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GENERAL STUDIES

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INSTRUCTIONS

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1 Consider the following statements regarding democracy

1. A direct democracy is one where the citizens directly participate in the day-to-day decision making and in the running of the government.

2. Many consider gram sabhas to be the closest examples of direct democracy. 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

2. Consider the following statements regarding Executive

1. Executive is the branch of government responsible for the implementation of laws and policies adopted by the legislature.

2. The executive is often involved in framing of policy. Which of the statements given above is correct ?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

3. Consider the following statements about the Notified Area Committee:

1. It is a partially elected and partially nominated body created for the administration of a fast-developing town.

2. The Chairperson of the committee is elected by the members among themselves.

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

4. The term 'Project 75I' sometimes mentioned in the news, is related to:

- (a) Engagement with Central Asian Countries for mineral exploration through joint partnerships.
- (b) Program to mark 75th year of Indian independence in 2021.
- (c) Acquisition of diesel-electric submarines by Indian Navy.
- (d) Creation of a specialised force to fight against 75 Left Wing Extremism affected districts.

5. Find which statement is not correct about the Prime minister of India ?

- (a) He advises the President with regard to summoning and proroguing of the sessions of the Parliament.
- (b) He can recommend dissolution of the Lok Sabha to President at any time.
- (c) He is the principal channel of communication between the President and the Speaker of the Lok Sabha.
- (d) He can ask a minister to resign or advise the President to dismiss him in case of difference of opinion.

6. The Blue -Finned Mahseer , which was on the International Union for Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) red list as 'endangered', has now moved to the 'least concern' status. In this context consider the following statements regarding mahseer:

- 1. They prefer clean and fast flowing waters.
- 2. They are only found in Himalayan waters in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
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7. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the Vice-President of India?
1. A formal impeachment is not required for his removal.
 2. He can be removed by a resolution of the Rajya Sabha passed by a majority of all the then members of the House and agreed to by the Lok Sabha.
 3. No Ground has been mentioned in the Constitution for his removal.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 2 only
(b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 1, 2 and 3
(d) 1 only
8. Consider the following statements with reference to the Central Council of Ministers:
1. A nominated member can be appointed as minister, but within six months he must become an elected member of either House of Parliament.
 2. A minister who is a member of one House of Parliament has the right to speak and to take part in the proceedings of the other House.
 3. The salaries and allowances of ministers are given in the Second Schedule of the Indian Constitution.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1, 2 and 3
(b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 2 only
(d) 1 and 2 only
9. The new species named Pyrostria Laljii has been discovered from which part of India recently?
- (a) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
 - (b) Lakshadweep islands
 - (c) Andhra Pradesh
 - (d) Karnataka
10. Consider the following statements regarding the Panchayats (Extension to the Scheduled Areas) Act, 1996:
1. It extended the provisions related to panchayats to the tribal and scheduled areas covered by the 5th and 6th schedules.
 2. It aims to safeguard and preserve the customs and traditions of the tribal communities.
 3. Its objective is to provide self-rule for the bulk of the tribal population.
- Which of the statements given above is/are **not** correct?
- (a) 1 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3
11. Consider the following statements with reference to double membership of the Parliament:
1. A person elected to both the Houses of Parliament, must intimate within 10 days in which House she desires to serve or her seat in Rajya Sabha becomes vacant.
 2. A sitting member of one House if elected to other House, his/her seat in the first House becomes vacant.
 3. A person elected to two seats in a House must exercise her option for one, otherwise, both seats become vacant.
- 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) 3 only

