

# ANALOG IAS ACADEMY



## JANUARY MONTH

### CURRENT AFFAIRS BASED PRELIMS QUESTIONS

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1. Consider the following statement with reference to the Muslim women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Bill, 2018?

1. It has banned only Talaq-e-biddat leaving Talaq-e-hasan and Talaq-e-ehsan.
2. The case can be registered against husband even if the neighbor complains against him.
3. A non- bail able imprisonment of 3 years and compensation to wife is also included.
4. Muslim derrick is also a stakeholder in it.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

2. Recently AFSPA has been extended in Nagaland, choose the correct option regarding AFSPA?

1. It is enforced and revoked by the state government on the advice of central government.
2. It can be enforced in a part or whole of a state.
3. The right of Habeas Corpus is suspended in the region.
4. The Act provides sweeping power to the security forces.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

3. Consider the following statements with reference to the “Digital Detox app” which was recently seen in news.

1. This app will help people to know the air quality around their area.
2. It was developed by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

4. Choose the correct statements from the following with reference to the “Khushi Scheme” which was recently seen in news.

1. Center Government has launched this scheme to empowered women by providing skill, training in self defence.
2. This scheme was launched by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

5. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the National Biodiversity targets of India?

1. The measures are adopted for sustainable management of agriculture, forestry and fisheries by 2020.
2. The values of biodiversity are integrated into national and state planning processes, development programmes and poverty alleviation strategies by 2020.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

6. What are “Aichi Targets”, consider the following statements with reference to it.

1. The ‘Aichi Targets’ were adopted by the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) at its Nagoya conference.
2. One of its targets is to improve the status of biodiversity by safeguarding ecosystems, species and genetic diversity.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

7. “OSIRIS-Rex mission” was recently seen in news; consider the following statements with reference to it.

1. It was designed to visit an asteroid and return a sample of its dust back to Earth.
2. OSIRIS-REx is the third mission in NASA’s New Frontiers program.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

8. Consider the following statements with reference to the “Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS)”.

1. It is the only central scheme under the PMAY-Urban and the remaining ones are implemented as sponsored schemes.
2. It is implemented by the central nodal agencies named National Housing Bank.
3. Under the scheme, the central government provides interest subsidy for a house to cater Economical Weaker section.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

9. “Fiscal stability Report” was recently released, consider the following statements with reference to it.

1. It reflects the collective assessment of the Sub-Committee of the Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC) on risks to the financial stability of the country.
2. “Fiscal stability Report” was released by the Ministry of Finance.

Choose the correct code:

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

10. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the “Shaala Siddhi”?

1. It is standard and evaluation frame work for monuments of the India.
2. It has been developed by the Archaeological Survey of India.

Choose the correct code:

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

11. “PINDICS” was recently seen in news, consider the following statements with reference to it.

1. It is a framework for assessing teacher performance and providing constructive feedback for further improvement.
2. It has been developed by National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA).

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

12. “Diksha” was recently seen in news, consider the following statements with reference to it.

1. It is a new AI-based assistant launched by the IRCTC.
2. This new assistant will be prompt in answering generic queries about most frequently asked questions on the ticket booking platform.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

13. “Panda Bonds” was recently seen news, consider the following statements with reference to it.

1. Panda bonds are Chinese renminbi-denominated bonds sold in the People’s Republic of China.
2. Recently Asian Development Bank has decided to launch Panda Bonds to raise loans from Chinese capital markets.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**14.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Saubhagya scheme”.

- 1.** The Saubhagya Scheme or Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana is an Indian government project to provide electricity to all households.
- 2.** Recently India is likely to achieve 100 per cent household electrification before 2019 Republic Day.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**15.** “Survey on Retail Payment Habits of Individuals (SRPHi)” was recently seen in news, consider the following statements with reference to it.

- 1.** The survey seeks qualitative responses from individuals on their payment habits.
- 2.** The survey will provide insights into awareness and usage habits of digital payment products.
- 3.** The survey will be conducted by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- 4.** The Survey will capture payment habits of individuals in the country.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**16.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “International Whaling Commission (IWC)”.

- 1.** The IWC aims at providing for the proper conservation of whale stocks and make possible the orderly development of the whaling industry.
- 2.** Recently Japan has announced its decision to withdraw from the International Whaling Commission (IWC).
- 3.** India, Sri Lanka and Indonesia are not the member of the International Whaling Commission.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**17.** Which of the following statements is/are not correct the Procedure for changing Names of the cities?

- 1.** The proposals of the states would be scrutinised by the Union Home Ministry and the governor of the state.
- 2.** The Ministry approves the proposal after taking no-objections from the Ministry of Railways, Department of Posts and Survey of India.

Choose the correct code:

- (a)** Only 1
- (b)** Only 2
- (c)** Both 1 and 2
- (d)** Neither 1 and 2

**18.** Choose the correct statements from the following regarding “Indian Bridge Management System (IBMS)”.

1. IBMS is the largest platform in the world owned by a single owner.
2. The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has inventoried bridges/structures under Indian Bridge Management System (IBMS).
3. Under the IBMS, each bridge is assigned a unique identification number or National Identity Number based on the state.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
- (d)

**19.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Saubhagya scheme”?

1. Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) has been designated as nodal agency for the Saubhagya scheme.
2. Scope of the scheme is to providing last mile connectivity and electricity connections to all un-electrified households in rural and urban areas.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**20.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the “Samwad with Students” (SwS)?

