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1. Consider the following statements regarding direct democracy:
  1. It is a form of government where all citizens participate through their representatives.
  2. Gram Panchayat in India can be considered as an example 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. On a particular day 300 members are present in Lok Sabha at the time of voting. In this scenario, an amendment bill, under Article 368 of the constitution
  - (a) can be passed with the support of only 150 members.
  - (b) cannot be passed without support of at least 273 members.
  - (c) can be passed with a support from minimum 200 members.
  - (d) cannot be passed with the given strength of members present for voting.
  
3. Which of the following directive principles cannot be challenged for violating the right to equality under Article 14?
  1. Equitable distribution of the community material resources.
  2. Equal pay for equal work for men and women.
  3. Preventing the concentration of wealth.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

  - (a) 1 and 2 only
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) 1 and 3 only
  - (d) 1, 2 and 3
  
4. With reference to Permanent Lok Adalat, consider the following statements:
  1. These are permanent bodies with a chairman and two members.
  2. Only cases where the value of the dispute is more than ten lakhs are decided by the Permanent Lok Adalat.
  3. Award of the Permanent Lok Adalat is final and binding upon the parties.

Which of the statement given above is/are correct?

  - (a) 1 and 3 only
  - (b) 1 only
  - (c) 1, 2 and 3
  - (d) 2 only
  
5. With reference to the recently inaugurated NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), which of the following statements is/are correct?
  1. It is a wholly-owned Government of India undertaking which will function as the commercial arm of ISRO.
  2. It has been mandated to manufacture Small Satellite Launch Vehicle (SSLV) in collaboration with Private Sector.
  3. It will market spin-off technologies and products/services both in India and abroad.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

  - (a) 1 and 2 only
  - (b) 1 only
  - (c) 2 and 3 only
  - (d) 1, 2 and 3
  
6. Which of the following statements is **not** correct regarding the Ninth Schedule of the Indian constitution?
  - (a) It was added to the constitution by the first Constitutional Amendment act in 1951.
  - (b) It was inspired by the Irish Constitution.
  - (c) The inclusion of any law under the ninth schedule requires an amendment under article 368 by special majority of Parliament.
  - (d) It was brought under the purview of judicial review by the Supreme Court in the Kihoto Hollohan case.

7. Who among the following were members of the drafting committee of the Constituent Assembly?

1. B. R. Ambedkar
2. N. Gopalaswami
3. K.M Munshi
4. B. N. Rau

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

8. In the text of the Preamble, the people of India secure to all its citizens 'Liberty' of

1. Thought
2. Profession
3. Belief
4. Worship

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

9. India was recently re-elected as an Observer to the Arctic Council. In this context, consider the following statements:

1. Australia is the only non- Arctic state to be a member of the Arctic Council.
2. The Arctic region has rich oil and natural gas reserves.
3. Both Antarctica and Arctic are considered as part of Global commons.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

10. The Indian Federalism can be best explained in terms of:

- (a) an agreement between the center and constituent units in order to set up a federation.
- (b) dependence of state government on the centre for all funds, functions and functionaries.
- (c) constitutional devolution of powers to the state governments.
- (d) extraordinary powers with center to unilaterally change the federal principles of the constitution.

11. Which of the following are included in Original jurisdiction of the High Court?

1. Enforcement of fundamental rights of citizens.
2. Matters related to marriage and divorce.
3. Disputes between two or more states.
4. Dispute related to the election of members of the State legislature.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

12. With reference to Right to privacy in India, consider the following statements:

1. Right to Privacy has been made fundamental right in K.S. Puttaswamy case.
2. Unauthorized phone tapping is violative of right to privacy.
3. In India, only the Central government is allowed to tap the phones.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

**13.** Which of the following is/are included in the Fundamental Duties of citizens as per the Constitution of India?

1. To sing National Anthem during morning assembly in school
2. To have compassion for living creatures
3. To safeguard public property

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**14.** Article 3 of the Indian Constitution authorizes the Parliament to:

1. Alter the boundary of any state
2. Alter the name of any state
3. Alter the name of a town in any state

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**15.** In the context of modern nation-states, which of the following are the features of a Soft State?

