**1.**  "Rapid Financing Instrument" and "Rapid 3.

Credit Facility" are related to the provisions   
of lending by which one of the following ?

(a) Asian Development Bank

(b) International Monetary Fund

(c) United Nations Environment

Programme Finance Initiative

(d) World Bank

2. With reference to the Indian economy,

consider the following statements :

1. An increase in Nominal Effective

Exchange Rate (NEER) indicates the   
appreciation of rupee.

2. An increase in the Real Effective **4.**

Exchange Rate (REER) indicates an   
improvement in trade competitiveness.

3. An increasing trend in domestic

inflation relative to inflation in other   
countries is likely to cause an increasing   
divergence between NEER and REER.

Which of the above statements are correct ?

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 2 and 3 only

(c) 1 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2 and 3

VGYH-U-FGT ( 3 — A )

With reference to the Indian economy,   
consider the following statements :

1. If the inflation is too high, Reserve

Bank of India (RBI) is likely to buy   
government securities.

2. If the rupee is rapidly depreciating, RBI

is likely to sell dollars in the market.

3. If interest rates in the USA or European

Union were to fall, that is likely to   
induce RBI to buy dollars.

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

With reference to the "G20 Common

Framework", consider the following   
statements :

1. It is an initiative endorsed by the G20

together with the Paris Club.

2. It is an initiative to support Low Income

Countries with unsustainable debt.

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

**5.**  **With reference to the Indian economy, what**

**are the advantages of "Inflation-Indexed Bonds (IIBs)" ?**

**1.**  **Government can reduce the coupon**

**rates on its borrowing by way of Ms. 2.**  **IIBs provide protection to the investors**

**from uncertainty regarding inflation.**

**3.**  **The interest received as well as capital**

**gains on ILBs are not taxable.**

**Which of the statements given above are correct ?**

**(a)**  **I and 2 only**

**(b)**  **2 and 3 only**

**(c)**  **1 and 3 only**

**(d)**  **1, 2 and 3**

**6.**  **With reference to foreign-owned e-commerce**

**ifrms operating in India, which of the following statements is/are correct ?**

**1.**  **They can sell their own goods in**

**addition to offering their platforms as market-places.**

**2.**  **The *degree* to which they can own big**

**sellers on their platforms is limited.**

**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**

**7.**  **Which of the following activities constitute**

**real sector in the economy ?**   
**1.**  **Farmers harvesting their crops**

**2.**  **Textile mills converting raw cotton into**

**fabrics**

**3.**  **A commercial bank lending money to a**

**trading company**

**4.**  **A corporate body issuing Rupee**

**Denominated Bonds overseas**

**Select the correct answer using the code given below**

**(a)**  **1 and 2 only**

**(b)**  **2, 3 and 4 only**

**(c)**  **1, 3 and 4 only**

**(d)**  **1, 2, 3 and 4**

**S.**  **Which one of the following situations best**

**reflects "Indirect Transfers" often talked**   
**about in media recently with reference to**   
**India ?**

**(a)**  **An Indian company investing in a**

**foreign enterprise and paying taxes to the foreign country on the profits**   
**arising out of its investment**

**(b)**  **A foreign company investing in India**

**and paying taxes to the country of its base on the profits arising out of its**   
**investment**

**(c)**  **An Indian company purchases tangible**

**assets in a foreign country and sells**   
**such assets after their value increases and transfers the proceeds to India**

**(d)**  **A foreign company transfers shares and**

**such shares derive their substantial value from assets located in India**

**VGY1-1-1J-FGT** ( 5 — A )

**9.**  With reference to the expenditure made by an 11.

organisation or a company, which of the   
following statements is/are correct ?

1. Acquiring new technology is capital

expenditure.

2. Debt financing is considered capital

expenditure, while equity financing is   
considered revenue expenditure.

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

12.

**10.**  With reference to the Indian economy,

consider the following statements :

1. A share of the household financial

savings goes towards government   
borrowings.

2. Dated securities issued at

market-related rates in auctions form a   
large component of internal debt.

Which of the above statements is/are correct ?

(a) **1** only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

VGYH-U-FGT ( 7 -- A )

Consider the following statements :   
1. Pursuant to the report of H.N. Sanyal

Committee, the Contempt of Courts Act, 19►1 ***was*** passed.

2. The Constitution of India empowers the

Supreme Court and the High Courts to   
punish for contempt of themselves.

3. The Constitution of India defines Civil

Contempt and Criminal Contempt. 4. In India, the Parliament is vested with

the powers to make laws on Contempt   
of Court.

Which of the statements given above is/are   
correct ?

***(a)***  ***1*** and 2 only

**(b)**  **1,** 2 and 4

(c) 3 and 4 only

(d) 3 only

With reference to India, consider the following statements :

1. Government law officers and legal firms

are recognised as advocates, but   
corporate lawyers and patent attorneys   
are excluded from recognition as

advocates.

