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# CURRENT AFFAIRS BASED PRELIMS QUESTIONS

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1. Which of the following statements is/are correct about "Mission Raftaar"?

1. It aims at doubling the average speed of freight trains and increasing the average speed of coaching trains by 25 kmph over a five-year period.
2. It was launched as part of strategy of Indian Roads & Transportation to keep pace with growing competition from competing modes viz. road and airlines etc.
3. Mission Raftaar will help to reduce travel time for passengers, transit time for cargo, reduce operational cost, improve revenues and railway's market share and also reduce pollution.
4. Principal routes of this mission are Golden Quadrilateral (Delhi-Mumbai-Chennai-Kolkata) along with diagonals.

Choose the correct code.

- (a) 1 and 3
- (b) 2, 3 and 4
- (c) 1, 3 and 4
- (d) All the above.

2. Consider the following statements:

1. Recently launched three mobile applications BHIM, RuPay and UPI enable remittance app of RBI.
2. RBI's UPI based rupee remittance app will help to expand remittance offering and it will also help Indian Blue Workers working in Singapore.

Choose the correct code:

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

3. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to Malabar Exercise 2018?

1. It is for the first time the Malabar Exercise is being conducted at/ off Guam, a US Territory.
2. It aims to address the variety of shared threats and challenges to maritime security in the Indo-Pacific region.
3. All the participating nations in the exercise have clarified that the Malabar series is not aimed at any specific country.

Choose the correct code:

- (a) Only 2
- (b) 2 and 3
- (c) 1 and 3
- (d) All the above

4. Which of the following statements is/are correct with references to SFDR's Technology?

1. SFDR's Technology is jointly developed by India and Russia.
2. It will help India only for the surface-to-air missile to perform better and enhance their strike range, making them more lethal.

Choose the correct code:

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

5. Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to RIMPAC Exercise?

1. The theme for year 2018 RIMPAC Exercise is “Capable Adaptive Partner”.
2. It is world’s largest International maritime warfare exercise.
3. This will be for the first time non-founding RIMPAC nation will hold component commander leadership position.
4. Four countries Brazil, Iraq, Sri Lanka and Vietnam are participating for first time in RIMPAC Exercise 2018.

Choose the correct code:

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

6. Which of the following statements is/are true?

1. India has signed the Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) in Nursing with Singapore and this is the first MRA being signed by India with any of the FTA Partners.
2. India and Singapore concluded the second review of India-Singapore Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CECA).

Choose the correct code:

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

7. Consider the following statements with reference to Pradhan Mantari Gram Sadak Yojana.

1. Government signed US \$500 million loan agreement with World Bank to provide additional financing for Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) rural road projects.
2. It is implemented by Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India, which will build 7,000 km of climate resilient roads, out of which 3,500 km will be constructed using green technologies.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

8. Which of the following statements is/are related to Online Analytical Tool?

1. Online Analytical Tool to facilitate closer monitoring of the flow and utilisation of foreign contributions received by various organisations registered or permitted under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010.
2. This web-based tool enables decision-makers in various Departments of Government to scrutinise source of foreign funds.
3. It is launched by the Ministry of Home Affairs and has analytical features to conduct big data mining and data exploration.

Choose the correct code:

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

9. Consider the following statements with reference to Shangri La Dialogue recently in news.

1. The Shangri-La Dialogue (SLD) is a "Track One" inter-governmental security forum held annually by an independent think tank, the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS).
2. The summit serves to cultivate a sense of community among the most important policymakers in the defence and security community in the region.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

10. Which of the following statements is/are true with respect to newly constituted Cauvery Management Authority?

1. It has been created as per the Cauvery Management Scheme earlier framed by center but not approved by Supreme Court.
2. The Authority comprises a chairman, a secretary and eight members out of eight members two will be full time members.

Choose the correct code.

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

11. India's 1<sup>st</sup> Advance Forensic Lab dedicated to women related cases is established in?

- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Chennai
- (c) Pune
- (d) Chandigarh

**12.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to Gopalbandhu Sambadika Swasthya Bima Yojana?

1. This scheme will cover the injuries and illness faced by the journalist while performing their duties.
2. This health Insurance scheme launched by the state government in Odisha.
3. This insurance coverage will be applicable to cashless treatment in only government hospitals.

Choose the correct code.

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

**13.** Which reference to Ensemble Prediction Systems (EPS) which of the following is/are correct?

1. It is developed by Indian Metrological Department and National center for middle range Weather Forecasting under ministry of Earth science.
2. It is high resolution for short-medium range weather forecasts.