1. Non-possession of military force and war weapons.
2. Poor enforcement of rule of law.

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

**16.** A person X voluntarily acquires the citizenship of a foreign state. Under the Constitution of India, which of the following posts is he thus disqualified from holding?

1. President
2. Member of State Legislative Council
3. Officer of the Indian Administrative Services

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**17.** Which of the following statements is/are correct about Gram Nyayalayas?

1. Gram Nyayalayas are established by the High courts in consultation with the state governments.
2. Gram Nyayalaya shall be presided only by a retired judge of the High Court.
3. In civil disputes, Gram Nyayalayas shall not be bound by the Indian Evidence Act, 1872.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**18.** Article 35 gives the Parliament (and not the state legislatures) to have powers to make laws/ prescribe punishment for which of the following offence(s)?

1. Untouchability (Article 17).
2. Trafficking of human beings and forced labour (Article 23).
3. Restricting or abrogating the application of Fundamental Rights to members of armed forces (Article 33).

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

19. Right of free movement of which of the following is/are defined in Article 19?
1. Individual within the country
  2. Individual across national borders
  3. Movement of goods within the country
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 1 only
  - (b) 1 and 3 only
  - (c) 1 and 2 only
  - (d) 1, 2 and 3
20. With reference to the Pradhan Mantri Kisan SAMman Nidhi (PM-KISAN), consider the following statements:
1. Under the scheme, income support of Rs.6000/- per year in three equal installments will be provided.
  2. It is only available to the farmer families who collectively own cultivable land up to 2 hectares.
  3. The scheme to be implemented as a Central Sector Scheme with 100% financial support by the central government.
- 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
21. In the context of the Indian polity, which of the following statements best describes the term fraternity?
- (a) It refers to the formation of collective consciousness leading to unity and integrity of the nation.
  - (b) It refers to the voluntary sharing of collective burdens by individuals for the welfare of the society.
  - (c) It refers to an attitude of respect and reverence towards fellow men.
  - (d) It refers to the assurance of mutual tolerance towards all religion.
22. With reference to the Economic Census of India 2019, consider the following statements:
1. It is the complete count of all Indian establishments located within and outside the territory of India.
  2. It is conducted by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
  3. It will cover establishments in the non-farm sector including household enterprises.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
  - (b) 1 and 2 only
  - (c) 3 only
  - (d) 1 and 3 only
23. With reference to the recently released Food Safety and Standards (Packaging) Regulations, 2018, consider the following statements:
1. They ban the use of recycled plastics and newspapers for wrapping of food articles.
  2. Tin containers once used, must be re-used for the packaging of food.
  3. Compliance with these regulations is voluntary in nature.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
  - (b) 3 only
  - (c) 1 and 3 only
  - (d) 1, 2 and 3
24. The Supreme Court in NALSA judgment recognized the right to self-determination of gender identity. Following the judgement, the transgenders were entitled to which of the following fundamental rights?
1. Article 14
  2. Article 15
  3. Article 16
- Select the correct answer using the code given below.
- (a) 3 only
  - (b) 1, 2 and 3
  - (c) 2 only
  - (d) 1 and 3 only

25. With reference to India's membership of the Commonwealth of Nations, consider the following statements:

1. By its membership, India acknowledged the allegiance to the British Crown.
2. If the King or Queen of England visits India, he or she will not be entitled to any precedence over the President 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

26. The 'Christchurch Call To Action', recently seen in news is a/an initiative to

- (a) establish international understanding and cooperation on refugees crisis.
- (b) address the issue of violent extremist content online.
- (c) stabilise the oil prices.
- (d) support autonomy of Hongkong.