- 12.** Arrange the following stages in the enactment of a regular budget in the correct chronological order.
1. Presentation of budget
 2. Discussion on the budget
 3. Voting on demands for grants
 4. Passing of appropriation bill
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 3-2-1-4
 - (b) 4-1-2-3
 - (c) 1-2-3-4
 - (d) 1-2-4-3
- 13.** Which of the following funds are managed by the Prime Minister's Office?
1. Prime Minister National Relief Fund (PMNRF)
 2. National Defence Fund (NDF)
 3. National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF)
 4. National Investment Fund (NIF)
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
 - (b) 3 and 4 only
 - (c) 1 and 2 only
 - (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 14.** Consider the following statements with reference to the powers of the Parliament:
1. It can punish persons, including its members, for breach of privilege or contempt of the House.
 2. It can recommend for the removal of the Comptroller and Auditor General to the President.
 3. It can entirely exclude judicial review of legislations by placing them under the ninth schedule.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) 1 and 3 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 2 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 15.** Consider the following statements regarding Quorum in the parliament:
1. It is fixed at 20% by the rules of procedure of the respective houses.
 2. It can be amended by the Parliament by a simple majority.
 3. It includes the presiding officer of the House.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 16.** Which of the following statements about the National Investigation Agency (NIA) is/are correct?
1. It reports directly to the Prime Minister's Office (PMO).
 2. It has the power to investigate offences committed outside India.
 3. State governments may transfer cases to NIA after prior approval of the Central Government.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 17.** Consider the following statements regarding State Legislative Councils:
1. The creation and abolition of state legislative councils is done by their respective state assemblies.
 2. The passing of the resolution for the creation of a legislative council requires special majority in the state assembly of the concerned state.
- 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

18. This committee considers the matters of procedure and conduct of business in the House and recommends necessary amendments or additions to the rules of the House. Speaker is the ex-officio chairman of this committee in Lok Sabha and Chairman is the ex-officio chairman of this committee in Rajya Sabha.
- Which of the following committees is being described in the passage given above?
- (a) General Purposes Committee
 - (b) Rules Committee
 - (c) Business Advisory Committee
 - (d) Committee on Government Assurances
19. The President can be removed from office by a process of impeachment for ‘violation of the Constitution’. In this context, which of the following statements is *not* correct?
- (a) The Constitution does not define the meaning of the phrase ‘violation of the Constitution’.
 - (b) The impeachment charges can be initiated by either House of Parliament.
 - (c) The nominated members of either House of Parliament can participate in impeachment process.
 - (d) The impeachment resolution should be passed by a majority of two-thirds of the total members present and voting.
20. 'Jivan Vayu' recently seen in the news, is a/an:
- (a) device capable of delivering high flow oxygen to patients.
 - (b) program launched by armed forces to distribute oxygen.
 - (c) initiative of the Central Pollution Control Board to curb pollutants from vehicles.
 - (d) plantation drive as a part of 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahaotsav'.
21. Recently, Kandla SEZ (Special Economic Zone) became the first green SEZ to achieve the Indian Green Building Council's (IGBC) Green Cities Platinum Rating. In this context, consider the following statements regarding Indian Green Building Council:
- 1. It is a statutory body under the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
 - 2. It is an established member of the World Green Building Council.
- 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
22. Recently, Dehing Patkai has been notified as the seventh National Park (NP) of the state. It is also referred as ‘The Amazon of East’. This National Park is located in:
- (a) Meghalaya
 - (b) Mizoram
 - (c) Assam
 - (d) Nagaland
23. Which of the following statements is *not* correct about the Governor?
- (a) The Constitution provides for the appointment of the same person as Governor for two or more states.
 - (b) He holds office during the pleasure of the President.
 - (c) The term of 5 years of office of Governor is mentioned in the Constitution.
 - (d) He should be qualified for election as a member of the state legislative assembly.

- 24.** As per the constitution of India, which of the following statements is correct about the President of India?
- He should be qualified for election as a member of the Rajya Sabha.
 - His election is held in accordance with the system of proportional representation and the voting is by open ballot.
 - A person can be elected as the President for any number of terms.
 - The oath of office to the President is administered by the Vice-President.
- 25.** World Giving Index is released by:
- Charities Aid Foundation
 - Amnesty International
 - United Nations Children's Fund
 - GreenPeace International
- 26.** With regards to the Chief Secretary of the state, consider the following statements:
- He is the chief advisor to the Chief Minister in all the matters of the cabinet.
 - He cannot be removed from the office until the completion of his 2 years tenure.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
- 27.** Which of the following provisions in the Part XVIII of Indian Constitution was/were added by the 44th Amendment Act of Indian Constitution?
- Written recommendation from Cabinet for National Emergency.
 - Periodic Parliamentary approval of National Emergency for extension.
 - 'Armed rebellion' as one of the grounds for imposing National Emergency.
- Select the correct answers using the code given below:
- 1, 2 and 3
 - 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
- 28.** Article 253 of the Indian constitution provides for the establishment of Inter state council. Which of the following is *not* a member of the Inter-State Council?
- Prime Minister
 - Chief Ministers
 - Lt. Governors of Union Territories having a Legislative Assembly
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 3 only
 - None
- 29.** Consider the following pairs:
- | <i>Type of Cut Motion</i> | <i>Action</i> |
|---------------------------|--|
| 1. Policy Cut Motion | : The amount of the demand be reduced to Re.1/- |
| 2. Economy Cut Motion | : The amount of the demand be reduced by a specified amount. |
| 3. Token Cut Motion | : The amount of the demand be reduced by Rs.100/- |
- Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
 - 1 and 3 only
- 30.** Consider the following statements about the Central Council of Ministers:
- The Constitution does not classify categories of the council of Ministers.
 - The total number of ministers, including the Prime Minister, in the Council of Ministers, shall not exceed 15% of the total strength of the Parliament.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2