Choose the correct code:

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

**14.** Consider the following statements with reference to Agni-5 recently in news?

1. It is nuclear capable long range missile with navigation and guidance, warhead and engine.
2. Missile is the brainchild of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).
3. Agni-5 uses Ring Laser Gyro based Inertial Navigation System RINS and it is the most modern and gives very high accuracy.
4. Missile include, a high speed on-board computer, fault tolerant software and a robust reliable bus.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**15.** Which of the following statements is/are true with respect to Financial Literacy Week?

1. The objectives of financial education are active saving and borrowing, financial planning, consumer protection and going digital.
2. The concept of Financial Education Week was introduced in 2016 by Ministry of Finance.
3. Banks have set up financial literacy centres (FLCs) to focus their financial awareness efforts and the rural branches of banks also conduct programmes to create awareness.

Choose the correct code:

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

**16.** Which of the following was the Theme of Financial Literacy Week 2018?

- (a) Customer Protections
- (b) Exercising Credit Discipline
- (c) Grievance Redressal
- (d) None of the above

**17.** Which of the following is/are the objectives BEAMS (Beach Management Services) Programme recently in news?

- 1. Promote Sustainable Development.
- 2. Environment Management.
- 3. Safety & security services scientifically.
- 4. Environmental education

Choose the correct code

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

**18.** Recently which state beach in India got Blue Flag Certifications?

- (a) Chandrabhaga beach in Odisha
- (b) Bhogave beaches in Maharashtra
- (c) Anjuna beach in Goa
- (d) Elephant beach in Andaman and Nicobar

**19.** Which of the following is/are proposed amendments in Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act (IRWA)?

- 1. Amendment in definition of distribution to include publication, license or uploading using computer resource, or communication device.
- 2. Creation of a Centralised Authority under the aegis of National Commission of Human Rights.
- 3. Insertion of a new definition to define the term publishes.

Choose the correct code:

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

**20.** Recently seen in news ASSOCHAM-NEC study is on which of the following?

- (a) Science and Technology development in India.
- (b) Electricals & Electronics Manufacturing in India.
- (c) Automobiles Manufacturing in India.
- (d) None of the above.

**21.** According to the recent ASSOCHAM-NEC study which of the following statements is/are true?

- 1. A part from India the top E-waste generator countries are China, US, Japan, Germany.
- 2. Among Indian states Maharashtra is the largest E-waste generator followed by Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh, Karnataka, and Gujarat.
- 3. The low quantum of recycling of e-waste in India is due to lack of infrastructure, absence of strong legislative framework etc.

Choose the correct code:

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

**22.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to 'JANAUSHADHI SUVIDHA'?

- 1. It makes Sanitary napkin biodegradable when it comes in contact with oxygen after being discarded.
- 2. It has been launched by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- 3. This scheme is under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP).
- 4. Bureau of Pharma PSUs of India (BPPI) is the implementing agency of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP).

Choose the correct code:

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

**23.** Consider the following statements with respect to International Air Transport Association (IATA)?

- 1. Recently International Air Transport Association (IATA) castigated India for taxing international tickets.
- 2. The International Air Transport Association (IATA) is the trade

association for the world's airlines, representing 83% of total air traffic.

- 3.** IATA supports airline activity and helps formulate industry policy and standards.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**24.** The reservations in Promotion are mandated by which of the following Article?

- (a) Article 17
- (b) Article 16 (4A)
- (c) Article 51A
- (d) Article 31C

**25.** Which of the following statements is/are true with respect to Liquefied Natural Gas?

- 1. The recent shipment of LNG from Russia has come under a 20 year deal between India's State-owned gas company GAIL India Ltd and Russian supplier Gazprom.
- 2. At present Qatar is the biggest supplier of natural gas to India.

Choose the correct code

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



**26.** Consider the following statements with reference to Ganga Praharis.

- 1.** The group trained volunteers, called Ganga Praharis, use to educate people about the importance of protecting river's bio-diversity.
- 2.** They are spread over Ganga basin states of Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Bihar and West Bengal.
- 3.** Roped-in by Wildlife Institute of India (WII), Dehradun as part of the "Biodiversity Conservation and Ganga Rejuvenation" project.
- 4.** This Project being sponsored by National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) under the aegis of the Namami Gange programme.

Which of the above statements is/are true?

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

**27.** Which of the following statements is/are true with reference to National Ganga Council?

- 1.** National Ganga Council under chairmanship of Prime Minister of India.
- 2.** Empowered Task Force (ETF) on river Ganga under chairmanship of Union Minister of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation.

