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1. Project Brainwave is related to which of the following
  - A) Deep learning acceleration platform for real time artificial intelligence
  - B) The process of reverse brain drain project by infosys
  - C) To study cosmic waves impacting human body
  - D) None of the above
2. Kyasanur forest disease is associated with
  - A) Virus
  - B) Bacteria
  - C) Protozoa
  - D) Parasite
3. Which of the following is correctly matched
  - 1) Osiris- Rex spacecraft – asteroid Bennu
  - 2) Cassini mission- Saturn
  - 3) Juno mission- Jupiter

Options

  - A) 1 and 2
  - B) 1 and 3
  - C) 2 and 3
  - D) All the above
4. Jigyasa recently seen in news is associated with
  - A) A student scientist connect programme done by CSIR
  - B) It is a cluster of galaxies
  - C) An asteroid recently discovered by India
  - D) A device to study pollution levels in air
5. The scheme 'creative India, innovative India' was launched to
  - A) To create IPR awareness among citizens
  - B) To invest in alternative energy systems
  - C) To develop spirit of inquiry as in DPSP
  - D) None of the above
6. Which if the following is true regarding lithium ion battery ?
  - 1) They are discharged 100% versus less than 80% for lead acid batteries
  - 2) They are lesser in weight than lead acid ones

Options

  - A) 1 only
  - B) 2 only
  - C) Both 1 and 2
  - D) Neither 1 nor 2
7. "Saraswati" recently seen in news is associated with
  - A) an Indian navy submarine recently inducted
  - B) A supercluster of galaxies
  - C) A vaccine for dengue
  - D) Lithium ion battery operated car

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8. Sagarvani recently in news is related to which of the following ?

- A) It is an integrated information dissemination system for the ocean information
- B) A new species of frog found in the western ghats
- C) An Indian observation station in arctic circle
- D) None of the above

9. The term SOHUM in news is linked to which of the following ?

- A) A new variety of indigenously developed crop by ICAR.
- B) A newborn hearing screening device
- C) An indigenously built helicopter by Indian army
- D) A magnetic debris found in space

10. 'MyFASTag recently in news is

- A) The fastest supercomputer developed by china
- B) A portal to facilitate toll collection in highways
- C) A hybrid vehicle designed by IIT Madras
- D) A bioindicator of pollution

11. Consider the following statements

1. Paid news refers to propaganda in favor of a candidate for a price in cash or kind as consideration
2. Paid news is an electoral offence because it is considered as a

grave electoral malpractice on the part of candidates to circumvent expenditure limits

3. A Statutory body, Media Certification & Monitoring Committee (MCMC) has been created at District and State level for checking Paid News.

Choose the Correct statements.

- a. 1 only
- b. 2, 3 only
- c. 3 only
- d. All the above

12. Consider the following statements

1. Gorkhaland Territorial Administration (GTA) is an autonomous administrative body and it has its own administrative, legislative, executive and financial powers
2. It is created under Article 244 A which provides for an autonomous state for certain tribal areas with its own legislature and council of ministers

Choose the correct statements.

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. None of the above

13. Consider the following statements

1. 'Tele-Law' pilot project was launched with the intent to make legal

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aid easily accessible to the marginalized communities and citizens living in rural areas

2. Para Legal Volunteers will be the first point of contact for the rural citizens and will help them in understanding the legal issues  
Choose the correct statement/s.

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. None of the above

14. Recently Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) has been asked to prepare a proposition on lateral entry into Civil Services. Consider the following statements

- 1. Current recruitment process of civil servants is career based system with tenure security
- 2. In Career based system employees are guaranteed employment, but not a specific position

Choose the correct statement/s.

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. None of the above

15. Consider the following statements

- 1. Overseas Citizenship of India (OCI) are foreigners who are persons of Indian origin and they can travel to India without visa

2. The Citizenship Amendment Bill, 2016 provides for a cancellation of an OCI registration even for minor offences

Choose the correct statement/s.