- 31.** Recently NASA has selected two missions named DAVINCI+ and VERITAS. In the context of these missions consider the following statements:
1. NASA has selected both missions to explore Venus.
 2. The missions are part of NASA's Discovery Program.
- 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
- 32.** Consider the following statements with reference to the veto power of the President:
1. The Qualified veto is not available to the President of India.
 2. The President has no veto power in respect of a Constitutional Amendment bill.
 3. The President does not possess a suspensive veto in the case of money bills.
- 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
- 33.** Consider the following pairs with respect to the parliamentary proceedings in India:
- | Proceeding | Description |
|-------------------------|---|
| 1. Adjournment | : It suspends the work in a sitting for a specified time |
| 2. Prorogation | : It not only terminates a sitting but also a session of the House |
| 3. Adjournment sine die | : It terminates a sitting of the Parliament for an indefinite period. |
- Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- (a) 2 only
 - (b) 1 and 3 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 34.** Which of the following varieties of mango have been accorded Geographical Indication tag?
1. Khirsapati
 2. Lakshmanbhog
 3. Chausa
 4. Zardalu
 5. Alphonso
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1, 2, 4 and 5 only
 - (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
 - (c) 1 and 5 only
 - (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
- 35.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with regards to the Panchayats?
1. Elections to constitute panchayat shall be completed before the expiry of its duration of 5 years.
 2. In case of premature dissolution new panchayat remains in the office only for the remaining period.
 3. It shall not be necessary to hold elections if the remaining period for dissolved panchayat is less than 6 months.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 36.** In which of the following parameters, Minister of State and Cabinet Ministers are equivalent in stature?
1. Oath
 2. Removal
 3. Accountability to Lok Sabha
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1, 2 and 3
 - (b) 1 and 2 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 2 only

- 37.** Recently the OPEC+ nations reached an agreement over oil production level for their member nations. Which of the following countries is **not** a member of OPEC+?
- Iran
 - Congo
 - Venezuela
 - Peru
- 38.** Consider the following statements about the reservation of seats for Scheduled Caste (SCs) and Scheduled Tribes (STs) in the Panchayati Raj Institution:
- Not less than one-third of the total number of seats reserved for SC/ST shall be reserved for women belonging to the respective community.
 - Reservation for SC and STs extends to the position of Chairperson at all three levels.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
- 39.** Consider the following statements about the pardoning power of the President:
- The President while exercising this power, function as a court of appeal.
 - The President while exercising this power can act on his discretion.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
- 40.** Which of the following fields for the nomination of members to Rajya Sabha by President are mentioned in the Indian Constitution?
- Literature
 - Art
 - Sports
 - Social Service
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- 1, 3 and 4 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1, 2, 3 and 4
 - 1, 2 and 4 only
- 41.** India's GDP growth forecast for the year 2021 was slashed in the latest World Economic Outlook report. In this context, consider the following statements regarding the World Economic Outlook report:
- It is released by International Monetary Fund (IMF).
 - It is usually published twice a year.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
- 42.** Which of the following statements are **not** correct regarding the composition of State Assembly?
- The minimum and maximum strength of assembly is fixed at 60 and 500 respectively, for all states.
 - The Governor can nominate two members from Anglo-Indian community.
 - The Constitution provides for the reservation of women in the assembly of each state.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- 1, 2 and 3
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 1 and 2 only