**3.** State Ganga Committees in every specified district abutting river Ganga and its tributaries in the states.

Choose the correct code:

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

**28.** Consider the following statements:

- 1.** Every state's 'green' gross domestic project has been calculated on a yearly basis since India ratified the Paris Agreement
- 2.** The Green Skill Development Programme is being implemented jointly by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation and the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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



**29.** Consider the following statements with respect to International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN).

- 1.** The anti-nuclear group International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) had facilitated the recent summits held between the North and South Korean Presidents.
- 2.** ICAN is a winner of the Nobel Peace Prize

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

**30.** Which of the following is/are the main objectives of IBSA?

- 1.** To promote South-South corporation by making an important axis between three countries India, Brazil and South Africa.
- 2.** IBSA was established in 2003 via Brasilia Declaration by external affairs ministers of India, Brazil and South Africa.

Choose the correct code:

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

**31.** Which of the following statements is/are incorrect about Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code?

- 1.** It is a key pillar of the ecosystem responsible for implementation of the Code that consolidates and amends the laws relating to reorganization and insolvency resolution of corporate persons, partnership firms and individuals in a time bound manner for maximization of the value of assets of such persons, to promote entrepreneurship, availability of credit and balance the interests of all the stakeholders
- 2.** It is initiative of reserve bank of India.
- 3.** Recent amendment of the IBC law will recognize the homebuyers as financial creditors, giving them due representation in the Committee of Creditors (CoC).
- 4.** Separate provisions have been arranged for individuals and company.

Choose the correct code:

- (a)** Only1
- (b)** Only2
- (c)** 1, 2 and 4
- (d)** 3 and 4

**32.** Consider the following statements about maternal mortality rate.

- 1.** Maternal Mortality Rate is death of such women per 1000 live births.
- 2.** India average maternal mortality rate is higher than global maternal mortality rate
- 3.** Haryana ranks lowest in the ranking of maternal mortality performance.
- 4.** According to WHO, Maternal Mortality is death of a woman while pregnant or within 428 days of termination of pregnancy, irrespective of the duration.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**33.** Recently Operation NISTAR was in news it is related with which of the following?

- (a)** Providing skill development to the people of “apparitional districts”.
- (b)** Evacuation of stranded Indians from cyclone hit Yemen.
- (c)** Providing relief to the Rohingya migrants from Myanmar.
- (d)** Indian navy participation in the rescue operation of the Thailand young players from cave.

**34.** Which is correct regarding Dam rehabilitation and improvement project (DRIP)?

- 1.** It is initiative of ministry of drinking water& sanitation.
- 2.** Rehabilitation of old dams, strengthening institutional capacity, bring greater awareness on dam safety issues and finding novel solutions to address are the objectives of DRIP.

Choose the correct code:

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

**35.** Which is correct about the World Ocean Day?

- 1.** It is observed on 8<sup>th</sup> June every year.
- 2.** The theme of year 2018 was “*Beat the plastic pollution*”.

Choose the correct code:

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

**36.** Regarding Global Peace Index 2018, consider the correct statement?

1. It is released by the institute of economy and peace (IEP).
2. India's position has deteriorated with respect to the 2017 due the recent incident of lynching.
3. The average level of global peacefulness has deteriorated by 2.38% since 2008.
4. It uses various parameters like the homicide rate, ease of access to weapons, impact of terrorism and number of armed services personnel in population.

Choose the correct code:

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

**37.** Regarding Berne convention, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It is related to Protection of Literary and Artistic Works.
2. The convention requires signatory member countries to recognize copyrighted literary or artistic works in same way that its national copyrights are recognized.
3. Recently India has submitted its declaration
4. Under it, cinematography and photography are also included.

Choose the correct code:

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

**38.** Regarding *Qingdao declaration*, it is related with which of the following?

- (a) SAARC
- (b) BRICS
- (c) SCO
- (d) BMISTEC

**39.** Regarding World Hindi Conference, choose the correct statements.

1. It is organized by ministry of culture.
2. India is hosting World Hindi conference 2018.
3. The theme of the Conference will be "Vaishvik Hindi Aur Bharatiy Sanskriti".
4. The World Hindi Conference is major event organised every three years by MEA to increase the popularity of Hindi globally.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**40.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Li-ion battery?

- 1.** Lithium-ion battery is type of non-rechargeable battery.
- 2.** It also maintains constant voltage throughout entire discharge cycle.
- 3.** It is much cleaner technology and is safer for environment as it does not have environmental impact as lead acid battery.
- 4.** It is heavier than lead acid battery.