1. ISRO aims to engage youngsters across India to capture their scientific temperament.
2. The new conversation mission will inspire students cutting across schools and colleges.

Choose the correct code:

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

**21.** Choose the correct statements from the following with reference to the “Cinereous vulture”.

1. It is classified as Near Threatened under the IUCN Red List.
2. Recently bird watchers and researchers sighted Cinereous vulture in Hazaribagh in Bihar.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**22.** Consider the following statements with reference to the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA).

1. It organises Lok Adalats for amicable settlement of disputes.
2. Attorney General for India is the Executive Chairman of the Authority.
3. The function of the NALSA also includes spreading legal literacy and awareness, undertaking social justice litigations.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**23.** Which of the following key features is/are correct with reference to the “PARIVESH”?

1. Parivesh is a web-based workflow application that has been developed for online submission of under privileged children for going school.
2. It was developed by the Ministry of Communication and Information Technology with collaboration of the ministry of women and child development.

Choose the correct code:

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

**24.** “KrishakBandhu scheme” was recently seen in news; consider the following statements regarding it.

1. The Krishak Bandhu scheme is to address the farm distress in the state.
2. It was launched by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.
3. Government will give annual financial assistance of Rs 5,000 per acre in two installments, one during Kharif and another during Rabi season.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**25.** Consider the following statements regarding Alkaline Phosphatase (ALP), which was recently seen in news.

1. Alkaline Phosphatase or ALP is an indicator of milk quality.
2. Its presence even after pasteurization indicates presence of microbes that may not have been rendered inactive with pasteurization.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 and 2

**26.** Recently Aadhaar amendment Bill introduced in Lok Sabha, consider the following statements with reference to it.

1. The amendment permits children, who would turn 18 years old, to opt out of the system.
2. The bill makes it clear that anyone not offering Aadhaar cannot be denied any service, be it a bank account or a SIM card.
3. The bill provides for stiff penalties for violation of norms set for the use of Aadhaar.



Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**27.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2016”.

1. Recently a Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) has adopted a report clearing the contentious Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2016.
2. The Bill provides that the registration of Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholders cannot be cancelled in any case.
3. The bill seeks to ban illegal migrants from certain minority communities in Afghanistan, Bangladesh and Pakistan for Indian citizenship.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**28.** Choose the correct statements from the following regarding “Angel tax” which was recently seen in news?

1. Angel Tax is a 30% tax that is levied on the funding received by startups from an external investor.
2. It is counted as income to the company and is taxed.
3. Angel Tax clause subject to fulfillment of certain terms and conditions, as specified by the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP).

Choose the correct code:

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

**29.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Bharatmala Pariyojana”.

1. It is the second largest highways construction project in the country since National Highways Development Project (NHDP).
2. Bharatmala will look to improve connectivity on economic corridors.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**30.** “Green – Ag Project” was recently seen in news; consider the following statements with reference to it.

1. The Green-Ag project seeks to integrate sustainable land management objectives and practices into Indian agriculture.
2. The project would be implemented in collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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



**31.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding “Global Environment Facility (GEF)”?

- 1.** It is an international partnership of 183 countries, international institutions, civil society organizations and the private sector that addresses global environmental issues.
- 2.** United Nations Environment Programme serves as the GEF Trustee, administering the GEF Trust Fund.

Choose the correct code:

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

**32.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Ujjwala Sanitary Napkins initiative?

- 1.** The Ujjwala Sanitary Napkins initiative is a scheme launched by the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.
- 2.** 100 manufacturing units at the Common Service Centers (CSC) will be set up in 1000 districts, all over India, in the first phase of the initiative.

Choose the correct code:

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

**33.** Consider the following statements regarding the Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augmentation (KALIA) Scheme

- 1.** The KALIA scheme has been launched by the government of Odisha.
- 2.** The KALIA scheme will cover 92% of the loaned farmers and landless agricultural laborers only.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**34.** Consider the following statements regarding AFSPA

- 1.** AFSPA empowers security forces to conduct operations anywhere and arrest anyone without any prior notice, in the region or State which has been declared as ‘disturbed’ under AFSPA.
- 2.** The entire state of Nagaland is under AFSPA currently.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**35.** The Digital Detox app developed by the Service for Healthy Use of Technology (SHUT) clinic in National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences aims at which of the following?

- (a) To cure mental health through AI in mobile phones
- (b) To cure mobile addiction in people.
- (c) To keep people safe from social media disturbances.
- (d) To keep people mentally active through stimulating brain functioning through questions.

**36.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct Ultima Thule?

- 1. Ultima Thule is a mysterious distant object in the Kuiper Belt.
- 2. Ultima Thule was discovered in 2014 with the help of the Hubble Space Telescope.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**37.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the monuments of national importance?