2. Bar Councils have the power to lay

down the rules relating to legal   
education and recognition of law   
colleges.

Which of the statements given above is/are   
correct ?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(th Neither 1 nor 2

**13.**  Consider the following statements : 15.

1. A bill amending the Constitution

requires a prior recommendation of the President of India.

2. When a Constitution Amendment Bill is

presented to the President of India, it is obligatory for the President of India to   
give his/her assent.

3. A Constitution Amendment Bill must be

passed by both the Lok Sabha and the   
Rajya Sabha by a special majority and   
there is no provision for joint sitting.

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

**16.**

**14.**  Consider the following statements :

1. The Constitution of India classifies the

ministers into four ranks viz. Cabinet   
Minister, Minister of State with   
Independent Charge, Minister of State   
and Deputy Minister.

2. The total number of ministers in the

Union Government, including the Prime   
Minister, shall not exceed 15 percent of   
the total number of members in the Lok   
Sabha.

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

VGYH-U-FGT ( 9 — A )

Which of the following is/are the exclusive   
power(s) of Lok Sabha ?

1. To ratify the declaration of Emergency

2. To pass a motion of no-confidence

against the Council of Ministers

3. To impeach the President of India

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

(a) 1 and 2

**(b)**  2 only

**(c)**  **1** and 3

**(d)**  3 only

With reference to anti-defection law in India, consider the following statements :

1. The law specifies that a nominated

legislator cannot join any political party within six months of being appointed to the House.

2. The law does not provide any

time-frame within which the presiding   
officer has to decide a defection case.

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

**17.**  Consider the following statements : **19.**

1. Attorney General of India and Solicitor

General of India are the only officers of the Government who are allowed to   
participate in the meetings of the   
Parliament of India.

2. According to the Constitution of India,

the Attorney General of India submits   
his resignation when the Government   
which appointed him resigns.

Which of the statements given above isfare   
correct ?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

**20.**

**(c)**  Both 1 and 2

**(d)**  Neither 1 nor 2

**18.**  With reference to the writs issued by the

Courts in India, consider the following   
statements

1. Mandamus will not lie against a private

organisation unless it is entrusted with   
a public duty.

2. Mandamus will not lie against a

Company even though it may be a   
Government Company.

3. Any public minded person can be a

petitioner to move the Court to obtain   
the writ of Quo Warranto.

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

VGYH-U-FGT ( 11 — A )

With reference to Ayushman Bharat Digital   
Mission, consider the following statements :

1. Private and public hospitals must adopt it.

2. As it aims to achieve universal health

coverage, every citizen of India should be part of it ultimately.

3. It has seamless portability across the   
 country.

Which of the statements given above is/are   
correct ?

(a) **1** and 2 only

(b) 3 only

(c) **1** and 3 only

(d) 1, 2 and 3

With reference to Deputy Speaker of Lok   
Sabha, consider the following statements :

1. As per the Rules of Procedure and

Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, the   
election of Deputy Speaker shall be held on such date as the Speaker may fix.

2. There is a mandatory provision that the

election of a candidate as Deputy   
Speaker of Lok Sabha shall be from   
either the principal opposition party or   
the ruling party.

3. The Deputy Speaker has the same

power as of the Speaker when presiding over the sitting of the House and no   
appeal lies against his rulings.

4. The well established parliamentary

practice regarding the appointment of   
Deputy Speaker is that the motion is   
moved by the Speaker and duly   
seconded by the Prime Minister.

Which of the statements given above are   
correct ?