Choose the correct code:

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

**41.** Which of the following statements is/are correct about Nipah virus?

- 1.** Nipah virus (NiV) infection is zoonotic disease.
- 2.** Fruit bat is natural host of the diseases.
- 3.** It can be transmitted through air, direct contact, urine.
- 4.** Nipah virus is retro virus.

Choose the correct code:

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

**42.** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding credit enhancement fund?

- 1.** It will provide credit enhancement for revitalization of banking sector.
- 2.** The CEF provides additional source of assurance or guarantee that borrower will service their loan.
- 3.** Insurance and pension fund is also included in the credit enhancement fund.
- 4.** The fund was first announced in Union Budget for fiscal year 2016-2017.

Choose the correct code:

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

**43.** Consider the following statement regarding BHARATNET.

- 1.** It is Centre's rural internet connectivity programme which is implemented by Bharat Broadband Network Limited.
- 2.** It is world's largest rural broadband connectivity programme using Optical fiber.
- 3.** The project is being funded by Universal service Obligation Fund (USOF).
- 4.** Wi-Fi Choupals are in addition to broadband connectivity provided gram panchayats through optical fiber network under Bharat Net.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

44. Which of the following becomes first state in India to use auto-disable syringes for all clinical purposes?

- (a) Maharashtra
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Andhra Pradesh
- (d) Chennai

45. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to Auto-Disable Syringes?

1. Auto Disable Syringe is medical syringe that cannot be reused.
2. They incorporate mechanism to break or lock syringe plunger when injection is given to make syringe inoperable for being used for second time.

Choose the correct code:

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

46. Consider the following statements with respect to Geo-Intelligence Asia.

1. The Eleventh edition of GeoIntelligence Asia 2018 organised by GeoSpatial Media and Communication with Directorate General of Information System and Military Survey.
2. It took place at Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi.
3. Theme of GeoIntelligence Asia 2018 was Enhancing National Security Operations.

Choose the correct code:

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

47. Recently which fruit of Tripura got tag of State fruit?

- (a) Pineapple
- (b) Jackfruit
- (c) Litchi
- (d) Cashew nut

48. Which of the following statements is/are true with respect to Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gramin Kaushal Yojana?

1. Ministry of Shipping in association with Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gramin Kaushal Yojana, Ministry of Rural Development recently conducted a workshop on "Skill Development in the Port and Maritime Sector".
2. Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gramin Kaushal Yojana (DDU-GKY) is uniquely focused on rural youth between the ages of 15 and 35 years from poor families.

Choose the correct code:

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

**49.** Consider the following statements with respect to G7.

1. Recently 44th annual G7 Summit is being held in Quebec, Canada.
2. This year G7 summit theme was “advancing gender equality and impacting women’s empowerment”.
3. G7 Summit is conducted annually where world leaders from seven powerful economies of the world, US, Canada, UK, France, Germany, Japan and China.

Choose the correct code:

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

**50.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to Dhanush artillery gun?

1. It has been developed by Ordnance Factory Board (OFB), Kolkata based on requirements of Indian Army and manufactured by Jabalpur-based Gun Carriage Factory.
2. It is India’s first indigenous, long-range artillery gun and has night firing capability in direct fire mode.

Choose the correct code:

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

**51.** Which of the following statements is/are incorrect with respect to Deocha-Pachami coal block?

1. It is second largest coal block in the world.
2. The coal block is located in Birbhum district in West Bengal.

Choose the correct code:

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

**52.** Which of the following statements is/are true?

1. Gujarat is third state in India to grant religious minority status to Jews after West Bengal and Maharashtra.
2. Constitution of India has defined word ‘Minority’ and it also speaks of those ‘based on religion or language’ and rights of minorities have been spelt out in Constitution in detail.
3. Six religious communities that are Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists, Zoroastrians (Parsis) and Jains have been notified in Gazette of India as minority communities by Union Government all over India.

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 with respect to “Global Housing Construction Technology Challenge”.

1. It is launched by Ministry of Urban development as part of the technology sub-mission of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban) Programme.
2. It will invite ideas from across the globe for alternative technologies that go beyond the brick-and-mortar building model used widely in Indian construction.

Which of the above statements is/are true?

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

**54.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to Dam Rehabilitation & Improvement Project (DRIP)?

1. The Dam Rehabilitation and Improvement Project (DRIP) with the financial assistance of the World Bank.
2. This project was launched by Center Water Commission.