- 1. The monuments of national importance are declared by the Home Ministry.
- 2. Uttar Pradesh has the maximum number of monuments of national importance.
- 3. To qualify as monument of national importance, the monument needs to be in existence for not less than 100 years.

Choose the correct code:

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

**38.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Plain Packaging?

- 1. Plain Packaging standardizes the appearance of Tobacco products.
- 2. Plain packaging increases the effectiveness of health warnings and reduces the attractiveness of tobacco products.
- 3. India has taken up the initiative of Plain packaging in 2018.

Choose the correct code:

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

**39.** Consider the following statements regarding the Western Ghats.

- 1. The Western Ghats lie in the states of Kerala, Karnataka, Goa and Maharashtra only.
- 2. Two committees led by Madhav Gadgil and K.Kasturirangan have provided suggestions for the conservation of Western Ghats.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**40.** Consider the following statements regarding the Committee on Government Assurances

1. Only the Rajya Sabha has a committee on Government Resources constituted every year.
2. Committee on Government Assurances' main function is to scrutinize the assurances, promises, undertakings, etc., given by Ministers, from time to time, on the floor of the Council.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**41.** Consider the following statements regarding the initiatives of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways?

1. The year 2019-20 has been declared by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways as the year of construction.
2. Bhoomi Rashi portal has been launched for extensively speeding up notification for land acquisition.
3. The Chardham Mahamarg Vikas Pariyojna has been launched to connect four prominent Dhams in four states

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**42.** Which of the following aims to connect to student through a new platform named "Samwad with Students" (SwS)?

- (a) NITI Aayog
- (b) Ministry of HRD
- (c) ISRO
- (d) IIT Bombay

**43.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct the National Database on Sexual Offenders (NDSO)?

1. National Database on Sexual Offenders (NDSO) has been launched by the Ministry of Home Affairs.
2. The National Database on Sexual Offenders (NDSO) can be used by any victim of sex offence to update the list of Sexual Offenders.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**44.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Interest Equalisation Scheme?

1. The Interest Equalisation Scheme targets the agricultural sector of the country.
2. The operational instructions of the scheme would be issued by RBI.
3. The Interest Equalisation Scheme was earlier known as the Interest Subvention scheme.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**45.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct as per the RTI applications in the year 2017-18?

1. The RTI applications received in the year 2017-18 saw an increase by 26% than what was reported during 2016-17.
2. Highest percentage of RTI applications rejected was reported by High Court of Delhi and Ministry of Home Affairs.
3. There was a decrease in rejection of RTI applications in 2017-18, as compared to 2016-17.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**46.** Consider the following statements regarding the Bhoomi Rashi portal

1. The Bhoomi Rashi portal has been launched by the Ministry of Road Transport & Highways
2. Bhoomi Rashi will fully digitize and automate the entire process of land acquisition.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**47.** Consider the following statements regarding the Mahila Shakti Kendra (MSK) scheme

1. Mahila Shakti Kendra (MSK) scheme focuses on creating awareness and equipping women with information on issues of gender equality and empowerment.
2. Student Volunteers including, NSS/NCC Cadre will be engaged to undertake activities of Mahila Shakti Kendras.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**48.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct the Climate change Performance Index?

1. The Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) is an instrument designed to enhance transparency in international climate politics.
2. In the year 2018's index, Sweden leads the ranking, followed by Morocco and Lithuania.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

49. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Channapatna craft?

1. The Channapatna craft is a traditional wooden toy-and-doll craft Karnataka.
2. The Channapatna handcraft can be traced to the reign of Tipu Sultan who invited artisans from Persia to train local artisans in the making of the wooden toys.
3. The Channapatna craft has been granted GI tag.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

50. Consider the following statements with reference to the “Atal Solar Krishi Pump Yojana” which was recently seen in news?

1. Under this scheme government has decided to give two LED bulbs, a DC fan and a mobile charging socket as freebies to farmers.
2. This scheme is to reduce losses due to non-payment of electricity bills and promote solar energy.
3. This scheme was launched by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

51. Consider the following statements with reference to the “Street Light National Programme (SLNP)”.

1. It mitigates climate change by implementing energy efficient LED based street lighting.
2. It provides a sustainable service model that obviates the need for upfront capital investment as well as additional revenue expenditure to pay for procurement of LED lights.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

52. Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding Chang’e-4?

1. The Chang’e-4 is a lunar probe launched by China.
2. The probe touched down near the Moon’s South Pole.
3. The probe gave first ever close-range image of the far side of the moon.

Choose the correct code:

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

**53.** Consider the following statements regarding the moon 'Io'

1. Moon 'Io' is a moon of Jupiter
2. It is believed to be the most volcanic body in the Solar system.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**54.** Consider the following statements regarding the Kadaknath Chicken

1. The Kadaknath Chicken is traditionally reared by the Jhabua's adivasi communities from Madhya Pradesh.
2. GI tag has been granted to the Kadaknath Chicken.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**55.** Consider the following statements regarding the School Dropout rate in the country

1. Bihar has the highest dropout rate in the country.
2. Dropout rate among Adivasis is the highest among all the communities.
3. There is no gender disparity among in dropouts.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**56.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct the Light Combat Aircraft Tejas?