27. Consider the following statements with regards to fundamental rights:

1. President, on the advice of the council of ministers, can impose reasonable restrictions on the fundamental rights of the citizens.
2. Parliament decides upon the reasonableness of the restrictions placed on the fundamental rights of the citizens.

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

28. Consider the following pairs of features and the acts which introduced them first:

<i>Features</i>	<i>Acts</i>
1. Introduction of a Board of Control to manage political affairs	: Pitt's India Act of 1784
2. Introduction of Open Competition for selection of Civil Servants	: Charter Act of 1813
3. Association of Indians with the Executive Council of the Viceroy	: Indian Council Act of 1909

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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

29. Services Trade Restrictiveness Index (STRI), an index denoting information on regulations affecting trade in services is released by the:

- (a) World Trade Organization
- (b) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
- (c) International Monetary Fund
- (d) World Economic Forum

30. Recently, DRDO has conducted successful tests of 'Abhyas', which is a/an:

- (a) nuclear powered submarine of Scorpene class.
- (b) high-speed autonomous flight drone.
- (c) light weight combat chopper.
- (d) intercontinental ballistic missile



31. The justiciability of the Fundamental Rights and the non-justiciability of the Directive Principles of State Policy, an essential feature of the Indian Constitution, has been adopted from which of the following sources?

- (a) Constitution of Ireland
- (b) Weimar Constitution
- (c) Canadian Constitution
- (d) Constitution of Australia

32. With respect to the High courts in India, President has which of the following powers?

- 1. Deciding the matter of dispute to the age of a Judge of a High Court.
- 2. Exclude the jurisdiction of the High Court from any Union territory.
- 3. Determine the strength of the High court.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

33. With reference to the recently changed definition of a 'Kilogram', which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. A kilogram will now be defined by being compared with a physical object as a standard of reference.
- 2. The definition of a kilogram will become universal.

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

34. With reference to the evolution of balance between Directive Principles of State Policy (DPSP) and Fundamental Rights (FR), consider the following pairs

Case	Judgement
1. Champakam : Dorairajan Case (1951)	DPSPs have to conform to and run as subsidiary to the FRs.
2. Golaknath : Case (1967)	FRs cannot be amended for the implementation of the DPSPs.
3. Minerva Mills Case (1980)	Supremacy to all the DPSPs over the FRs conferred by Articles 14 and 19.

Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

35. Which of the statements with regard to Ad-hoc judges of the Supreme Court is *not* correct?

- (a) They are appointed by the Chief Justice of India when there is lack of quorum of the permanent judges to hold or continue any session of the Supreme Court.
- (b) They should be qualified for appointment as a judge of the High Court.
- (c) It is their duty to attend the sittings of the Supreme Court, in priority to other duties of his office.
- (d) They enjoy all the jurisdiction, powers and privileges as a judge of the Supreme Court while appointed as adhoc judges.

36. Consider the following statements with reference to Article 20 of the Indian Constitution:

1. It provides for protection against double jeopardy.
2. Under it, a public servant punished in the court of law, may be subjected to the departmental proceedings for the same offense.

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

37. Recently white-throated rail, the only flightless bird known in the Indian Ocean area, which was thought to be extinct, re-emerged through a process of repeated evolution of similar or parallel structures from the same ancestor, at a different time.

This process of evolution is

- (a) Convergent Evolution
- (b) Divergent Evolution
- (c) Iterative Evolution
- (d) Adaptive Radiation

38. Which of the following states was/were a Union Territory before attaining statehood?

1. Manipur
2. Sikkim
3. Himachal Pradesh

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

39. With reference to Ongole cattle, recently seen in the news, consider the following statements:

1. It is an indigenous breed of draught animal native to Andhra Pradesh.
2. Ongole Bull possesses resistance to both foot and mouth disease and mad cow disease.