Choose the correct code:

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

**55.** The ‘Joint Appeal to Youth’ was recently in the news in the context of affairs related to.

- (a) Family Planning
- (b) Drug abuse rehabilitation
- (c) Knowledge economy
- (d) Anti- terrorism

**56.** ‘CORPAT’, or ‘Coordinated Patrol’, enhances mutual understanding and inter-operability between the navies of India and?

- (a) United States
- (b) Malaysia
- (c) Indonesia
- (d) Australia

**57.** A ‘Bad Bank’, sometimes in the news, refers to

- (a) A bank which has more than 5 percent of its loans categorised as Non-Performing Assets.
- (b) A Public Sector Bank which has more than 5 percent of its loans categorised as Non-Performing Assets.
- (c) A variant of an Asset Reconstruction Company.
- (d) The bank – whether private or public – which contributes the most to the pile of stressed assets within the Indian economic system.



58. The Consumer Confidence Survey is conducted by
- (a) Reserve Bank of India.
  - (b) Advertising Standards Council of India.
  - (c) Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions.
  - (d) Ministry of Consumer Affairs.

59. Consider the following statements:

1. In between the islands of Java and Sumatra lies the Java Sea.
2. The administrative jurisdiction of Indonesia extends to the whole of the island of Borneo.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) Only 1
  - (b) Only 2
  - (c) Both 1 and 2
  - (d) Neither 1 and 2
60. Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to Indian Council of World Affairs?
1. It was declared institution of national importance by Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA), 2001 enacted by Parliament.
  2. The President of India is the ex-officio President of ICWA, while the Minister of External Affairs is its Vice-President.
  3. ICWA is devoted exclusively for the study of international relations and foreign affairs.

Choose the correct code:

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

61. Global Peace Index 2018 is released by

- (a) World Bank
- (b) World Organisation of Peace
- (c) Institute of Economic and Peace
- (d) World Peace Council

62. Consider the following statements with reference to Berne Conventions.

1. Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works.
2. It is international copyright agreement that mandates equal treatment of copyrighted works by signatory.
3. India is the member of Berne Conventions.

Choose the correct code:

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

63. Which of the following statements is/are incorrect with respect to Center Board of Excise and Custom?

1. It is the nodal national agency responsible for administering Customs, GST, Central Excise, Service Tax & Narcotics in India.
2. It is administrative authority for its subordinate organizations, including Central Excise and Service Tax Commission rates, Custom Houses and Central Revenue Control Laboratory.

Choose the correct code:

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

**64.** Consider the following statements with respect to Center Vigilance Commission.

1. CVC is an apex probity watchdog of Union Government formed to address governmental corruption.
2. It has status of statutory autonomous body and free of control from any executive authority as per the provisions of Central Vigilance Commission Act 2003.
3. Central Vigilance Commissioners are appointed by the President on the recommendation of Prime Minister.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**65.** Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Recently Common Service Center (CSC) has signed (MoU) Memorandum of Understanding with IRCTC for delivery of railway service through CSC centers.
2. CSC is the initiative of Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.
3. It is strategic cornerstone of Digital India programme.

Choose the correct code:

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

**66.** The goal of creating 'Norman' by a team at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology is to make people aware of

- (a) The ills of tobacco consumption.
- (b) The potential dangers of artificial intelligence.
- (c) The advantages of unmanned warfare.
- (d) The benefits of emerging wellness trends like cow cuddling.

**67.** Sometimes in the news, 'Orb Media' is

- (a) The media wing of the United Nations which focuses on proactive journalism.
- (b) A non-profit entity that seeks to unlock the full journalistic potential of what technology has made possible.
- (c) A USAID-assisted media organisation that adheres to issues related to the WEF-focus areas in its journalistic endeavors.
- (d) None of the above.

**68.** Consider the following statements about the 'Output Gap':

1. It can be viewed as an alternate evaluation metric of a country's GDP.
2. If in an economy it is poised to rapidly close, the Monetary Policy Authority is likely to adopt either a neutral or hawkish stance.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

69. Recently announced, the state bird of Andhra Pradesh is the

- (a) Rose-ringed parakeet
- (b) Jerdon's courser
- (c) Great Indian Bustard
- (d) Spoon-billed sandpiper

70. Consider the following statements with respect to Credit Enhancement Fund.

1. CEF will provide credit enhancement for infrastructure projects.
2. It will help in upgrading credit ratings of bonds issued by infrastructure companies.
3. It facilitates investment from investors like pension and insurance funds.