1. The Tejas aircraft is being designed and developed by the Aeronautical Development Agency.
2. The FOC (Final operational clearance) tag for the LCA is given when the aircraft is fully equipped and fit for battle.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**57.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Menstrual Hygiene Scheme?

1. The Scheme is being implemented for adolescent girls in the age group of 10-19 years primarily in rural areas.
2. The Scheme is a part of the Rashtriya Kishor SwasthyaKaryakram.
3. Funds are provided to States/UTs under National Health Mission for decentralized procurement of sanitary napkins.



Choose the correct code:

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

**58.** Consider the following statements with reference to the Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) which was recently seen in news?

1. It was set up under Ministry of Power (India) to facilitate implementation of energy efficiency projects.
2. EESL undertakes social audits in all states post the completion of the Street Lighting National Programme (SLNP).

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**59.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding “Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2019”?

1. Its aim is to encourage political and social pressure on those countries which have, up to now, failed to take ambitious actions on climate protection.
2. India ranks 11th in this year’s CCPI, improving its standing by three places compared to the previous edition.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**60.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the NASA’s discovery of a new planet?

1. NASA’s probe for discovering planets has recently discovered a planet outside the solar system.
2. The probe for new planets has been discovered by the Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite (TESS).
3. The recently discovered planet is smaller in size than that of the earth.

Choose the correct code:

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

**61.** Consider the following statements regarding Swachh Rail Survey 2018

1. The Swachh Rail Survey 2018 recorded a general improvement in the cleanliness of stations.
2. The survey gives score based on process evaluation, direct observation and citizen feedback.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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



**62.** The Reserve of India (RBI) has allowed all card payment networks to offer tokenisation service. Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding Tokenisation?

1. The card payment networks can charge a nominal amount, specified by the RBI, for rendering the tokenisation service.
2. Tokenisation involves a process in which a unique token masks sensitive card detail.
3. A card holder can avail of tokenisation services by registering the card on the token requestor's app and after giving 'explicit consent'.

Choose the correct code:

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

**63.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the '#www: Web-Wonder Women' online campaign?

1. The campaign has been launched by UN Women.
2. This Campaign will recognize and acknowledge the efforts of these meritorious Women.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**64.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Rohingya in India?

1. Between 2015-2018, the number of Rohingya arrested by the BSF was the least in the year 2018.
2. The arrested Rohingya are booked under the Foreigners Act.
3. Among the states bordering Myanmar, Assam has been the most porous border for the illegal entry of Rohingya in India.

Choose the correct code:

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

**65.** Consider the following statements regarding the Kyasanur Forest disease

1. The Kyasanur Forest disease is also known as the 'Monkey fever'.
2. Humans cannot get infected by the disease.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**66.** Consider the following statements regarding LakhonKhol.

1. Lakhonkhol is a dance form from Cambodia, which depicts the Ramayana.
2. LakhonKhol has been listed as one of the UNESCO intangible cultural heritage.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**67.** Consider the following statements regarding the Agasthyarkoodam peak

1. The Agasthyarkoodam peak is a peak in Kerala.
2. Agasthyarkoodam peak lies in the Neyyar Wildlife Sanctuary.
3. There is a ban on women to trek up to the Agasthyarkoodam peak.

Choose the correct code:

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

**68.** The Qasr al-Farid tomb, a UNESCO World Heritage site is situated in which of the following countries?

- (a) India
- (b) Cambodia
- (c) Saudi Arabia
- (d) Ethiopia

**69.** The Koh Phangan and Koh Samui, are islands seen recently in news, are part of the following countries?

- (a) Japan
- (b) Russia
- (c) Thailand
- (d) China

**70.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct the Gandhi circuit?

1. Development of Gandhi Circuit is taking place in Gujarat.
2. The Gandhi circuit is being developed under the Rural Circuit theme of Swadesh Darshan Scheme.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**71.** The Central government has set up a high level committee headed by former IAS officer M.P.Bezbaruah, for which of the following purposes?

- (a) To investigate the feasibility of implementation of the Jaitapur Nuclear project
- (b) To recommend on the bifurcation of different tribes into sub-tribes in Arunachal Pradesh
- (c) To assess the appropriate level of reservation of Assamese people in Assam Assembly
- (d) To assess the vacancy situation in bodies like CBI.

**72.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the European Refugee crisis, due to asylum seekers from Asia and Africa, in the recent years?

1. The number of asylum seekers crossing the Mediterranean has been the lowest in the year 2018, since the beginning of the European Refugee crisis.
2. Refugees increasingly prefer to enter Europe through Spain, rather than Italy or Greece.
3. The Refugee crisis peaked in the year 2015.

Choose the correct code:

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

**73.** Which of the following can be a part of the process to bring in 10% quota for the Economically Backward sections in the general category of citizens?

1. Amendment of Article 15(4) and Article 16(4).
2. Passing of such a bill by the Parliament by absolute majority and a toe-thirds majority of members present and voting.