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

40. How is Parliamentary form of Government different from the Presidential form?

1. It enables cooperation between the legislature and the executive while ensuring complete power separation.
2. It ensures collective as well as individual responsibility of the Executive.
3. It generally ensures political homogeneity of the Executive.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

41. Which of the statements regarding 'equal protection of laws' as provided under the Indian Constitution is **not** correct?

1. Equal subjection of all persons to the ordinary law of the land administered by ordinary law courts.
2. Similar application of the same laws to all persons who are similarly situated.
3. Absence of special privileges for any person.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) None



42. Recently there has been a focus on exploring the possibility of mining graphite along the India-China border. In this context, consider the following statements:

1. Arunachal Pradesh has the highest graphite deposits in the country.
2. India is the largest producer of graphite in the world.

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

43. Which of the following statements is correct with respect to the Fundamental Rights under Part III of the Indian Constitution?

- (a) The Fundamental Rights are meant for promoting the ideals of social and economic democracy.
- (b) They are sacrosanct in nature.
- (c) Their application to the members of the Armed Forces can be abrogated by the President.
- (d) None of the statements (a), (b) and (c) given above is correct.

44. With reference to Foreigners Tribunals (FT), consider the following statements:

1. These are statutory bodies setup under the Citizenship Act, 1955.
2. Each foreigners tribunal must be headed by a serving judge of a High court.
3. Currently, foreigners tribunals have been setup only in Assam.

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

45. Which of the following features were unique about the recently occurred cyclone Fani?

1. It originated very close to the equator in the Bay of Bengal.
2. It had a very short lifespan of two days.
3. It was an extremely severe cyclone which developed in the summer months.

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

46. With reference to the doctrine of 'basic structure' laid down by the Supreme Court of India, which of the following are considered as a basic feature of the Indian Constitution?

1. Effective access to justice
2. The supremacy of the Fundamental Rights over the Directive Principle of State Policy.
3. Social Justice
4. Proclamation of Emergency

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

47. Which of the following may result in loss of citizenship of an Indian citizen?

1. If the citizen voluntarily acquires citizenship of another country.
2. If the citizen has been ordinarily resident out of India for seven years continuously.
3. If the citizen has shown disloyalty to the Constitution of India.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

48. Arrange the following states in the chronological order of their formation:

1. Haryana
2. Nagaland
3. Gujarat

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

49. With reference to Vedanta Desikan, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. He was one of the most prominent preceptors in the Sri Vaishnava tradition.
2. He was a contemporary of the bhakti saint Ramanuja.

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

50. Consider the following statements:

1. Any alteration that the Constitution of India undergoes is deemed as an amendment of the Indian Constitution.
2. Amendment in the constitutional provisions related to the administration of the scheduled tribes would not require the consent of the state legislatures.

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

51. India and a neighboring country are having a maritime border dispute which can be resolved without India having to cede any of its territories. Such a settlement can be effected by

- (a) A constitutional amendment by a special majority.
- (b) A constitutional amendment by a special majority and also the consent of half of the state legislatures.
- (c) Executive action without the need of any constitutional amendment.
- (d) The passage of a law by the parliament with simple majority.

52. Consider the following statements:

1. A constitutional bench is constituted and always presided by the Chief Justice of India.
2. The Constitution provides that a constitutional bench must consist of a minimum of nine judges of the Supreme Court.
3. Petition questioning election of Vice-President shall be posted before constitutional bench of the Supreme Court.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

53. In the context of human rights, which of the following is the most appropriate description of the term 'negative rights'?

- (a) Rights that require judicial intervention in order to be realized.
- (b) Set of rights which a certain group, such as army, is not entitled to exercise.
- (c) Rights that require others to abstain from interfering with individual actions.
- (d) Rights which put an obligation on others to provide some benefit to the rights holder.