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

71. Which of the following statements is/are true with reference to BIMSTEC?

1. India will host first military exercise of the BIMSTEC Countries in Pune.
2. The theme of the exercise includes counter-terrorism in semi-urban terrain and cordon and search.
3. Its objective is technological and economic cooperation among south Asian and south East Asian countries along the coast of the Bay of Bengal.

Choose the correct code:

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

72. Consider the following statements with respect to Nepal-Bharat Maitri Irrigation Project.

1. The project is to boost growth to Himalayan nation's agricultural sector through enhanced facilities.
2. India has been partnering with Nepal for development of Deep Tube Wells (DTWs) and Shallow Tub Wells (STWs) in various regions of Nepal.

Choose the correct code:

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

**73.** Which of the following statements is/are true?

1. Ministry of Food processing launched Seva Bhoj Yojna.
2. The scheme to provide financial assistance on purchase of specific food items by Charitable Religious Institutions (CRIs) for free distribution among people.
3. Under this scheme, Centre's share of Central Goods and Services Tax (CGST) charged on the raw food materials purchased by the religious institutions will be refunded.

Choose the correct code:

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

**74.** Which of the following statements is/are true?

1. EPIC Planet is a new planet discovered by NASA.
2. EPIC planet is smaller in size compared to Saturn and but is bigger than Neptune.

Choose the correct code:

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

**75.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to Institutional Trading Platform (ITP)?

1. RBI has constituted Group to look into existing Institutional Trading Platform (ITP) framework and suggest measures to facilitate listing of startups.
2. It facilitates capital rising by small and medium enterprises (SMEs) including start-up companies which are in their early stages of growth.

Choose the correct code:

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

**76.** The theme of World against Child Labour of 2018 is

- (a) Generation Safety and Healthy
- (b) Protect children from child labour
- (c) Human Rights and Social Justice
- (d) Education of child

**77.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to Information and Communication Technology (ICT)?

1. International conference on ICT was recently held in New Delhi.
2. The theme of this conference was "Sustainable Developments Goals for Smart Society".
3. It aims to bring government and private sector together for developing plan of action using sustainable ICT applications.

Choose the correct code:

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

**78.** Consider the following statements with respect to Atal Tinkering Lab.

1. The new additions take number of such ATLs representing all states and five out of seven union territories.
2. AIM is NITI Aayog's flagship initiative to promote culture of innovation and entrepreneurship in the country.

Choose the correct code:

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

**79.** Which of the following statements is/are true with respect to Surya Kiran XIII?

1. The thirteenth edition of India-Myanmar joint military exercise was held at Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand.
2. The aim joint military exercise to conduct battalion level joint training with emphasis on counter terrorism operations in mountainous terrain under United Nations (UN) mandate.

Choose the correct code:

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

**80.** Which of the following statements is/are true?

1. Recently Cabinet approves MoU between the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and INSERM, France.
2. Both parties agreed to have focus upon diabetes and metabolic disorders, bio-ethics with focus on ethics and regulatory issues of gene editing techniques.

Choose the correct code:

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

**81.** Consider the following statements with respect to Swachh Iconic Places recently in news.

1. It is an initiative of Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation under Swachh Bharat Mission.
2. It also involves local administrations in concerned states and public sector and private companies are also sponsoring partners.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 82.** 'IMBIE', recently in the news, is
- (a) A project supported by the ESA and NASA that seeks to understand changes in Antarctic ice mass.
  - (b) An FAO report that for the first time presents a global analysis of trends in fish stocks.
  - (c) An intergovernmental effort led by the Worldwide Fund for Nature to protect the vulnerable snow leopard.
  - (d) An EU initiative that will monitor every active volcano on earth from space.
- 83.** The Antarctic Peninsula is the 'finger of land' that points up to or reaches out to
- (a) South Africa
  - (b) Indian Ocean
  - (c) Australia
  - (d) South America
- 84.** Bharat-22', recently in the news, is related to
- (a) Ek Bharat Shreshth Bharat
  - (b) The disinvestment programme
  - (c) Gold reference standards
  - (d) Khelo India
- 85.** The major causes of global sea level rise are
1. Thermal expansion caused by warming of the ocean
  2. Land subsidence
  3. Reduced rate of land rebounding from the compressive weight of ice age glaciers
  4. Increased melting of land-based ice

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

- 86.** Often in the news, the 'Asian Premium' is related to which one of the following commodities?
- (a) Steel
  - (b) Tea
  - (c) Crude oil
  - (d) Rubber