- 43.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to “Full Faith and Credit” clause related to Public Acts, Records and Judicial proceedings?
1. The term ‘public acts’ includes only legislative acts of the Government.
 2. The judgements of civil courts in any part of India are capable of execution anywhere within India.
 3. It mandates the courts of a state to enforce the penal laws of another state.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 2 and 3 only
 - (b) 1 and 3 only
 - (c) 2 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 44.** Consider the following statements:
1. ‘Extra-territorial’ legislation can only be made by the Parliament of India.
 2. The power to make laws with respect to residuary matters lies with the Parliament of India.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 45.** Which of the following bills do not lapse on the dissolution of the Lok Sabha?
1. A bill pending in the Rajya Sabha but not passed by the Lok Sabha.
 2. A bill pending in the Rajya Sabha but passed by the Lok Sabha.
 3. A bill passed by both Houses but returned by the President for reconsideration of Houses.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 1 and 3 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 46.** In a recent case before Madras High Court, it was held that National Green Tribunal (NGT), Delhi Bench is not superior to other zonal benches of NGT. In this context, NGT does *not* have a zonal bench at which of the following places?
- (a) Mumbai
 - (b) Bhopal
 - (c) Chennai
 - (d) Kolkata
- 47.** In the context of urban local self-government, with respect to the post of Mayors in India consider the following statements:
1. He is the executive and legislative head of the Municipal Corporation.
 2. He does not have any fixed term of office.
 3. He is elected indirectly in all the states.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3 only
- 48.** Green Sohra Afforestation Campaign has been launched recently as part of afforestation efforts to keep Northeast Evergreen. In this context, Sohra which is one of the wettest places in India is located in the state of
- (a) Assam
 - (b) Meghalaya
 - (c) Manipur
 - (d) Arunachal Pradesh
- 49.** The term 'Local Authority' implies:
1. It must have Separate legal existence.
 2. It must function in a defined area.
 3. It must have the power to raise funds.
 4. It must be elected fully or partially.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 4 only
 - (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

- 50.** Consider the following statements with respect to individual privileges of a member of the Parliament:
1. They cannot be arrested during the session and 40 days before and 40 days after the session for civil cases only.
 2. They are exempted from jury service only when Parliament is in session.
 3. They cannot be questioned in any court for what they say in Parliamentary committees.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 3 only
 - (b) 3 only
 - (c) 2 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 51.** Which of the following offices enjoy parliamentary privileges?
1. The President of India
 2. All members of both the Houses of Parliament
 3. A minister who is not a member of Parliament
 4. The Attorney General of India
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1, 3 and 4 only
 - (b) 1, 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 2, 3 and 4 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 4 only
- 52.** Consider the following statements about revenue generation/income of urban local bodies:
1. They receive grants from the Centre as well as State Governments for developmental programmes.
 2. The devolution of funds from state governments to urban local bodies based on the recommendation of the State Finance Commission.
 3. They can borrow from financial institutions with the prior approval of the Governor.
- 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
- 53.** Consider the following statements:
1. The discretionary grants under Article 282 are given to the states on the recommendation of Comptroller and Auditor General of India.
 2. The statutory grants under Article 275 are given to the states on the recommendation of the Finance Commission.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 54.** Consider the following statements regarding laws made under the 73rd Constitutional Amendment Act, 1992:
1. Parliament may by law extend the provisions of this act to the Tribal areas.
 2. Such laws shall not be deemed to be a constitutional amendment under article 368.
- 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
- 55.** Consider the following statements about the Vice-President of India:
1. He can hold office beyond his term of five years until his successor assumes charge.
 2. He takes an oath to preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of India.
 3. He can resign from his office by writing to the Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 2 only
 - (b) 1 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 2 only
 - (d) 1 only