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. None of the above

16. Which of the following are not correct regarding the Draft Food Safety and Standards (Organic Foods) Regulations, 2017?

- a. It mandates packaging and labeling requirements specified under the Food Safety and Standards (Packaging and Labeling) Regulations, 2011.
- b. It exempts unprocessed organic food sold directly by farmers or farmer organizations
- c. All organic food imports are required to be recertified on import
- d. None of the above

17. Consider the following statements

- 1. GeM is an Online Market platform that enables the procurement of products of marginal farmers without the help of intermediaries
- 2. GeM is a completely paperless, cashless and system driven e-market place that enables procurement with minimal human interface

Choose the correct statement/s.

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- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. None of the above

18. Government at a Glance report is published by

- a. IMF
- b. World Bank
- c. OECD
- d. WTO

19. Recently, Supreme Court ruled that right to privacy as an intrinsic part of

- a. Article 21
- b. Article 19
- c. Article 14
- d. None of the above

20. Which of the following are correct with reference to Transparency of Rules Act (TORA).

- a. Laws would normally be applicable after a specified time after the rule has been posted
- b. It would make it mandatory for all departments to place every citizen-facing rule on its website
- c. For TORA-complaint department any rule that is not explicitly on the website would be deemed not to apply.
- d. All the above

21. Consider the following statements

about International Centre for

Alternate Dispute Redressal (ICADR)

1. The Regional Centers of ICADR are fully funded and supported by the respective State Governments.

2. The Union Minister for Commerce and Industry is the Chairman of ICADR

Choose the correct statement/s.

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. None of the above

22. Which of the following are correct

about None of the Above (NOTA)

a. The provisions of NOTA are not included in the Rajya Sabha elections

b. If a voter (MLA) defies the party directive he is subjected to disqualification under Anti-defection law

- c. Both a & b
- d. None of the above

23. Consider the following statements

1. Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) is a statutory body under

Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, regulating the public exhibition of films

2. Films can be publicly exhibited in India only after they have been certified by the Central Board of Film

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Certification.

c. Both 1 and 2

d. None of the above

Choose the correct statement/s.

a. 1 only

b. 2 only

c. 1 and 2

d. None of these

24. Consider the following statements about CAPART (Council for Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology).

1) It was formed in the year 2017 by the Ministry of Rural Development.

2) It assists voluntary organizations across the country in implementing a wide range of development initiatives.

Choose the correct statements.

a. 1 only

b. 2 only

c. Both 1 and 2

d. None of the above

25. Consider the following statements regarding the new training programme Comprehensive Online Modified Modules on Induction Training (COMMIT).

1) To improve the public service delivery mechanism

2) To provide citizen centric administration

Choose the incorrect statements.

a. 1 only

b. 2 only

26. Match the below schemes with their corresponding services

1) Tele-Law      A) Legal advice from lawyers for rural marginalized population.

2) Pro bono legal      B) To encourage lawyers services and legal professionals to volunteer for Public good.

3) 'Nyaya Mitra      C) Reducing scheme'      pendency of cases especially on those pending for more than 10 years.

a) 1:A ,2 :B, 3:C

b) 1:A ,2 :C, 3:B

c) 1:C ,2 :B, 3:A

d) 1:C ,2 :A, 3:B

27. From the below identify the methods which can be used for financing Urban Local Bodies.

1) Value capture financing

2) User charges

3) National Investment and Infrastructure Fund

4) Municipal Bonds

a) 1 and 4 only

b) 1, 2 and 4 only

c) 4 only

d) All of the above

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28. Choose the correctly matched pairs.

1) Food Safety and Standards

Authority of India : Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

2) National Programme for Organic Production : Ministry of Commerce and Industry

3) Participatory Guarantee System for India [PGS-India] : Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare

a) 1 only

b) 1 and 3 only

c) 2 and 3 only

d) All of the above

29. Consider the following statements regarding Data (Privacy and Protection) Bill, 2017.

1) It emphasizes on Rights-based approach where consent of individual is mandatory for collection, processing, storing and deletion of personal data with very limited exceptions.