Choose the correct code:

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

**74.** Consider the following statements regarding Gas hydrates

1. Gas hydrates are formed when a gas such as methane gets trapped in well-defined cages of water molecules forming crystalline solids.
2. In terrestrial conditions, gas hydrates are formed naturally under the sea bed and glaciers under high pressure, low temperature conditions.

Choose the correct code:

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

**75.** The government has permitted private FM channels to broadcast All India Radio (AIR) News bulletins, in English/Hindi. Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding this new initiative?

1. The commercials which are broadcast on AIR during news bulletins shall also have to be carried along with the news in toto.
2. The Private FM Broadcasters will have to carry AIR News bulletins either simultaneously or deferred live by not more than 30 minutes.
3. The AIR News bulletins shall have to be carried in toto, in an unaltered form.

Choose the correct code:

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

**76.** Which of the following cities has been inscribed as India's first heritage city by UNESCO?

- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Mysore
- (c) Delhi
- (d) Ahmadabad

**77.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct Border Area Development Programme (BADP)?

1. The Border Area Development Programme (BADP) is part of the National Development Agenda.
2. The Border Area Development Programme (BADP) has been classified as a Core Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS)

Choose the correct code:

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

**78.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct?

1. Vijaya Bank and Dena Bank will be merged with Bank of Baroda, with effect from 1st April 2019.
2. The pay and allowances and services of the employees of all three banks will be revised to make it like that of Bank of Baroda.

Choose the correct code:

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

**79.** Which of the following is true regarding composition scheme, benefiting small businesses, mentioned in the GST norms?

1. It is meant for smaller businesses, allowing them to pay taxes involving less-onerous documentation owing to annual return filing.
2. It involves a flat rate of tax payment for businesses capped at respective annual turnovers.

Choose the correct code:

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

**80.** Consider the following statements regarding the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) to tackle air pollution

1. It is a midterm five-year plan aimed at reducing toxic air pollutants by 2024 keeping 2017 as base year.
2. It is pan India programme to cut down on air pollution.

Choose the correct code:

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

**81.** Consider the following statements regarding the Renuka Dam project in the Upper Yamuna Basin:

1. The dam has been conceived as a storage project on the Hindon River, Uttarakhand.
2. The project will provide water to Haryana, Delhi NCR, UP, Rajasthan.
3. The dam will be used to generate 40MW power.

Choose the correct code:

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

**82.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Chardhaam Project?

1. The Chardhaam project aims to connect four hilly towns from the states of Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh.
2. The project is a Central government project.
3. Being a special religious project, the project does not require Environmental Clearance.

Choose the correct code:

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

**83.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding PSLV-C44 mission?

1. PSLV-C44 mission will see a new variant of the PSLV in use, tagged PSLV-DL, will be the first to sport two strap-on boosters for providing added thrust.
2. With this mission, ISRO is planning to keep the fourth and final stage of the Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) 'alive' in space as a useful 'orbital platform', the rocket.

Choose the correct code:

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

**84.** Consider the following statements regarding the Samagra Shiksha scheme

1. Samagra Shiksha envisages 'school' as a continuum from pre-school, primary, upper primary, secondary to senior secondary levels.
2. Separate annual library grant has been provided under the scheme.
3. The girls in the age group 10-18 aspiring to study in Classes VI to XII and belonging to SC, ST, OBC, Minority communities and BPL families form the target group of the scheme.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**85.** Which of the following is true regarding National Clean Energy Fund (NCEF)?

1. It is a fund created by collecting the carbon tax (clean energy cess).
2. It is used to provide financial support to states for poverty alleviation, education and health.

Choose the correct code:

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

**86.** Consider the following statements regarding the One Stop Centre (OSC) or Sakhi centre:

1. It is a scheme working for medical, legal, psychological and police help for victims of gender-based abuse such as sexual assault or domestic violence.
2. It is sponsored fully by the Central government under the Nirbhaya fund set up for safety of women.

Choose the correct code:

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

**87.** Which of the following is true regarding the Moon?

1. Chandrayaan-1, Kaguya, Chang'e-1 and Artemis are some of the missions sent on the moon.
2. Unlike the Earth, the Moon has no global magnetic field originating from a magnetized core.

Choose the correct code:

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

**88.** Which of the following is true regarding the Clean Ganga Fund?

1. The Clean Ganga Fund was established as a Trust under the Indian Trusts Act.
2. The Fund would be managed by a Trust to be headed by Prime Minister.
3. Development of public amenities including activities such as Ghat redevelopment, is one of the activities financed by the fund.

Choose the correct code:

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

**89.** Government of India, Ministry of Tourism (MoT) launched which of the following scheme for integrated development of theme-based tourist circuits in the country?

- (a) The Swadesh Darshan Scheme.
- (b) The Pravasi Bhartiya Darshan Scheme.
- (c) The Deshka Darshan Scheme.
- (d) The Apna Desh Apna Gaon Scheme.

**90.** Which of the following is true regarding the Open market operations (OMO) tool of RBI?

1. Open market operations are the sale and purchase of government securities and treasury bills by RBI or the central bank of the country.
2. RBI carries out the OMO through commercial banks and does not directly deal with the public.
3. Open market operations are used to regulate inflation rate.