54. The objective of the Government of India Act, 1915 was to:
- increase the number of non-official members in the Central Legislative Assembly.
  - lay the foundation of a representative and popular government in India.
  - consolidate all the preceding acts of Parliament concerning British India..
  - consolidate all the ordinances passed by the Governor-General of India related to national security.

55. With reference to different political systems, consider the following pairs:

**Type of Defining Feature  
Government**

- Plutocracy : System of rule by the politically corrupt people
- Kleptocracy : System of rule by wealthy people
- Technocracy : System of rule by technical experts

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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

56. Recently, the Government of India has released a five-year vision plan 'EQUIP' to:
- ensure access to quality higher education.
  - make India a net defence exporter.
  - ensure access and affordability of tertiary health sector.
  - help women entrepreneurs achieve self-reliance.

57. Which of the following features was/were introduced for the first time by the Indian Councils Act 1909?

- Non-official majority in all the Provincial Legislative Councils.
- Power to move resolutions on any matter of general public interest and to divide the Council upon them.
- Office of Vice-President at both the center and the provinces.
- Separate electorates for Muslims.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

58. Chang'e 4 and ARTEMIS, recently seen in the news, are:

- Earth like exoplanets.
- greenhouse gas observing satellites jointly launched by China and United States of America respectively.
- lunar exploration programmes of China and United States of America respectively.
- space debris removal missions of South Korea and France respectively.

59. With reference to Constitutionalism, which of the following statements is the most appropriate?

- It is an ideology which promotes supremacy of a written Constitution.
- It means Constitution is necessary in a democratic country.
- It denotes the principle that the government derives its authority from a body of fundamental law and is limited by it.
- It means that Constitution must provide certain inalienable rights to the citizens.

**60.** With respect to Contempt of Court, consider the following statements:

1. Both the Supreme Court and High Courts derive their contempt powers from the Indian Constitution.
2. The expression 'Scandalising the court' comes under the civil contempt of court.
3. Contempt of Court is included in the appellate jurisdiction of the High court.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

**61.** The beginning of the Parliamentary System in India can be traced back to which of the following Acts?

- (a) Charter Act of 1853
- (b) Government of India Act, 1858
- (c) Government of India Act, 1919
- (d) Government of India Act, 1935

**62.** Which of the following provisions in the Indian constitution are associated with reservations in India?

1. Article 15
2. Article 16
3. Article 335

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

**63.** With reference to Masala Bonds, consider the following statements:

1. It can be subscribed only by multilateral and regional financial institutions where India is a member country.
2. Money raised through these bonds can be used for the purchase of land and investment in capital markets.
3. Recently, Maharashtra became the first Indian state to tap into the market for masala bonds.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) None

**64.** Which of the following bodies enjoy a constitutional status and are non-permanent in nature?

1. Inter-State Council
2. Finance Commission
3. Delimitation Commission
4. Special Officer for linguistic minorities

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**65.** Which of the following provisions find mention in both Directive Principles of State Policy and Fundamental Duties?

1. Protection of environment and forest
2. Development of scientific temper
3. Promotion of the spirit of common brotherhood
4. Promote equal justice and to provide free legal aid to the poor

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

66. Which of the following rights/privileges are **not** enjoyed by an Overseas Citizen of India (OCI)?

1. Contest Assembly elections
2. Voting in general elections
3. Appointment to public services

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

67. Consider the following statements regarding the Preamble:

1. It was adopted by the Constituent Assembly after the draft Constitution had been approved.
2. It was not voted upon by the Constituent Assembly.

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

68. Consider the following statements with reference to state reorganization in India after independence:

1. The State Reorganisation Commission of 1953 identified linguistic homogeneity as a possible factor for reorganisation of states.
2. The States Reorganisation Act of 1956 advocated 'one language-one state' as the sole basis for reorganisation of states.
3. Odisha was the first linguistic state to have been created under the States Reorganisation Act.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) None

69. With reference to the fundamental rights, which of the following is/are prohibited under Article 23?

1. Child Labour
2. Compulsory service for the public purpose
3. Devadasi system

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

70. With respect to Family courts, consider the following statements:

1. Parties have no legal right to be represented by a legal practitioner.
2. An appeal against the courts order shall lie to the High Court only.