- 87.** Which of the following statements with reference to "net-metering" policy for electricity is/are correct?
1. It promotes the generation of 'clean' electricity
  2. It reduces the strain on electricity grid distribution and transmission infrastructure
  3. No state in India has such a policy in place as yet

Choose the correct code

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

**88.** Which of the following statements is/are true?

1. Recently Union Cabinet has approved continuation of Three Year Action Plan (2017-2020) of scheme for Agricultural Education Division and Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) Institutes.
2. The scheme comprises of Strengthening and Development of Higher Agricultural Education and ICAR-National Academy of Agricultural Research Management (NAARM) and ICAR-Central Institute of Women in Agriculture (CIWA).

Choose the correct code:

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

**89.** Consider the following statements with respect to Ayushman Bharat.

1. The scheme has the benefit cover of Rs. 5 lakh per family per year.
2. To ensure that nobody is left out (especially women, children and elderly) there will be no cap on family size and age in the scheme.
3. The benefit cover will also include pre and post-hospitalisation expenses.
4. It is proposed to set up Ayushman Bharat National Health Protection Mission Council (AB-NHPMC) at apex level Chaired by Ministry of AYUSH.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**90.** Consider the following statements with respect to Swajal Scheme.

1. Swajal is a community owned drinking water programme for sustained drinking water supply.
2. Under the scheme, 60% of the project cost will be taken care by the Government and the remaining 40% of the project cost will be contributed by the community.
3. The Operations and management of the project will be taken by the local villagers.

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

**91.** Mt Deotibba was recently in news for?

1. An all women Naval mountaineering team recently summited Mount Deotibba.
2. Mt Deotibba is the second highest peak in the Pir-Panjal range in Himachal Pradesh.



Choose the correct code:

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

**92.** Consider the following statements with respect to Pinaka rocket.

1. The rocket has been developed by the Armament cluster of the DRDO, with a lead from Pune-based Armament Research and Development Establishment (ARDE).
2. DRDO is working with Russia to develop Pinaka Mark-III which will use Russia's Trajectory Correction System (TCS) that will enhance the accuracy of the attack.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**93.** Which of the following statements is/are true with respect to Smart City Mission?

1. Recently Prime Minister inaugurated India's first integrated greenfield smart city project at Naya Raipur.
2. The selection is based on the scores cities get for carrying out urban reforms in areas including sanitation and governance.
3. Cities that score the highest will be picked for the project, to be implemented over a 5-year period.

4. Each smart city will have a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) which will be headed by a full time CEO and have nominees of Central Government, State Government and ULB on its Board.

Choose the correct code:

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

**94.** Consider the following statements with respect to the Composite Water Management Index.

1. Composite Water Management Index report is released by Ministry of water and sanitation.
2. The report ranks Gujarat at the top in managing its water resources in the reference year (2016-17) followed by Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

**95.** Par-Tapi-Narmada inter-state river link project recently in news for?

1. The projects envisage transfer of surplus water of rivers in Maharashtra and north Gujarat to feed the command area of the Miyagam branch of Narmada canal.
2. It will save water in Narmada dam, which will be taken to Saurashtra and Kutch.

Which of the above statements is/are true?

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

**96.** Consider the following statements with respect to North East Council.

1. NEC is statutory body with Governors and Chief Ministers of North Eastern States as its members which implements various projects through State and Central agencies.
2. NEC now can perform tasks undertaken by various Zonal Councils to discuss such inter-State issues as smuggling of arms and ammunition, drug trafficking.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**97.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to the SAARC Development Fund (SDF)?

1. Thimpu-based SAARC Development Fund will launch a social enterprise development programme (SEDP) to fund 80 entities annually across eight-member states including India.
2. SDF which was established by the heads of the eight SAARC Member States and have Social, Economic and Infrastructure Windows.

Choose the correct code:

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

**98.** Consider the following statements with respect to Nuclear Suppliers Group.

1. 28th NSG plenary meeting was held recently in Jurmala, Latvia and has become the second Baltic state to Chair the NSG.
2. India has received a special waiver to conduct nuclear trade with all nuclear exporters.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**99.** Which of the following statements is/are true?

- 1.** Recently Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBITC) under Finance Ministry have raised import duty by 5-10% on non-palm edible oils, both crude and refined oil.
- 2.** India has 60-65% import dependency in edible oils as there is huge demand supply gap in domestic market.