2) It allows for the creation of position of Data protection officer for grievance redressal of end-users.

Choose the correct statements.

a. 1 only

b. 2 only

c. Both 1 and 2

d. None of the above

30. Consider the following statements regarding Marital Rape in India

1) Section 375 of the Indian Penal Code criminalizes Marital Rape .

2) National Family Health Survey (NFHS) collects information about sexual violence in India.

Choose the correct statements.

a. 1 only

b. 2 only

c. Both 1 and 2

d. None of the above

31. Consider the following statements

regarding The DNA Based Technology (Use and Regulation) Bill, 2017.

1) It aims to prevent misuse of DNA technology by regulating and standardizing DNA testing as well as supervising the activities of all authorized laboratories

2) It allows DNA profiling to the purpose of identification and extracting other information.

3) It proposes the creation of a National DNA Data Bank and regional DNA databanks in every state or one or more states.

Choose the correct statements

a) 1 and 3 only

b) 2 only

c) 2 and 3 only

d) 1 and 2 only

32. Which of the following are true

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i) The main objective is to connect entrepreneurs in enabling networks of peers, mentors, funds and business services.

ii) The scheme support entrepreneurs through Entrepreneurship Hubs (E - Hubs).

Choose the appropriate code.

- a) i only
- b) ii only
- c) Both I & ii
- d) Neither I nor ii

33. Which of the following are incorrect regarding PRADHAN MANTRI UJJWALA YOJANA.

i) Its objective Providing 5 Crore free electricity connections to BPL households.

ii) Any Below Poverty Line (BPL) family, whose information is included in the district BPL list prepared by the State government will be the beneficiary .

Choose the appropriate code

- a) i only
- b) ii only
- c) Both I & ii
- d) Neither I nor ii

34. Which of the schemes are correctly matched

i) MINISTRY OF POWER - UDAY (UJWAL DISCOM ASSURANCE YOJANA).

ii) MINISTRY OF FINANCE - National Pension Scheme.

iii) MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT - National Commission for SafaiKaramcharis  
Choose the appropriate code

- a) I, ii only
- b) ii, iii only
- c) iii, I only
- d) I, ii, iii .

35. Which of the following is true regarding Khelo India

i) It is a national programme which aims to develop grassroots level talent by providing them with a national level platform.

ii) It aims for biggest school sport outreach programme to make football the sport of choice in India.

Choose the appropriate code

- a) i only
- b) ii only
- c) Both I & ii
- d) Neither I nor ii

36. Which of the following countries are permanent members of shangai cooperation Organisation(SCO)?

- 1) Pakistan
- 2) Russia
- 3) India
- 4) Tajikistan
- 5) Turkmenistan
- 6) Kyrgyzstan



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Options

- a) 1 2 3 4 and 6
- b) 2 4 5 and 6
- c) 1 3 4 and 5
- d) 4 5 and 6

37. Consider the following statements

regarding BIMSTEC

1) Permanent secretariat of BIMSTEC is in Kaatmandu.

2) India is a founder member of BIMSTEC

3) BIMSTEC Free Trade Agreement was established in June 2017

Which of the following are not true?

OPTIONS

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 and 3
- c) 1 and 3
- d) None of the above

38. In which of the following groupings

India is not a member?

- 1) Wassenaar Arrangement
- 2) Australia Group
- 3) Nuclear supplier Group
- 4) Missile Technology Control Regime

OPTIONS

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

39. Which of the following are

ransomware attacks in news?