Choose the correct code:

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

**91.** Which of the following is true regarding GST in real estate businesses?

1. Under construction flats and houses attract a GST of 12%.
2. Ready-to-move-in flats with a completion certificate attract no GST.

Choose the correct code:

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

**92.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding 'Open-Air Lab' at Seno Ballena?

1. It is situated in the Chile's Patagonia region.
2. Being a fjord, it provides a dramatic insight into the changes in ocean and marine life in the next few decades.



Choose the correct code:

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

**93.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding 'Water harvesting'?

1. Desalination of sea water is the best method of water harvesting since volume of sea water is too high to cause any detrimental effect on it.
2. Fog harvesting to aquifers below the seabed are some of the methods of water harvesting.

Choose the correct code:

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

**94.** Which of the following is true regarding the Kumbh Mela?

1. Four fairs are held periodically at one of the following places by rotation: Prayagraj, Haridwar, Nashik district (Nashik and Trimbak), and Ujjain.
2. At Nashik and Haridwar, the Mela may be held while a planet is in Leo, it is also known as Simhastha.

Choose the correct code:

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

**95.** Which of the following is true regarding the 'MahaAgritech'?

1. It is launched in the state of Maharashtra.
2. Under the project area under cultivation from sowing to harvesting, climate, and diseases on crops will be monitored digitally using satellite and drone technology.
3. It is being supported by ISRO.

Choose the correct code:

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

**96.** Which of the following is true regarding Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs)?

1. Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) for ST students are set up in States / UTs.
2. EMRS is to be setup where there is more than 50% ST population and at least 20,000 tribal persons.

Choose the correct code:

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

**97.** Which of the following is true regarding the 'Gandhi Peace Prize'?

1. It was launched in 1995 on the 125th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.
2. The jury is chaired by the Prime Minister of India.
3. Only achievements within 10 years immediately preceding the nomination are considered for the award.



Choose the correct code:

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

**98.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct as per the ASER report 2018?

1. The ASER (Annual status of Education) Report is an annual report presented by the Ministry of HRD in the Parliament.
2. As per the ASER 2018 rural survey, more than half the students of class VIII cannot correctly solve a numerical division problem.
3. The gender gap has reduced.

Choose the correct code:

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

**99.** Which of the following is correct regarding the fishing community in India?

1. The Fisher community generates Rupees 48,000 to 75,000 crore for the economy.
2. Over 3000 hamlets reside along India's coast.

Choose the correct code:

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

**100.** Consider the following statements regarding the World Skills Competition

1. The 45th World Skills Competition will be hosted by Russia in the year 2019.
2. India is not a participant of the World Skills Competition.

Choose the correct code:

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

**101.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the new TRAI regulatory framework for DTH and local cable operators?

1. The new framework makes it mandatory for the service provider to offer every channel on an a la carte basis.
2. The MRP of the channels needs to be displayed on the TV screen through the Electronic Program Guide.
3. In case a subscriber has paid advance charges for a scheme with a future lock-in period like an annual plan, the distributor will continue to provide services for the committed period without any increase in price or charges.

Choose the correct code:

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

**102.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the National Industrial Classification of India?

1. The National Industrial Classification Code ("NIC Code") is a statistical standard for developing and maintaining a comparable data base for various economic activities.
2. The Central Statistical Organisation (CSO) in the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation is the nodal authority for bringing out the National Industrial Classification in India.

Choose the correct code:

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

**103.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding anti-lynching law?

1. Manipur is the first and the only state in the country to have anti-lynching law.
2. As per Supreme Court order, new anti-lynching law must be on lines of Section 153A of the IPC.

Choose the correct code:

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

**104.** Which of the following is true regarding 'Bal Sabhas' organized by Rajasthan Govt.?

1. It has been set up to identify and resolve issues in upper primary schools situated in the rural areas.
2. The Sabhas are for students and teachers exclusively.

Choose the correct code:

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

**105.** Which of the following is true regarding H1N1 influenza/ swine flu?

1. It is a type of respiratory disease, normally affecting pigs, though humans are highly susceptible.
2. Swine flu cases occur only in people with direct exposure to pigs.

Choose the correct code:

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

**106.** Which of the following statements are true?

1. Microsat-R is a military grade satellite assembled by DRDO.
2. PSLV-C44 will be the first attempt by ISRO to use the spent fourth stage (PS4) of the vehicle to establish an orbital platform for future experiments.
3. Kalamsat, a small student payload, will be the first to use PS4 as an orbital platform.

Choose the correct code:

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

**107.** Which of the following is true regarding the Vittiya Saksharta Abhiyan?

1. The programme has been launched by the Ministry of Finance.
2. It will engage students from Higher Education Institutes for increasing the reach of Digital payments.

Choose the correct code:

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

**108.** World's first ever thermal battery plant has been set up in which of the following states?

- (a) Karnataka.
- (b) Kerala.
- (c) Andhra Pradesh.
- (d) Tamil Nadu.

**109.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Fall Armyworm?

1. Fall Armyworm is an insect native of tropical and sub-tropical Americas.
2. It mainly attacks the crop of maize
3. In India, its infestation can be found in the states of Gujarat and Tamil Nadu.