(a) **1** and 3 only

(b) 1, 2 and 3

(e) 3 and 4 only

(d) 2 and 4 only

**21.**  **Among the following crops, which one is the**  **25.**

**most important anthropogenic source of both methane and nitrous oxide ?**

**(a)**  **Cotton**

**(b)**  **Rice**

**(c)**  **Sugarcane**

**(d)**  **Wheat**

**22.**  **"System of Rice Intensification" of cultivation,**

**in which alternate wetting and drying of rice fields is practised, results in :**

**1.**  **Reduced seed requirement**

**2.**  **Reduced methane production**  **26.**

**3.**  **Reduced electricity consumption**   
**Select the correct answer using the code given**   
**below :**

**(a)**  **3. and 2 only**

**(b)**  **2 and 3 only**

**(e)**  **1 and 3 only**

**(d)**  **1, 2 and 3**

**23.**  **.Which one of the following lakes of West**

**Africa has become dry and turned into a**   
**desert ?**  **27.**

**(a)**  **Lake Victoria**

**(b)**  **Lake Faguibine**

**(c)**  **Lake Oguta**

**(d)**  **Lake Volta**

**24..**  **Gandikota canyon of South India was created**

**by which one of the following rivers ?**

**(a)**  **Cauvery**

**(b)**  **Manjira**

**(c)**  **Pennar**

**(d)**  **Tungabhadra**

**VGYH-U-FGT**  **( 13 - A )**

**Consider the following pairs :**

*Peak*  *Mountains*

**1.**  **Naincha Barwa — Garhwal Himalaya**

**2. Nanda Devi**  **— Kumaon Himalaya**

**3. Nokrek**  **— Sikkim Himalaya**   
**Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly**   
**matched ?**

**(a)**  **1 and 2**

**(b)**  **2 only**

**(c)**  **1 and 3**

**(d)**  **3 only**

**The term "Levant" often heard in the news roughly corresponds to which of the following regions ?**

*(a)*  **Region along the eastern Mediterranean**

**shores**

**(b)**  **Region along North African shores**

**stretching from Egypt to Morocco**

**( c)**  **Region along Persian Gulf and Horn of**

**Africa**

**( d)**  **The**  **entire**  **coastal**  **areas**  **of**

**Mediterranean Sea**

**Consider the following countries :**

**1.**  **Azerbaijan**

**2.**  **Kyrgyzstan**

**3.**  **Tajikistan**

**4.**  **Turkmenistan**

**5.**  **Uzbekistan**

**Which of the above have borders with Afghanistan ?**

**(a)**  **1, 2 and 5 only**

**(b)**  **1, 2, 3 and 4 only**

**(c)**  **3, 4 and 5 only**

**(d)**  **1, 2, 3, 4 and 5**

28. With reference to India, consider the following 31.

statements :

1. Monazite is a source of rare earths.

2. Monazite contains thorium.

3. Monazite occurs naturally in the entire

Indian coastal sands in India.

4. In India, Government bodies only can

process or export monazite.

Which of the statements given above are   
correct ?

(a) 1, 2 and 3 only

(b) 1, 2 and 4 only

(c) 3 and 4 only

(d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

29. In the northern hemisphere, the longest day

of the year normally occurs in the :

(a) First half of the month of June

(b) Second half of the month of June 32.

(c) First half of the month of July

(d) Second half of the month of July

30. Consider the following pairs :

*Wetland /Lake*  *Location*

1. Hokera Wetland — Punjab

2. Renuka Wetland — Himachal Pradesh

3. Rudrasagar Lake — Tripura

4. Sasthamkotta — Tamil Nadu

Lake

How many pairs given above are correctly   
matched ?

(a) Only one pair

(b) Only two pairs

(c) Only three pairs

(d) All four pairs

VGYH-U-FGT ( 15 - A )

Consider the following :

1. Aarogya Setu

2. CoWIN

3. DigiLocker

4. DIKSHA

Which of the above are built on top of   
open-source digital platforms ?

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 2, 3 and 4 only

(c) 1, 3 and 4 only

(d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

With reference to Web 3.0, consider the following statements :

1. Web 3.0 technology enables people to

control their own data.

2. In Web 3.0 world, there can be

blockchain based social networks.

3. Web 3.0 is operated by users collectively

rather than a corporation.

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. With reference to "Software as a Service 35.

(SaaS)", consider the following statements :

1. SaaS buyers can customise the user

interface and can change data fields.

2. SaaS users can access their data

through their mobile devices.

3. Outlook, Hotmail and Yahoo! Mail are

forms of SaaS. 36.

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

34. Which one of the following statements best

reflects the idea behind the "Fractional   
Orbital Bombardment System" often talked   
about in media ? 37.

(a) A hypersonic missile is launched into

space to counter the asteroid   
approaching the Earth and explode it in   
space.

(b) A spacecraft lands on another planet

after making several orbital motions.

(c) A missile is put into a stable orbit

around the Earth and deorbits over a   
target on the Earth.

(d) A spacecraft moves along a comet with

the same speed and places a probe on its surface.

VGYH-U-FGT ( 17 — A )

Which one of the following is the context in   
which the term "cubit" is mentioned ?

(a) Cloud Services

(b) Quantum Computing

(c) Visible Light Communication

Technologies

(d) Wireless Communication Technologies

Consider the following communication technologies :

1. Closed-circuit Television

2. Radio Frequency Identification

3. Wireless Local Area Network

Which of the above are considered   
Short-Range devices/technologies ?

(a) 1 and 2 only

(h) 2 and 3 only

(c) 1 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2 and 3

Consider the following statements :   
1. Biofilms can form on medical implants

within human tissues.

2. Biofilms can form on food and food

processing surfaces.

3. Biofilms can exhibit antibiotic

***resistance.***

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

**38.**  Consider the following statements in respect **40.**

of probiotics

1. Probiotics are made of both bacteria and

yeast.