1) Wannacry

2) Notpetya

3) Cryptolocker

4) Tesla crypt

OPTIONS

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

40. Shekatkar Committee which was

constituted by Government of India is related to

- a) Combating cyber attacks
- b) curbing black money
- c) Defense reforms
- d) Curbing left wing extremism

41. Consider the following statements

regarding Xiamen declaration

1) It is an outcome of 2017 SAARC summit, held in Xiamen.

2) The theme of the declaration was "Stronger Partnership for a brighter future".

Which of the following statements are correct?

**OPTIONS**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

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42. Which of the following places recently in news are correctly matched with countries?

Places	Countries
1. Rakhine	Bangladesh
2. Tel aviv	Iran
3. Astana	Turkmenistan

**Options**

- a) 2 and 3
- b) 1 and 3
- c) 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

43. Asia-Africa Growth Corridor is a joint initiative of which countries?

- a) India and Japan
- b) BRICS Countries
- c) Asia Africa joint forum countries
- d) India, Japan and China

44. Operation 'Insaniyat' is related to which of the following?

- a) Rohingya refugees
- b) counter terrorism
- c) Climate change refugees
- d) Rescuing Indian Diaspora from other countries during emergency

45. The first phase of National Cyber Coordination Centre (NCCC) has been made operational now. Which of the following statements are true about it?

1) NCCC is a multi-stakeholder body and comes under Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In)

2) The centre is under the administrative control of ministry of Home Affairs.

3) It derives its powers as per provisions of section 69B of the Information Technology Act, 2000.

**OPTIONS**

- a) 1 AND 2
- b) 2 AND 3
- c) 1 AND 3
- d) All the above

46. Underlining WTO's Agreement on Agriculture, Subsidies for agriculture are categorised into different boxes. Subsidies which are trade distorting and need to be curbed are called as

- a) Green box
- b) Blue box
- c) Amber box
- d) Red box

47. Match the following joint exercises of India with the respective countries

Joint Exercise	Country
1) Varuna	a) UK
2) Hand in Hand	b) China
3) Surya Kiran	c) France
4) Konkan	d) Nepal

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### OPTIONS

- |    | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|----|---|---|---|---|
| a) | a | c | b | d |
| b) | c | b | d | a |
| c) | b | a | c | d |
| d) | d | a | b | c |

48. Which of the following countries are not part of the proposed Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership(RCEP)?

- 1)Australia
- 2)Newzealand
- 3)Korea
- 4)Japan
- 5)China
- 6)Brunei

### Options

- a)1 2 4 and 5
- b)4 and 5
- c)6 only
- d)None of the above

49. Hamburg action plan is associated with which of the following grouping?

- a) G20
- b) BRICS
- c)UNITED NATIONS
- d)EU

50. Which of the following statements are true about Muntra, launched recently ?

- 1) It is India's first unmanned, remotely operated tank.

2) It is used for surveillance, mine detection and reconnaissance in areas with nuclear and biological threats.

3)It was developed by DRDO(Defence Research and Development Organisation)

### OPTIONS

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

51. Consider the following statements regarding South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation (SASEC) Program

1)The South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation (SASEC) Program was setup recently in 2010.

2) Member countries include Bangladesh, India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka

3) Philippines-based Asian Development Bank (ADB) serves as the Secretariat for the SASEC member countries

Which of the statements are incorrect?

- a)1 and 2
- b)2 and 3
- c)1 and 3
- d)None of the above

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52. With which of the following regional groupings does India have a free trade agreement in force?

- 1) European Union
- 2) SAARC
- 3) ASEAN

**OPTIONS**

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

53. Recently there was a rift between countries of Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) and Qatar. Which of the following countries are part of (GCC)?

- 1) Bahrain
- 2) Kuwait
- 3) Oman
- 4) Iraq
- 5) Iran
- 6) United Arab Emirates

**OPTIONS**

- a) 1 2 3 and 6
- b) 1 2 and 3
- c) 1 2 3 4 and 6
- d) 4 5 and 6

54. A recent report of IB mentioned Rohingyas as a security threat to India. Which of the following statements are true about Rohingyas?