Choose the correct code:

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

**100.** Which of the following was the theme of World blood Donor Day 2018?

- (a)** 'Be there for someone else. Give blood. Share life'.
- (b)** 'Life saving gifts of blood'.
- (c)** 'Sharing and Connection among blood donor and patients'.
- (d)** 'Thank you for saving my life'.

**101.** The theme of 106th Indian Science Congress will be?

- (a)** Reaching the unreached through science and technology.
- (b)** Science for shaping the future of India.
- (c)** Future India: Science and Technology.
- (d)** Science and technology for Human Development.

**102.** Recently which company becomes the first company in India to close over Rs. 7 trillion market caps?

- (a)** Reliance digital
- (b)** Flipkart
- (c)** Aditya Birla
- (d)** TCS

**103.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to the Assumption Island?

- 1.** Assumption Island is a small island situated east of Seychelles main and largest island of Mahe.
- 2.** Recently India-Seychelles joint project to develop naval base at Assumption Island in Seychelles will not move forward.

Choose the correct code:

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

**104.** Consider the following statements with reference to Foreign Portfolio Investment (FPI).

- 1.** FPI consists of securities and other financial assets passively held by foreign investors.
- 2.** It provides investor with direct ownership of financial assets.
- 3.** It is relatively liquid depending on volatility of the market.
- 4.** In India FPIs are allowed to invest in various debt market instruments such as government bonds, treasury bills, state development loans (SDLs) and corporate bonds.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**105.** Consider the following statements with respect to National Off-Shore Wind Policy.

1. The Ministry of New & Renewable Energy (MNRE) has been authorized as the Nodal Agency for development of offshore wind energy.
2. Government has paved way for development of the offshore wind farms up to the seaward distance of 200 Nautical Miles (within its Exclusive Economic Zone) from the base line.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**106.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to 'National Digital Library of India'?

1. It is launched by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.
2. The objective of NDL is to make digital educational resources available to all citizens of the country to empower, inspire and encourage learning.

**3.** NDL is the Single Window Platform that collects and collates metadata from premier learning institutions in India and abroad, as well as other relevant sources.

**4.** National Digital Library of India is developed by IIT Kharagpur.

Choose the correct code:

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

**107.** Which of the following statements is/are true regarding Banks Board Bureau (BBB)?

1. It is an autonomous and self-governing body of Central Government comprising eminent professionals and officials to improve governance of public sector banks.
2. It comprises of three ex-officio members from government and three expert members, two of which are from private sector in addition to Chairman.

Choose the correct code:

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

**108.** What is Social Media Communication Hub?

- 1.** It also aimed to track real time the way social media receives news on government's schemes and announcements and also political events.
- 2.** Each district will have one social media manager who will check regional and local media, collecting data of regional media and of local events, providing content for social media.
- 3.** Manager will make a daily analysis report incorporating local sentiments to be sent to region head in the PIB as well as the media hub (command centre).

Which of the above statements is/are true?

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

**109.** Recently discovered species named Chrysilla volupes is a?

- (a)** Butterfly
- (b)** Spider
- (c)** Bird
- (d)** Reptiles

**110.** Consider the following statements with respect to the BECA.

- 1.** BECA refers to Basic Exchange and Cooperation Agreement for Geospatial Cooperation.
- 2.** This agreement would facilitate exchange of geospatial information between India and United States for both military and civilian use.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**111.** Ambubachi Mela held at which of the following place?

- (a)** Haridwar
- (b)** Guwahati
- (c)** Ujjain
- (d)** Varanasi

**112.** Who published "Women in Prisons" report?

- (a)** UNDP.
- (b)** Ministry of Human Right Commission.
- (c)** Ministry of Women and Child development.
- (d)** Ministry of Human Recourses Development.

**113.** Consider the following statements with respect to Van Dhan Vikas Kendras.

- 1.** The scheme will be launched Ministry of Tribal Affairs as Nodal Department at the Central Level and TRIFED as Nodal Agency at the National Level.
- 2.** Its aims to promote Minor Forest Produce (MFPs)-centric livelihood development of village gatherers and artisans.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**114.** Which of the following statements is/are true with reference to the Aldabra Tortoise?

- 1.** Recently Seychelles has gifted a pair of giant Aldabra tortoise to India.
- 2.** The Aldabra giant tortoise's current IUCN conservation status is 'vulnerable'.

Choose the correct code:

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

**115.** Consider the following statements with reference to Solar Charkha Mission.

- 1.** The Solar Charkha Mission will generate employment in rural areas and contribute to the green economy.
- 2.** The scheme also aims at linking five crore women across the country to the initiative.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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