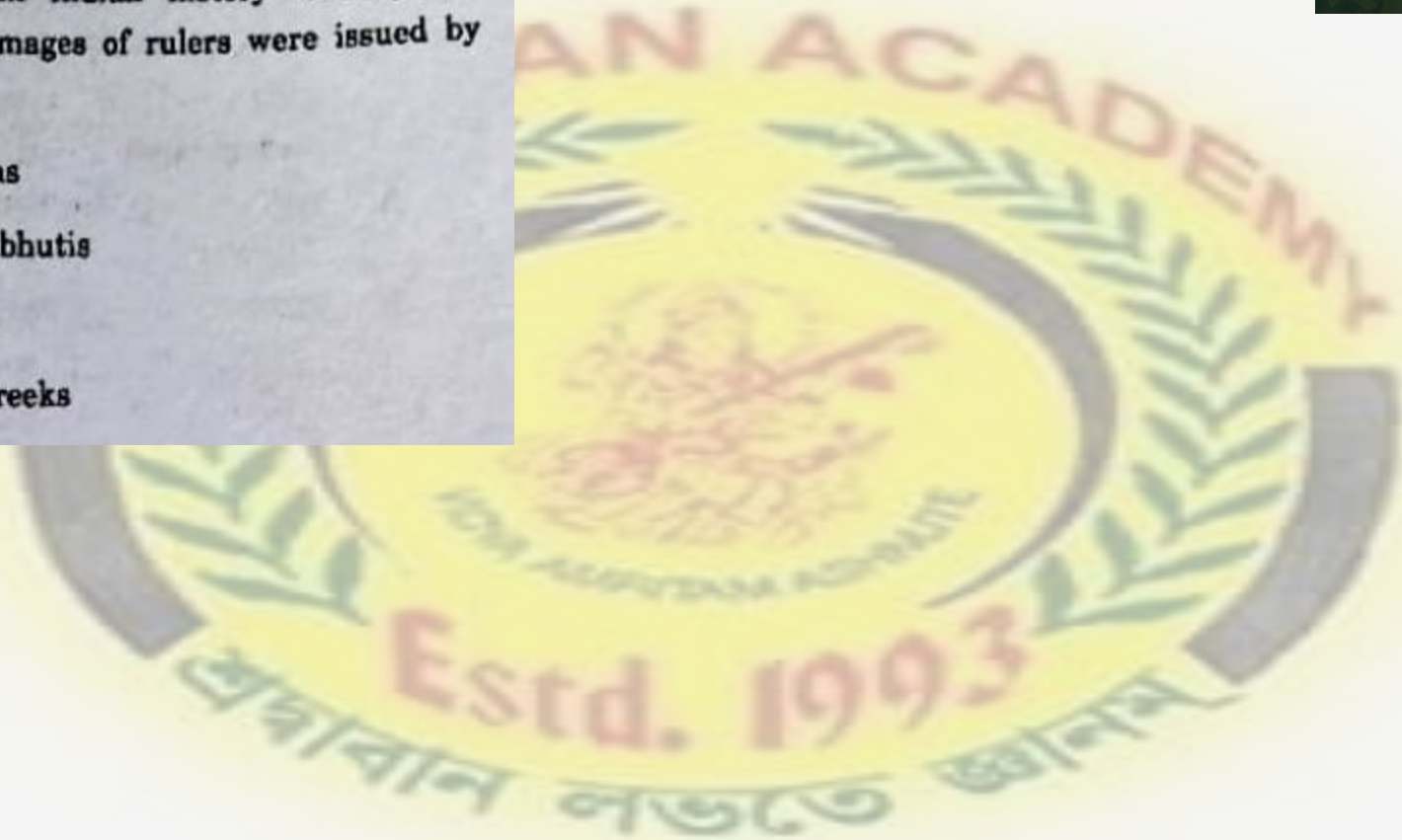
Which one of the following is the correct chronological order of the given events (earliest to latest) ?

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



First coins in Indian history bearing the names and images of rulers were issued by the :

- (a) Mauryas
- (b) Pushyabhutis
- (c) Guptas
- (d) Indo-Greeks



Which of the following statements regarding 'aurora' is/are correct ?

1. The solar wind upon reaching the Earth's atmosphere is directed towards two magnetic poles and a colourful display of lights is seen in the night sky.
2. The particles interact with the different gases of the atmosphere and each gas glows with a particular colour.
3. In April 2023, aurora was captured in the night sky in India by the Indian Astronomical Observatory at Hanle, Ladakh.