2. The organisms in probiotics are found in

foods we ingest but they do not   
naturally occur in our gut.

3. Probiotics help in the digestion of milk

sugars.

Which of the statements given above istare   
correct ?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) 1 and 3

(d) 2 and 3

**39.**  In the context of vaccines manufactured to

prevent COVID-19 pandemic, consider the following statements :

1, The Serum Institute of India produced

COVID-19 vaccine named Covishield using mRNA platform.

2. Sputnik V vaccine is manufactured using

vector based platform.

3. COVAXIN is an inactivated pathogen

based vaccine.

Which of the statements given above are   
correct ?

(a) I. and 2 only

**(b)**  2 and 3 oray

(c) **1 and** 3 only

**(d)**  1, 2 and 3

VGYI-I-U-FGT ( 19—A)

If a major solar storm (solar flare) reaches the Earth, which of the following are the possible effects on the Earth ?

1, GPS and navigation systems could fail.

2. Tsunamis could occur at equatorial

regions.

3. Power grids could be damaged.

4. Intense auroras could occur over much

of the Earth.

5. Forest fires could take place over much

of the planet.

6. Orbits of the satellites could be

disturbed.

7. Shortwave radio communication of the

aircraft flying over polar regions could   
be interrupted.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

**(a)**  1, 2, 4 and 5 only

(b) 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7 only

(c) 1, 3, 4, 6 and 7 only

(d) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7

**41.**  "Climate Action Tracker" which monitors the

emission reduction pledges of different   
countries is a :

(a) Database created by coalition of

research organisations

(b) Wing of "International Panel of Climate

Change"

(c) Committee under "United Nations

Framework Convention on Climate Change"

(d) Agency promoted and financed by

United Nations Environment Programme and World Bank

**42.**  Consider the following statements :

1. "The Climate Group" is an international

non-profit organization that drives   
climate action by building large   
networks and runs them.

2. The International Energy Agency in

partnership with the Climate Group   
launched a global initiative "EP100".

3. EP100 brings together leading

companies committed to driving   
innovation in energy efficiency and

increasing competitiveness while   
delivering on emission reduction goals.

4. Some Indian companies are members of

**43.**  **"If** rainforests and tropical forests are the

lungs of the Earth, then surely wetlands   
function as its kidneys." Which one of the   
following functions of wetlands best reflects   
the above statement ?

(a) The water cycle in wetlands involves

surface runoff, subsoil percolation and   
evaporation.

(b) Algae form the nutrient base upon

which fish, crustaceans, molluscs, birds, reptiles and mammals thrive.

(c) Wetlands play a vital role in

maintaining sedimentation balance and soil stabilization.

(d) Aquatic plants absorb heavy metals and

excess nutrients.

**44.**  In the context of WHO Air Quality

Guidelines, consider the following   
statements :

1. The 24-hour mean of PM2.5 should not

exceed 15 pg/m3 and annual mean of   
PM2.5 should not exceed 5 ug/ma.

2. In a year, the highest levels of ozone

pollution occur during the periods of   
inclement weather.

3.

EP100.

5. The International Energy Agency is the

Secretariat to the "Under2 Coalition".

Which of the statements given above are   
correct ?

(a) 1, 2, 4 and 5

(b) 1, 3 and 4 only

(c) 2, 3 and 5 only

(d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

VGYH-U-FGT ( 21 — A )

PMID can penetrate the lung barrier   
and enter the bloodstream.

4. Excessive ozone in the air can trigger

asthma.

Which of the statements given above are   
correct ?

(a) 1, 3 and 4

(b) 1 and 4 only

(c) 2, 3 and 4

**(d)**  1 and 2 only

45. With reference to "Gucchi" sometimes

mentioned in the news, consider the following statements :

1. It is a fungus.

2. It grows in some Himalayan forest areas.

3, It is commercially cultivated in the

Himalayan foothills of north-eastern India,

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

(a) 1 only

(b) 3 only

(c) 1 and 2

(d) 2 and 3

46. With reference to polyethylene terephthalate,

the use of which is so widespread in our daily lives, consider the following statements :

1. Its fibres can be blended with wool and

cotton fibres to reinforce their properties. 2, Containers made of it can be used to

store any alcoholic beverage.

3. Bottles made of it can be recycled into

other products.

4. Articles made of it can be easily disposed

of by incineration without causing greenhouse gas emissions.

Which of the statements given above are correct ?

(a) 1 and 3

(b) 2 a\_nd 4

(c) 1 and 4

(d) 2 and 3

47. Which of the following is ***not*** a bird ?

(a) Golden Mahseer

(b) Indian Nightjar

(c) Spoonbill

(d) White Ibis

48. Which of the following are nitrogen-fixing

plants ?