- 56.** Consider the following statements about the provisions of the 74th Constitutional Amendment Act, 1992:
1. It is applicable to the Union territories only on the recommendations of the President.
 2. Governor may specify District Planning committee to consult any such organization for preparing developmental plans.
- 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
- 57.** Consider the following statements regarding the borrowing powers of the Centre and states in India:
1. Union Government can borrow from within India and abroad, subject to the limit set by the Parliament of India.
 2. State Governments can borrow within India upon the guarantees of the Consolidated Fund of the State.
- 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
- 58.** Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued an advisory to banks and other financial institutions for the transition from London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) by December 2021 to any widely accepted alternative reference rate. What is LIBOR?
- (a) Rate at which European banks sell foreign currencies to its customers.
 - (b) Rate at which world's leading banks lend money to Corporates.
 - (c) Rate at which world's leading banks charge each other for short-term loans.
 - (d) None of the above
- 59.** Consider the following statements with reference to the Parliament of India:
1. President is an ex-officio member of both the houses of the Parliament of India.
 2. President has the right to address and send messages to either house of the Parliament on any matter or bill pending.
 3. Both the houses of the Parliament can be summoned and pro-rogued by the President.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) 1 and 3 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1, 2 and 3
 - (d) 1 and 2 only
- 60.** *This commission was set up in June 1983 to examine the relationship and balance of power between state and central governments and suggest changes within the framework of the Constitution. It recommended that the Centre should consult the states before making a law on a subject of the concurrent list and a State's consent should be made obligatory for formation of new states. It also suggested that the Institution of All-India Services should be strengthened more.*
- Which of the following commissions/committees is best described by the passage given above.
- (a) Liberhan Commission
 - (b) Sarkaria Commission
 - (c) Punchhi Commission
 - (d) Shah Commission
- 61.** A Supplementary Grant is granted:
- (a) when a need has arisen during the current financial year for additional expenditure upon some new service not contemplated in the budget.
 - (b) when the amount authorized by the Parliament in the budget for a particular service during a financial year is found to be insufficient for that year.
 - (c) for a special purpose and forms no part of the current service of any financial year.
 - (d) None

- 62.** What is ‘Indrajaal’, sometimes seen in the news?
- It is India’s first indigenous drone defense dome.
 - A project launched for artificial rain through cloud seeding in Bundelkhand region.
 - A traditional rainwater harvesting technique in the Thar desert.
 - Artificial intelligence-powered high-performance supercomputer developed in India for cyclone prediction.
- 63.** Consider the following statements with reference to the Speaker of the Lok Sabha:
- She summons and presides over the joint sitting of the two Houses of the Parliament.
 - She can allow a ‘secret’ sitting of the House at the request of the Leader of the House.
 - She is the Chairman of the Business Advisory Committee and Rules Committee.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 2 only
 - 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
- 64.** Consider the following statements:
- A minister who is not a member of either House, cannot participate in a joint sitting of both the Houses.
 - A minister belonging to the Lok Sabha can participate in the proceedings of Rajya Sabha without being entitled to vote.
 - The attorney general of India can speak and take part in the proceedings of either house but not in a joint sitting of both the Houses.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 and 3 only
 - 2 only
 - 1 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
- 65.** With reference to the Jiyo Parsi scheme, consider the following statements:
- It is a Central Sector Scheme under the Ministry of Minority Affairs.
 - The scheme is meant for only the Parsi community.
 - Its main objective is to arrest the declining trend of the Parsi population by adopting a scientific protocol and structured interventions.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
- 66.** With regard to the Special Purpose Agencies in urban governance, which of the following statements is/are correct?
- These are private entities working with government bodies.
 - These are created as a function-based agency rather than area-based.
 - These agencies act as subordinate agencies of local municipal bodies.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- 1 and 2 only
 - 2 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
- 67.** Who among the following is the Chairman of The Indian Atomic Energy Commission (AEC)?
- Prime Minister of India
 - Secretary to the Government of India in department of science and technology
 - Secretary to the Government of India in the Department of Atomic Energy
 - Union minister of Ministry of Science and Technology & Earth Sciences

- 68.** Consider the following statements:
- Digital Media Content Regulatory Council is set up as per the mandate of the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021.
 - Over the Top (OTT) platforms and news and current affairs content on online platforms come under the regulatory ambit of the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
- 69.** Consider the following statements about the President of India:
- In the exercise of all his functions, the President has to act in accordance with the advice of the council of ministers.
 - All executive actions of the Government of India are formally taken in his name.
 - He can declare any area as a scheduled area.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 and 3 only
 - 1 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
- 70.** Consider the following statements about the election of the Vice-President of India:
- The electoral college for his election consists of both elected and nominated members of the Parliament.
 - The election of a person as Vice-President can be declared invalid if the electoral college was incomplete.
 - It is held in accordance with the First Past the Post System.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1, 2 and 3
 - 1 only
 - 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
- 71.** With reference to the organizational set up of the Government of India, arrange the following in order from top to bottom?
- Department
 - Division
 - Wing
 - Section
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- 4-1-2-3
 - 1-3-2-4
 - 2-3-1-4
 - 1-2-3-4
- 72.** Military exercise CORPAT was recently seen in the news. It is held between India and
- Srilanka
 - Indonesia
 - France
 - Thailand
- 73.** With reference to the constitution of India, consider the following statements:
- Under the Constitution of India, the leader of the Lok Sabha shall always be the Prime Minister.
 - The Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha have not been accorded any statutory recognition.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2
- 74.** Consider the following statements regarding the Speaker of the State Assembly:
- The speaker remains in the office during the life of the assembly.
 - The speaker is the final interpreter of the provisions of the Constitution of India within the assembly.
- Which of the statements given above is/are **not** correct?
- 1 only
 - 2 only
 - Both 1 and 2
 - Neither 1 nor 2