Choose the correct code:

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

**110.** Which of the following is correct regarding Appayya Dikshitar?

1. Appayya Dikshitar was a great follower of Advaita Vedanta school of Hindu philosophy.
2. He is known for his works of Vedanta and mimamsa.

Choose the correct code:

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

**111.** Consider the following statements regarding the latest Pulse polio initiative in India

1. Aims at achieving 100% coverage and immunize children under the age of 5.
2. It is an initiative of the Ministry of Women and Child development.

Choose the correct code:

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

**112.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the IRCTC's Trains Cleanliness Survey?

1. Each train is ranked based on process evaluation, direct observation and passenger feedback.
2. Trains operated by Southern Railways are rated as the cleanest.
3. The passenger feedback is low in Northern Railways, despite high cleanliness score.

Choose the correct code:

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

**113.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the South Asian Nitrogen Hub?

1. The Hub aims to study the quantum and impact of nitrogen pollution in South Asia
2. The Hub is entirely funded by the South Asian countries.

Choose the correct code:

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

**114.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Zearalenone toxin?

1. Zearalenone toxin is a fungal toxin infesting cereal.
2. It attacks the crops while they are growing.
3. There has not been any case of Zearalenone toxin attack in India.

Choose the correct code:

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

**115.** Which of the following is correct regarding Yuva Swabhiman Yojna?

1. The Yuva Swabhiman Yojna has been launched by the Madhya Pradesh government
2. It will ensure 100 days of employment every year the youths from EWS category in urban area.

Choose the correct code:

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

**116.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Sarus crane?

1. It is the world's tallest flying bird.
2. The IUCN status of Sarus crane is vulnerable.
3. It plays an important role in controlling the population of harmful insects.

Choose the correct code:

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

**117.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Silkigars?

1. Silkigars are nomadic community from Rajasthan
2. The Silkigar community is known for its 400-500-year-old skill of furbishing and making swords.

Choose the correct code:

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

**118.** What is INFINET?

- (a) It is communication channel used by armed forces in India
- (b) Communication backbone for the National Payments System
- (c) The Communication backbone for exchange of cryptocurrencies
- (d) Internet combined with AI services

**119.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) programme?

1. The PISA Programme was launched in 1997 by the OECD.
2. India will be participating in PISA 2021.
3. PISA is a triennial international survey (every three years) which aims to evaluate the education system worldwide by testing the skills and knowledge of 15-year-old students.

Choose the correct code:

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

**120.** Which of the following is correct regarding the National Agricultural Higher Education Project (NAHEP)?

1. The National Agricultural Higher Education Project (NAHEP) has been launched by ICAR
2. The project will be funded by the World Bank and the Indian Government on a 50:50 basis.

Choose the correct code:

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

**121.** Consider the following statements regarding the E-Kuber

1. E-Kuber is the Core Banking Solution of Reserve Bank of India.
2. E-Kuber provides the provision of a single current account for each bank across the country, with decentralized access to this account from anywhere-anytime using portal-based services in a safe manner.

Choose the correct code:

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

**122.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Tigers in India?

1. Currently, India has highest number of tigers in the world.
2. The number of tigers has gradually improved from the year 2006.
3. There are 50 tiger reserves in India, governed by Project Tiger administered by the NTCA.

Choose the correct code:

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

**123.** The first ever National Conference on “Prison Design” is being held at which of the following places?

- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- (c) Visakhapatnam
- (d) Raigarh

**124.** The Integrated Refinery Expansion Project Complex (IREP) has been launched in which of the following places?

- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Kochi
- (c) Barauni
- (d) Paradip

**125.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding Indian textiles?

1. Baluchari and Jamdani textiles have originated in West Bengal
2. Vichitrapuri and Bomkai textiles have originated in Odisha.

Choose the correct code:

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

**126.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the D-voters?

1. D-voters are those who have been not able to produce proper citizenship credentials.
2. They are referred to Foreigners Tribunal to verify their citizenship.
3. If the D-voters are designated as Declared foreigners, they are sent to Detention Camps.

Choose the correct code:

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

**127.** Which of the following is correct regarding financial creditor and operational creditor as per the IBC code?

1. A financial creditor is a person to whom a financial debt is owed and includes a person to whom such debt has been legally assigned or transferred.
2. Operational creditors are one who are owed money by the company in the normal course of operations for supply of goods and services.

Choose the correct code:

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

**128.** Consider the following statements regarding the National Institute of Virology.

1. The National Institute of Virology is an institute under the Indian Council of Medical Research.
2. The National Institute of Virology is situated in Pune.

Choose the correct code:

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

**129.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Chilika lake?

1. The Nalbana Bird Sanctuary is situated in the Chilika lake
2. The Chilika lake is the second largest lagoon in the world.

Choose the correct code:

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

**130.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the Golden Langur?

1. The Golden Langur has been categorised as 'Endangered' in the IUCN Red list.
2. The Golden Langur Conservation Breeding Project was undertaken by the state of Tamil Nadu.
3. Apart from India, the Golden Langur is also found in Bhutan.