1. Alfalfa

2. Amaranth

3. Chickpea

4. Clover

5. Purslane (Kulfa)

6. Spinach

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

(a) 1, 3 and 4 only

(b) 1, 3, 5 and 6 only

(c) 2, 4, 5 and 6 only

(d) I, 2, 4, 5 and 6

49. "Biorock technology" is talked about in which

one of the following situations ?

(a) Restoration of damaged coral reefs

(b) Development of building materials

using plant residues

(c) Identification of areas for

exploration/extraction of shale gas

(d) Providing salt licks for wild animals in

forests/protected areas

**50.**  The "Miyawaki method" is well known for

the :

(a) Promotion of commercial farming in

arid and semi-arid areas

(b) Development of gardens using

genetically modified flora

(c) Creation of mini forests in urban areas

(d) Harvesting wind energy on coastal

areas and on sea surfaces

VGY1-1-1J-FGT (23—A)

**51.**  In the Government of India Act 1919, the **54.**

functions of Provincial Government were   
divided into "Reserved" and "Transferred" subjects. Which of the following were treated as "Reserved" subjects ?

**1.**  Administration of Justice

2. Local Self-Government

3. Land Revenue

**4.**  Police

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

**(a)**  1, 2 and 3

**(b)**  2, 3 and 4

**(c)**  **1,** 3 and 4

(d) 1, 2 and 4

**52.**  In medieval India, the term "Fanam" referred

to :

(a) Clothing

**(b)**  Coins 55.

**(c)**  Ornaments

**(d)**  Weapons

**53.**  Consider the following freedom fighters :

**1.**  Barindra Kumar Ghosh

2. Jogesh Chandra Chatterjee

3. Rash Behari Bose

Who of the above was/were actively associated with the Ghadar Party ?

**(a)**  **1** and 2

**(b)**  2 only

**(c)**  1 and 3

**(d)**  3 only

**VGYH-U-FGT**  ( 25 — A )

With reference to the proposals of Cripps   
Mission, consider the following statements :

1. The Constituent Assembly would have

members nominated by the Provincial   
Assemblies as well as the Princely   
States.

2. Any Province, which is not prepared to

accept the new Constitution would have   
the right to sign a separate agreement   
with Britain regarding its future status.

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**

With reference to Indian history, consider the following texts :

1. Nettipakarana

2. Parishishtaparvan

3. Avadanashataka

4. Trishashtilakshana Mahapurana

Which of the above are Jaina texts ?

**(a)**  **1,** 2 and 3

**(b)**  2 and **4** only

**(c)**  1, **3** and 4

(d) 2, 3 and 4

**56.**  **With** reference to Indian history, consider the

following pairs :

*Historical person*  *Known as*

**1.**  Aryadeva Jaina scholar

2. Dignaga Buddhist scholar

3. Nathamuni — Vaishnava scholar

How many pairs given above are correctly matched ?

*(a)*  None of the pairs

(b) Only one pair

(c) Only two pairs

(d) All three pairs

**57.**  With reference to Indian history, consider the

following statements :

**1.**  The first Mongol invasion of India

happened during the reign of Jalal-ud-din Khalj i.

2. During the reign of Ala-ud-din Khalji, one

Mongol assault marched up to Delhi and besieged the city.

3. Muhammad-bin-Tughlaq temporarily lost

portions of north-west of his kingdom to Mongols.

Which of the statements given above is/are   
correct ?

(a) **1 and 2**

**(b)**  **2 only**

**(c)**  **1 and 3**

**(d)**  **3 only**

**58.**  With reference to Indian history, who of the

following were known as "Kulah-Daran" ?

(a) Arab merchants

(b) Qalandars

(c) Persian calligraphists

(d) Sayyids

**59.**  With reference to Indian history, consider the

following statements :

1. The Dutch established their

factories/warehouses on the east coast   
on lands granted to them by Gajapati   
rulers.

2. Alfonso de Albuquerque captured Goa

from the Bijapur Sultanate.

3. The English East India Company

established a factory at Madras on a   
plot of land leased from a representative of the Vij ayan agar a empire.

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

**60.**  According to Kautilya's *Arthashastra,* which

of the following are correct ?

1. A person could be a slave as a result of a

judicial punishment.

2. If a female slave bore her master a son,

she was legally free.

3. If a son born to a female slave was

fathered by her master, the son was   
entitled to the legal status of the   
master's son.

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

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**61.**  Consider the following statements :

1. Tight monetary policy of US Federal

Reserve could lead to capital flight. 2. Capital flight may increase the interest

cost of firms with existing External   
Commercial Borrowings (ECBs).

3. Devaluation of domestic currency

decreases the currency risk associated with ECBs.

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

**62.**  Consider the following States :

**1.**  Andhra Pradesh

2. Kerala

3. Himachal Pradesh

4. Tripura

How many of the above are generally known as tea-producing States ?