- 75.** In the context of fertilizer production in India, consider the following statements regarding Rock Phosphate:
1. India is self sufficient in Rock Phosphate production.
 2. Rock Phosphate is a key raw material in the production of NPK fertilizers.
- 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 ordinance making powers of the President, consider the following statements:
1. Indian constitution provides restrictions on re-promulgation of Ordinances.
 2. Whenever a bill seeking to replace an ordinance is introduced in the House, a statement explaining the circumstances that had necessitated immediate legislation should also be placed before the House.
- 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.** Which of the following are functions of the Legal Services Authorities?
1. To organize Lok Adalats for amicable settlement of disputes.
 2. To organize legal awareness camps in the rural areas.
 3. To provide free and competent legal services to eligible persons.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1 and 3 only
 - (b) 1 and 2 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 78.** With reference to the effects of a National Emergency, consider the following statements:
1. State governments are suspended and the center becomes empowered to execute on any matter.
 2. The life of Lok Sabha may be extended beyond its normal term.
- 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.** Consider the following statements with reference to the duration of the Lok Sabha:
1. On recommendations of the Rajya Sabha, the President can dissolve the Lok Sabha at any time even before the completion of five years.
 2. President can extend the term of Lok Sabha during the period of national emergency.
- Which of the statements given above is/are **not** correct?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 80.** Which of the following subjects are part of the Union List in the Seventh Schedule of the Indian Constitution?
1. Agriculture
 2. Education
 3. Currency
 4. Public Health
 5. Banking
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 3 and 5 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1, 4 and 5 only
 - (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

- 81.** Consider the following statements with reference to the responsibility of ministers:
1. When the Lok Sabha passes a no-confidence motion against the council of ministers, each minister needs to resign separately.
 2. The principle of collective responsibility means that if any minister disagrees with a cabinet decision and is not prepared to defend it, he must resign.
 3. There is no provision in the Constitution for the system of legal responsibility of a minister.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 3 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 2 only
 - (d) 1 and 3 only
- 82.** Which of the following statements is/are correct about the Governor?
1. The Constitution provides for minimum grounds upon which a governor may be removed by the President.
 2. The Constitution provides when the Governor's office falls vacant due to death, the Chief Justice of the concerned State High Court acts or discharges the functions of the Governor.
- 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
- 83.** Which of the following statements with respect to the Speaker of Lok Sabha is/are **not** correct?
1. The date of election of the Speaker is fixed by the Pro tem Speaker.
 2. When a resolution for the removal of the speaker is under consideration, she can neither preside the sitting nor vote on such resolution.
- 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
- 84.** Consider the following statements:
1. Natural rubber is not naturally suited for colder conditions.
 2. India has developed the world's first genetically modified rubber plant.
- 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
- 85.** Consider the following statements regarding the President's Rule in a State:
1. It can be extended for a maximum period of three years without the approval of the Parliament.
 2. It has no effect on Fundamental Rights of the citizens.
 3. There is no change in the powers and functions of the State High Court during President rule.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 2 and 3 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) 1 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 86.** In which of the following matters is the Centre empowered to give executive directions to the states?
1. The measures to be taken for the protection of rail transport within the state.
 2. The drawing up and execution of the schemes essential for the welfare of the Scheduled Castes in the state.
 3. The construction and maintenance of the means of communication of national or military importance.
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1 and 3 only
 - (b) 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 2 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3