Select the answer using the code given below :

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



Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists :

<i>List-I</i> (Allotrope of Carbon)	<i>List-II</i> (Property)
A. Graphite	1. Thinnest and strongest material
B. Diamond	2. Hardest natural substance
C. Fullerene	3. Very light and strong material
D. Graphene	4. Soft and slippery material

Code :

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



Consider the following statements regarding the International Date Line :

1. It is roughly 180° meridian, which deviates slightly East and West to avoid land areas surrounded by the Atlantic Ocean.
2. The date to the East of this line is (24 hours) earlier than to the West.

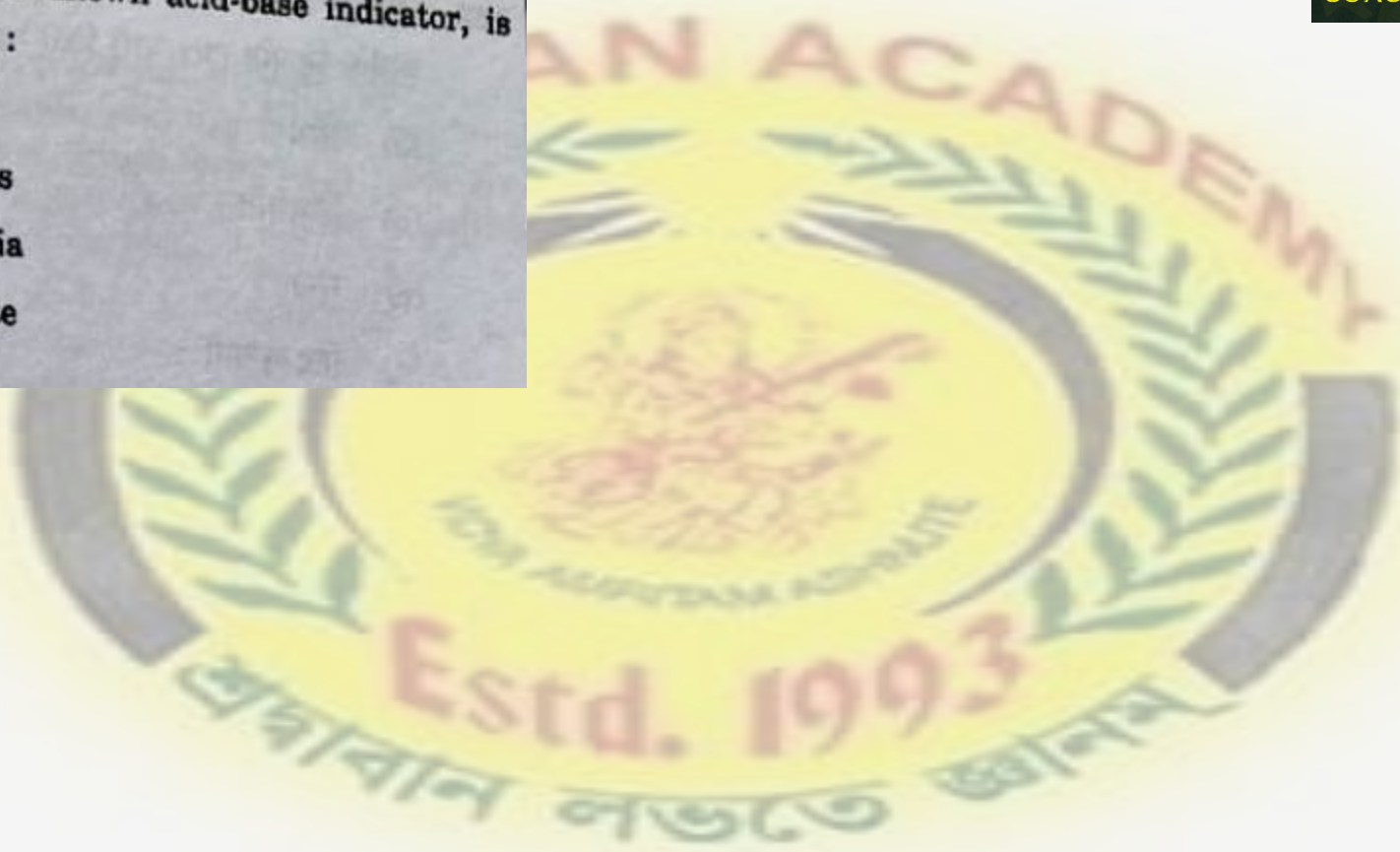
Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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



Litmus, a well-known acid-base indicator, is derived from :

- (a) Fungi
- (b) Lichens
- (c) Bacteria
- (d) Termite



LIGO experiment confirmed one of the predictions of :

- (a) String theory
- (b) Special theory of relativity
- (c) Quantum mechanics
- (d) General theory of relativity