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

71. Consider the following statements regarding Objectives Resolution:

1. It was introduced by Dr B. R Ambedkar in the Constituent assembly.
2. It laid down the securing of liberty and equality as one of the fundamentals of the constitutional structure.
3. It declared the people of India as the source of all power and authority of the sovereign and independent India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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



72. While the Constituent Assembly debated the inclusion of the term 'socialist', it was omitted at a later stage from the original text of the preamble. Which of the following statements best describes the reasons for its omission?

- It was omitted on account of the strong influence of the American capitalist system on the constituent assembly.
- It was against the principles of democracy for the constitution to decide the kind of society people should live in.
- It was omitted to encourage the private sector investment for growth and development.
- It was seen as minority appeasement as it catered to only one particular section of the society i.e. the poor.

73. In the context of the Indian Constitution, the "union of the trinity", as described by Dr Ambedkar, includes:

- liberty, equality and fraternity
- the legislature, the executive and the judiciary
- Fundamental rights, Directive principles of state policy and Fundamental duties
- Union list, State list and the Concurrent list in the Seventh Schedule

74. Which of the following parts of the Constitution reveal the asymmetric federal character of the Indian State?

- Schedule I
- Schedule IV
- Schedule VI
- Schedule VII

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

75. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the National Population Register (NPR)?

- It is a register containing the names of Indian Citizens only.
- The NPR database contains the demographic as well as biometric particulars.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

76. Consider the following statements with reference to the inclusion of princely states at the time of independence:

- At the time of independence, only fifty percent of the princely states had joined India.
- Junagarh was made a part of India by means of a referendum.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

77. Which of the following fundamental rights are available against the actions of both the state as well as private individuals?

- No discrimination on the basis of his/her race and religion
- Abolition of untouchability
- Prohibition of human trafficking
- Prohibition of child labor

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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



78. The 'Essentiality doctrine' forms the basis of which of the following provisions of the Indian Constitution?

- (a) Article 14 and Article 15 of the Indian Constitution
- (b) Article 22 and Article 23 of the Indian Constitution
- (c) Article 44 in the Directive Principles of State Policy
- (d) Article 25 and 26 of the Indian Constitution

79. Which of the following feature(s) was/were borrowed by the Indian Constituent assembly from the American Constitution?

- 1. Due Process of Law
- 2. Vice-President as the chairperson of the Upper House
- 3. Integrated Judiciary

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

80. With reference to the preventive detention in India, consider the following statements:

- 1. It is mandatory to inform the detainee of the grounds of arrest before he/she is taken into the custody.
- 2. It is compulsory to produce the detained person before a magistrate within 24 hours.

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

81. Consider the following statements regarding the Constituent Assembly:

- 1. It repealed the India Independence Act of 1947 by the passage of objectives resolution in its first session.
- 2. It was considered as a sovereign body by Mahatma Gandhi.

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

82. In the context of the Collegium system, consider the following statements:

- 1. Collegium is a five-member body that assists in the appointment of the judges of the higher judiciary.
- 2. There is no mention of the term collegium in the Indian Constitution.

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

83. In which among the following cases Supreme Court's advice is/are binding on the President?

- 1. Any advice given by the Supreme Court related to pre-constitutional treaty or agreement to the President.
- 2. Recommendation of the Supreme Court advising removal of the Union Public Service Commission chairman.
- 3. Recommendations of the Supreme Court collegium on matters of appointment of judges of the supreme court.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**84.** Which of the following are the essential features of a 'state'?

1. Well defined territory
2. Homogenous cultural beliefs
3. Sovereignty
4. A form of Government

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**85.** Which among the following recently became the first nation to declare climate emergency?