(a) Only one State

(b) Only two States

(c) Only three States

**(d)**  All four States

**63.**  Consider the following statements :

1. In India, credit rating agencies are

regulated by Reserve Bank of India. 2. The rating agency popularly known as

ICRA is a public limited company.

3. Brickwork Ratings is an Indian credit

rating agency.

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

**64.**  With reference to the 'Banks Board Bureau

(BBB)', which of the following statements are correct ?

**1.**  The Governor of RBI is the Chairman of

BBB.

2. BBB recommends for the selection of

heads for Public Sector Banks.

3. BBB helps the Public Sector Banks in

developing strategies and capital raising plans.

Select the correct 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

**65.**  With reference to Convertible Bonds, consider

the following statements :

1. As there is an option to exchange the

bond for equity, Convertible Bonds pay a lower rate of interest.

2. The option to convert to equity affords

the bondholder a degree of indexation to rising consumer prices.

Which of the statements given above is/are   
correct ?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

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**66.**  Consider the following :

**1.**  Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank

2. Missile Technology Control Regime

3. Shanghai Cooperation Organisation

India is a member of which of the above ?

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 3 only

**(c)**  2 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2 and 3

**67.**  Consider the following statements :

1. Vietnam has been one of the fastest

growing economies in the world in the recent years.

2. Vietnam is led by a multi-party political

system.

3. Vietnam's economic growth is linked to

its integration with global supply chains and focus on exports.

4. For a long time Vietnam's low labour

costs and stable exchange rates have   
attracted global manufacturers.

5. Vietnam has the most productive

e-service sector in the Indo-Pacific region.

Which of the statements given above are   
correct ?

**(a)**  2 and 4

(b) 3 and 5

**(c)**  1, 3 and 4

**(d)**  1 and 2

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**68.**  In India, which one of the following is

responsible for maintaining price stability by controlling inflation ?

**(a)**  Department of Consumer Affairs

(b) Expenditure Management Commission

**(c)**  Financial Stability and Development

Council

**(d)**  Reserve Bank of India

**69.**  With reference to Non-Fungible Tokens

(NFTs), consider the following statements :

**1.**  They enable the digital representation

of physical assets.

2. They are unique cryptographic tokens

that exist on a blockchain.

3. They can be traded or exchanged at

equivalency and therefore can be used   
as a medium of commercial   
transactions.

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

**70.**  Consider the following pairs :

*Reservoirs*  *States*

1. Ghataprabha Telangana

2. Gandhi Sagar Madhya Pradesh

3. Indira Sagar — Andhra Pradesh

4. Maithon Chhattisgarh

How many pairs given above are ***not*** correctly matched ?

(a) Only one pair

**(b)**  Only two pairs

**(c)**  Only three pairs

**(d)**  All four pairs

**-A)**

**71.**  **In India, which one of the following compiles**

**information on industrial disputes, closures, retrenchments and lay-offs in factories employing workers ?**

**(a)**  **Central Statistics Office**

**(b)**  **Department for Promotion** of Industry

and Internal Trade

(c) Labour Bureau

(d) National Technical Manpower

**Information System**

**72.**  **In India, what is the role of the Coal**

**Controller's Organization (CCO) ?**

**1.**  **CCO is the major source of Coal**

**Statistics in Government of India.**

**2.**  **It monitors progress of development** of

**Captive Coal/Lignite blocks.**

**3.**  **It**  **hears**  **any**  **objection to the**

**Government's notification relating to acquisition of coal-bearing areas.**

**4.**  **It ensures that coal mining companies**

**deliver the coal to end users in the**   
**prescribed time.**

**Select the correct answer using the code given below :**

**(a)**  1, 2 and 3

**(b)**  3 and 4 only

**(c)**  1 and 2 only

**(d)**  1, 2 and 4

**73.**  **If a particular area is brought under the Fifth**

**Schedule of** the **Constitution of India, which one of the following statements best reflects the consequence of it ?**

**(a)**  **This would prevent the transfer of** land

of tribal people to non-tribal people.

(b) This would create a local self-governing

body in that area.

(c) This would convert that area into a

**Union Territory.**

**(d)**  **The State having such areas would** be

declared a Special Category State.

**74.**  **Consider the following statements :**

**1.**  **The India Sanitation Coalition is a**

**platform**  **to**  **promote**  **sustainable sanitation and is funded by the Government of India and the World**   
**Health Organization.**

2. The National Institute of Urban Affairs

is an apex body of the Ministry of   
Housing and Urban Affairs in Government of India and provides   
innovative solutions to address the   
challenges of Urban 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

**75.**  **Which one of the following has been**

**constituted**  **under**  **the**  **Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 ?**

(a) Central Water Commission

(b) Central Ground Water Board

(c) Central Ground Water Authority

(d) National Water Development Agency

**76.**  With reference  **to the**  "United Nations

Credentials Committee", consider the   
following statements :

**1.**  **It is a** committee set up by the UN

Security Council and works under its   
supervision.