- 87.** Consider the following statements regarding unstarred questions:
1. The first hour of every parliamentary sitting is allotted for answering questions.
 2. It requires an oral answer from the concerned minister.
 3. Supplementary questions can be asked following the reply to an unstarred question.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 88.** Consider the following grounds with respect to the disqualification under Tenth Schedule:
1. If a member abstains from the voting in the House contrary to the direction given by his political party.
 2. If any independently elected member joins any political party.
 3. If any nominated member joins any political party in government after the expiry of six months.
- Which of the grounds given above can lead to disqualification?
- (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 89.** Cryptogams are one of the oldest groups of plant species, existing since the Jurassic era. India's first cryptogamic garden was recently opened at
- (a) Himachal Pradesh
 - (b) Uttarakhand
 - (c) Uttar Pradesh
 - (d) Karnataka
- 90.** The latest edition of the Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS) was hosted by the French Navy at La Réunion island. Which of the following countries are the members of this Symposium?
1. France
 2. United Kingdom
 3. Pakistan
 4. Australia
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 3 and 4 only
 - (b) 1 and 2 only
 - (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
 - (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 91.** Which of the following bodies can request the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India to audit the accounts of Panchayats?
1. Governor of a state
 2. President
 3. Administrator of a Union territory having a legislative assembly
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 1 and 3 only
 - (c) 2 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 92.** Consider the following statements in relation to the Rajya Sabha:
1. It is a permanent body where one-third of its members retire every second year.
 2. The Constitution has fixed the term of office of the members of the Rajya Sabha to six years.
 3. The retiring members are eligible for re-election and renomination any number of times.
- Which of the statements given above are correct?
- (a) 1 and 3 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1, 2 and 3
 - (d) 1 and 2 only

93. Consider the following pairs:

Motions	Description
1. Privilege Motion	It can be moved to censure a minister who has committed breach of privilege.
2. Censure Motion	It can be moved against an individual minister or group of ministers for specific policies and actions.
3. No-confidence Motion	It can be moved only against the entire council of ministers and need not state the reason for its adoption.

Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

94. Consider the following statements regarding 'Money Bill' in the State Legislature:

- 1. A money bill can be introduced in the legislature only after the prior recommendation of governor.
- 2. When a money bill is reserved for the consideration of the President, he cannot return the bill for reconsideration, he may either give his assent or withhold his assent to the bill.

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. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the duration of Lok Sabha?

- 1. President is authorized to dissolve the Lok Sabha before completion of five years, however this cannot be challenged in any Court of law.
- 2. The term of Lok Sabha can be extended during national emergency by a law of Parliament for one year at a time for any length of time.

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

96. Consider the following statements about the Prime Minister of India:

- 1. He holds office during the pleasure of the President.
- 2. His salary and allowances are charged on the Consolidated Fund of India.
- 3. His resignation automatically dissolves the council of ministers.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

97. In a state legislature, a bill is passed by the legislative assembly for the second time after reconsideration and sent to the legislative council. The legislative council rejects the bill or does not pass the bill within one month.

In this case what will be the future course of action of that state legislature?

- (a) The bill will be sent to the Governor, in the form as passed by the legislative assembly after reconsideration, for his assent.
- (b) The Governor will summon a joint sitting of both the houses of the state legislature to resolve a deadlock.
- (c) The Governor will reserve the bill for the President.
- (d) The bill becomes dead and legislative assembly has to bring a new bill for the said purpose.

98. Consider the following statements with reference to National Emergency:

1. During National Emergency the President of India can issue ordinances on the state subjects, if the Parliament is not in session.
2. The state legislatures are suspended during the operation of National emergency.

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

99. Which of the following statements is correct regarding the appointment of the Prime Minister?

- (a) The Constitution contain specific procedure for the selection and appointment of the Prime Minister.
- (b) A person must prove his majority in the Lok Sabha before he is appointed as the Prime Minister.
- (c) A person who is not a member of either House of the Parliament can not be appointed as Prime Minister.
- (d) When no party has a clear majority in the Lok Sabha, then the President may exercise his personal discretion in the selection and appointment of the Prime Minister.

100. Consider the following statements in the context of budget presentation in the Parliament:

- ‘guillotine’ on the first day of the budget session of Parliament.
- 2. Generally ‘vote on account’ is passed before a general discussion on a budget takes place.
- 3. The passage of the token cut motion in Lok Sabha may lead to the resignation of the government.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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