Choose the correct code:

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

**131.** Which of the following is correct regarding the Beveridge Curve?

1. The Curve shows relationship between unemployment rate and job vacancy rate in an economy.
2. As per the curve, when there is high job vacancy in an economy, there is also relatively low unemployment.

Choose the correct code:

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

**132.** Consider the following statements regarding the Talwar Frigates

1. The Talwar frigates will incorporate stealth technology.
2. India has signed an Inter-governmental agreement with Russia to locally manufacture the frigates with technology transfer.

Choose the correct code:

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



**133.** Which of the following is the correct meaning of Unfunded liabilities?

- (a) It refers to future fund obligation for which no proper provision has been made in the present.
- (b) It refers to the future needs of the human beings that cannot be sustained with the present resources.
- (c) It refers to the liabilities of the government that are transferred to the private parties.
- (d) It refers to future fund obligation for which no proper provision has been made in the future.

**134.** Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding the folk dances?

- 1. The Karakkatam folk dance is performed in Tamil Nadu
- 2. The Taakala Folk Dance is performed in Maharashtra.

Choose the correct code:

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

**135.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Gold monetization program” which was recently seen in news?

- 1. The basic aim of this scheme is to monetise all the gold that is lying idle with individuals or institutions like banks.
- 2. Reserve Bank of India has allowed central and state governments and entities owned by them to deposit gold under its Gold Monetization Scheme

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**136.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Henley Passport Index 2019”.

- 1. The Henley Passport Index (HPI) is a global ranking of countries according to the favorable destination for the tourism.
- 2. India jumped two positions from 81st in 2018 to 79th this year.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**137.** Which of the following statement is/are correct with reference to the “National Clean Air Programme”?

- 1. The programme will be notified under the Environment Protection Act.
- 2. NCAP will also have to be more nuanced and adopt appropriate approaches for small and big cities.

Choose the correct code:

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

**138.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Small Woodbrown butterfly”.

1. The species is endemic to the eastern Himalayas.
2. The researchers in Sikkim have rediscovered the Small Woodbrown butterfly species from Bakhim in Khanchendzonga National Park.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**139.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Mekedatu dam project”.

1. Its primary objective is to supply drinking water to Bengaluru and recharge the groundwater table in the region.
2. It was set up by the Karnataka government; the project is near Mekedatu, across the river Cauvery from Tamil Nadu.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**140.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the “Size India’ project”?

1. The Clothing Manufacturers Association of India (CMAI) will work with the Union Ministry of Textiles and Khadi India in the “Size India” project.
2. The ‘Size India’ project will help create a India-specific size chart for the textiles and garment industry.
3. Its main aim to arrive at standard Indian sizes for apparels.

Choose the correct code:

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

**141.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Goods and Services Tax Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT)”.

1. Recently cabinet has approved creation of National Bench of the Goods and Services Tax Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT).
2. It is the forum of second appeal in GST laws and the first common forum of dispute resolution between Centre and States.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**142.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Pravasi Teerth Darshan Yojana”.

1. Under the scheme, a group of Indian diaspora will be taken on a government-sponsored tour of religious places in India twice a year.
2. The group will be taken to the religious places of all major religions in India and the tour would be 50% government sponsored.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**143.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “CRZ Regulations 2019”.

1. To promote sustainable development based on scientific principles taking into account the natural hazards such as increasing sea levels due to global warming.
2. To conserve and protect the environment of coastal stretches and marine areas, besides livelihood security to the fisher communities.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**144.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Aadi Mahotsav”.

1. It is organized by Ministry of Tribal affairs.
2. The festival will feature exhibition-cum-sale of tribal handicrafts, art, paintings, fabric, jewellery and much more.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**145.** What is Input Tax Credit (ITC); consider the following statements with reference to it?

1. It is the tax that a business pays on a purchase and that it can use to reduce its tax liability when it makes a sale.
2. ITC can be claimed for personal use or for goods that are exempt.

Choose the correct code:

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

**146.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “World Malaria Report of 2018”.

1. World Health Organisation released World Malaria Report of 2018.
2. India is the only country among the 11 highest-burden countries that saw substantial progress in reducing disease burden.

Which of the above statements is/are true?

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

**147.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Jiban Sampark Project”.

1. It was launched by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
2. The Project is being undertaken in association with UNICEF.
3. The focus areas of the Project are skill development, empowering communities, cooperation and innovation among the groups.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**148.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to the “Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS)”?

1. Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) were established to provide vocational training to non-literate, neo-literate, as well as school dropouts by identifying skills.
2. Formerly under the Ministry of Human Resources Development, Jan Shikshan Sansthan was transferred to the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship in 2018.

Choose the correct code:

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

**149.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Serious Fraud Investigation Office (SFIO)”.

1. It comes under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA).
2. It received statutory powers under the Companies Act, 2013.
3. Cases are assigned to the SFIO based on the scale of financial misappropriation or extent of public interest that is at stake.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**150.** Consider the following statements with reference to the “Polar vortex”.

1. The polar vortex is disrupted and weakens, due to wave energy propagating upward from the lower atmosphere.
2. The polar vortex spins in the stratosphere.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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