2. It traditionally meets in March, June

and September every year.

3. It assesses the credentials of all UN

members before submitting a report to   
the General Assembly for approval.

Which of the statements given above is/are   
correct ?

(a) 3 only

**(b)**  1 and 3

**(c)**  2 and 3

**(d)**  1 and 2

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**77.**  Which one of the following statements best

describes the 'Polar Code' ?

**( a)**  **It** is the international code of safety for

ships operating in polar waters.

(b) It is the agreement of the countries

around the North Pole regarding the demarcation of their territories in the polar region.

(c) It is a set of norms to be followed by the

countries whose scientists undertake research studies in the North Pole and South Pole.

**(d)**  **It** is a trade and security agreement of

the member countries of the Arctic Council.

**78.**  With reference to the United Nations General

Assembly, consider the following statements :

1. The UN General Assembly can grant

observer status to the non-member States.

2. Inter-governmental organisations can

seek observer status in the UN General Assembly.

3. Permanent Observers in the UN

General Assembly can maintain missions at the UN headquarters.

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

**79.**  With reference to the "Tea Board" in India,

consider the following statements : 1. The Tea Board is a statutory body.

2. It is a regulatory body attached to the

Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers   
Welfare.

3. The Tea Board's Head Office is situated

in Bengaluru.

4. The Board has overseas offices at Dubai

and Moscow.

Which of the statements given above are   
correct ?

(a) 1 and 3

(b) 2 and 4

(c) 3 and 4

**(d)**  **1 and 4**

**80.**  Which **one** of the following best describes the

term "greenwashing" ?

**(a)**  Conveying a false impression that a

company's products are eco-friendly and environmentally sound

(b) Non-inclusion of ecological/

environmental costs in the Annual   
Financial Statements of a country

(c) Ignoring the disastrous ecological

consequences while undertaking infrastructure development

(d) Making mandatory provisions for

environmental costs in a government   
project/programme

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81. Consider the following statements : **84.**

1. High clouds primarily reflect solar

radiation and cool the surface of the   
Earth.

2. Low clouds have a high absorption of

infrared radiation emanating from the   
Earth's surface and thus cause warming   
effect.

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

**82.**  Consider the following statements :

1. Bidibidi is a large refugee settlement in

north-western Kenya.

2. Some people who fled from South Sudan

civil war live in Bidibidi. 85.

3. Some people who fled from civil war in

Somalia live in Dadaab refugee complex in Kenya.

Which of the statements given above is/are   
correct ?

(a) 1 and 2

(b) 2 only

(c) 2 and 3

(d) 3 only

83. Consider the following countries :

1. Armenia

2. Azerbaijan

3. Croatia

4. Romania

5. Uzbekistan

Which of the above are members of the   
Organization of Turkic States ?

(a) 1, 2 and 4

(b) 1 and 3

(c) 2 and 5

(d) 3, 4 and 5

VGYH-U-FGT ( 37 — A )

Consider the following statements :   
1. Gujarat has the largest solar park in

India.

2. Kerala has a fully solar powered

International Airport.

3. Goa has the largest floating solar

photovoltaic project in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are   
correct ?

(a) 1 and 2

(b) 2 only

(c) 1 and 3

(d) 3 only

With reference to the United Nations   
Convention on the Law of Sea, consider the   
following statements :

1, A coastal state has the right to establish

the breadth of its territorial sea up to a   
limit not exceeding 12 nautical miles,   
measured from baseline determined in   
accordance with the convention.

2. Ships of all states, whether coastal or

land-locked, enjoy the right of innocent passage through the territorial sea.

3. The Exclusive Economic Zone shall not

extend beyond 200 nautical miles from the baseline from which the breadth of   
the territorial sea is measured.

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

86. Which one of the following statements best

reflects the issue with Senkaku Islands,   
sometimes mentioned in the news ?

(a) It is generally believed that they are

artificial islands made by a country around South China Sea.

(b) China and Japan engage in maritime

disputes over these islands in East China Sea.

(c) A permanent American military base

has been set up there to help Taiwan to increase its defence capabilities.

(d) Though International Court of Justice

declared them as no man's land, some   
South-East Asian countries claim them.

87. Consider the following pairs :

*Country*  *Important reason for being*

*in the news recently*

1. Chad — Setting up of permanent

military base by China

2. Guinea — Suspension of Constitution

and Government by military

3. Lebanon Severe and prolonged

economic depression

4. Tunisia — Suspension of Parliament

by President

How many pairs given above are correctly   
matched ?