- (a) Sweden
- (b) Ireland
- (c) United Kingdom
- (d) Germany

**86.** Freedom of Speech and Expression in any democratic polity ensures which of the following?

1. Proper functioning of the democratic process by giving way to public opinion.
2. Self-development and fulfilment of individual personalities.
3. Reflects and reinforce pluralism.

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

**87.** As per clause (5) in Article 15, State can make special provisions, by law, for the advancement of any socially and educationally backward classes of citizens or for the Scheduled Castes or the Scheduled Tribes in so far as such special provisions relate to their admission to educational institutions.

Which type of educational institutions are covered under this provision?

1. Aided Private educational institutions
2. Unaided Private educational
3. Minority educational institutions

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

**88.** Which of the following violate(s) the principle of separation of powers?

1. Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme
2. Inclusion of executive in a non-majority capacity in the commission for appointment of Judiciary
3. Authority of the Parliament to decide on the question and consequent punishment over breach of its privilege

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) 3 only

**89.** Right to Equality under Article 14 mentions which of the following?

1. Equal pay for equal work for men and women
2. Equality before Law
3. Equal protection of laws

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**90.** With reference to 'Memory of the World Programme', which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It seeks to preserve the documentary heritage in various parts of the world.
2. It has been established by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

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

**91.** In the context of the constitutional history of India, which among the following reports/bills was published earliest?

- (a) Karachi Resolution
- (b) Nehru report
- (c) Swaraj bill
- (d) Commonwealth of India bill

**92.** Recently, the region remained submerged for weeks during Kerala floods. Kerala government has decided to replicate "Room of the river" project of the Netherland government in this region. The region is famous for its below-sea-level farming system.

- (a) Koraput
- (b) Kuttanad
- (c) Pampore
- (d) Tiruppur

**93.** The Constitution has made which of the following provisions to safeguard and ensure the independence of Supreme Court?

1. It has freedom to appoint its staff.
2. Its jurisdiction cannot be curtailed by the Parliament.
3. Retired judges are prohibited from practice after retirement.

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

**94.** With reference to the differences between National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) and Real-Time Gross Settlement (RTGS), consider the following statements:

1. Both NEFT and RTGS facilitate the transfer of funds on a real-time basis.
2. While the minimum transfer value under RTGS is one rupee, it is Rs two lakhs under NEFT.
3. While NEFT was introduced by RBI, RTGS was introduced by National Payments Corporation of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) None

**95.** Consider the following statements regarding the Directive Principles of State Policy in the Indian Constitution:

1. It is the duty of the state to apply these principles in making laws.
2. The directive principles are like the Instrument of Instructions enumerated in the Government of India Act of 1935.

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

**96.** With reference to MANAV: Human Atlas initiative, consider the following statements:

1. It aims at creating a database network of all tissues in the human body from the available scientific literature.
2. It is funded by the Ministry of Human Resource Development.
3. Only students pursuing post-graduation are eligible to take part in the project.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

97. With reference to the Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR), consider the following statements:

1. It is a global partnership that helps developing countries reduce their vulnerability to natural hazards and climate change.
2. It is a grant-funding mechanism managed by the World Bank.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

98. With reference to Technical Textiles, which of the statement is **not** correct?

1. These are functional fabrics which have wide-ranging applications in various industries.
2. Government of India has allowed up to 100% FDI under automatic route for the technical textiles segment.
3. The technical textiles contribute more than 30 per cent of the textile industry in India.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

99. With reference to the removal of the judges of the Supreme Court, consider the following statements:

1. Provision of removal of judges is taken from the Government of India Act, 1935
2. The motion for removal of judges lapses on the dissolution of 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

100. Consider the following statements regarding Citizenship by descent:

1. It can be acquired by both persons born in and outside India.
2. For a person to acquire this citizenship, both his parents must be citizens of India at the time of his birth.

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