(a) Only one pair

(b) Only two pairs

(c) Only three pairs

(d) All four pairs

88. Consider the following pairs :

*Region often mentioned*  *Country in the news*

1. Anatolia Turkey

2. Amhara Ethiopia

3. Cabo Delgado Spain

4. Catalonia Italy   
How many pairs given above are correctly   
matched ?

(a) Only one pair

(b) Only two pairs

(c) Only three pairs

(d) All four pairs

89. With reference to Indian laws about wildlife

protection, consider the following statements : 1. Wild animals are the sole property of

the government.

2. When a wild animal is declared

protected, such animal is entitled for   
equal protection whether it is found in   
protected areas or outside.

3. Apprehension of a protected wild animal

becoming a danger to human life is   
sufficient ground for its capture or   
killing.

Which of the statements given above is/are   
correct ?

*(a)*  1 and 2

(b) 2 only

(c) 1 and 3

(d) 3 only

90. Certain species of which one of the following

organisms are well known as cultivators of   
fungi ?

(a) Ant

(b) Cockroach

(c) Crab

(d) Spider

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91. Consider the following pairs : 94. "Yogavffsistha" was translated into Persian by

*Site of Ashoka's*   
 *major rock edicts*   
*1.*  Dhauli

2. Erragudi

3. Jaugada   
4. Kalsi

*Location in the State of*

— Odisha

Andhra Pradesh   
Madhya Pradesh

Karnataka

95.

Nizamuddin Panipati during the reign of :

**(a)**  Akbar

**(b)**  Humayun

**(c)**  Shahjahan

**(d)**  Aurangzeb

The world's second tallest statue in sitting

How many pairs given above are correctly   
matched ?

(a) Only one pair

(b) Only two pairs

(c) Only three pairs

(d) All four pairs

92. Consider the following pairs :

*King*  *. Dynasty*

*1.* Nannuka — Chandela

2. Jayashakti — Paramara

3. Nagabhata II Gurjara-Pratihara

4. Bhoja Rashtrakuta

How many pairs given above are correctly   
matched ?

**(a)**  Only one pair

(b) Only two pairs

(c) Only three pairs

(d) All four pairs

93. Which one of the following statements about

Sangam literature in ancient South India is correct ?

(a) Sangam poems are devoid of any

reference to material culture.

(b) The social classification of Varna was

known to Sangam poets.

(c) Sangam poems have no reference to

warrior ethic.

(d) Sangam literature refers to magical

forces as irrational.

VGYH-U-FGT **(41**

pose of Ramanuja was inaugurated by the   
Prime Minister of India at Hyderabad   
recently. Which one of the following   
statements correctly represents the teachings   
of Ramanuja ?

(a) The best means of salvation was

devotion.

(b) Vedas are eternal, self-existent and

wholly authoritative.

(c) Logical arguments were essential

means for the highest bliss.

(d) Salvation was to be obtained through

meditation.

96. The Prime Minister recently inaugurated the

new Circuit House near Somnath Temple at   
Veraval. Which of the following statements   
are correct regarding Somnath Temple ?

1. Somnath Temple is one of the Jyotirlinga

shrines.

2. A description of Somnath Temple was

given by Al-Biruni.

3. Pran Pratishtha of Somnath Temple

(installation of the present day temple)   
 was done by President S. Radhakrishnan.   
Select the correct 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

**-A)**

97. Which one of the following statements best 99.

describes the role of B cells and T cells in the human body ?

(a) They protect the body from

environmental allergens.

(b) They alleviate the body's pain and

inflammation.

(c) They act as immunosuppressants in the

body.

(d) They protect the body from the diseases

caused by pathogens.

**98.**  Consider the following statements :

1. Other than those made by humans,

nanoparticles do not exist in nature.   
 100.

2. Nanoparticles of some metallic oxides

are used in the manufacture of some   
cosmetics.

3. Nanoparticles of some commercial

products which enter the environment   
are unsafe for humans.

Which of the statements given above is/are   
correct?

(a) 1 only

(b) 3 only

(c) 1 and 2

(d) 2 and 3

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Consider the following statements : DNA Barcoding can be a tool to :

1. assess the age of a plant or animal.

2. distinguish among species that look

alike.

3. identify undesirable animal or plant

materials in processed foods.

Which of the statements given above is/are   
correct ?

(a) 1 only

(b) 3 only

(c) 1 and 2

(d) 2 and 3

Consider the following :

1. Carbon monoxide

2. Nitrogen oxide

3. Ozone

4. Sulphur dioxide

Excess of which of the above in the   
environment is/are cause(s) of acid rain ?

(a) 1, 2 and 3

(b) 2 and 4 only

(c) 4 only

(d) 1, 3 a\_nd 4