- 1) Rohingyas are of Buddhist origin.

2) They are from Rakhine State, Myanmar.

3) Rohingyas are stateless people.

**OPTIONS**

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

55. Which of the following neighbourhood countries of India are signatories of China's 'Belt and Road' Initiative?

- 1) Nepal
- 2) Bhutan
- 3) Sri Lanka
- 4) Myanmar

**OPTIONS**

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

56. Which of the following ports are correctly matched with their countries?

Ports	Countries
1) Sittwe	Sri Lanka
2) Hambantota	Myanmar
3) Chittagong	Bangladesh
4) Gwadar	Pakistan
a) 1 and 2	
b) 3 and 4	
c) 2 3 and 4	
d) All the above	

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57. Consider the following statements about the recently tested ASTRA missile

- 1) It is an indigenously developed missile by DRDO
- 2) It is surface-to-air missile
- 3) It is a beyond visual range Missile

Which of the above statements are true?

**OPTIONS**

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

58. Consider the following statements regarding Kaladan multimodal transport project

- 1) The transport project passes through Bangladesh
- 2) The multimodal transport includes sea, road, inland waterway and rail.

Which of the following statements are not true?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

59. Consider the following statements regarding Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)

- 1) It is one of the principal Organs of United Nations
- 2) India is a member of ECOSOC

Which of the statements are incorrect?

**OPTIONS**

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

60. Global Human Capital report is released by

- a) International Labour Organisation
- b) World Bank
- c) World Economic Forum
- d) INSEAD

61. Consider the following statements:

1. UNESCO has inscribed 'KumbhMela' on the Representative List of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.
2. This festival is held in Allahabad, Haridwar, Ujjain and Nasik.

Choose the correct choice given below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

62. Consider the following regarding UNESCO's creative cities Network:

1. UNESCO programme which recognises cities world-wide who foster innovation and creativity as key

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drivers for a more sustainable and inclusive urban development.

2. Chennai has been included in the UNESCO Creative Cities Network.

Choose the correct choice given below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above.

63. UNESCO Award for Cultural Heritage was awarded to which of the following Cultural site:

- a) Srirangam temple
- b) Madurai Meenakshi temple
- c) Sanchi Stupa
- d) Virupaksha Temple

64. Consider the following regarding Hornbill festival:

- 1. The Hornbill Festival is a celebration held every year in Nagaland
- 2. It is also called the 'Festival of Festivals'.
- 3. Hornbill Festival of Nagaland is named after the Great Indian Hornbill.
- 4. The aim of the festival is to revive and protect the rich culture of Nagaland and display its extravaganza and tradition

Choose the correct choice:

- a) 1,2,4
- b) 1,2,3
- c) 1,3,4
- d) All of the above

65. Consider the following regarding Paika rebellion:

- 1. Paikas were essentially the peasant militias of the Gajapati rulers of Odisha
- 2. They rebelled against the British under the leadership of Baxi Jagandhu Bidyadhara as early as 1817 to throw off the British .

Choose the correct choice:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

66. Project 'Mausam' an initiative of Ministry of Culture is implemented by:

- a) NITI Aayog
- b) Secretary to Ministry of Tourism
- c) Archaeological Survey of India
- d) None of the above

67. Consider the following statements:

- 1. City of Ahmedabad is declared as Historic City under UNESCO's World Heritage Property.
- 2. The walled city of Ahmedabad lies on the eastern bank of the Sabarmati river.

Choose the correct choice:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

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68. Consider the following :

1. Amsar Act 2010 provides for the preservation of ancient and historical monuments and archaeological sites and remains of national importance.
2. Recently this act was amended to allow public works or projects essential for public in prohibited area within 100 meter from protected monument but not having substantial impact on preservation, safety, security or access to the monument.

Choose the correct choice:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

69. Who among the following were involved in Champaran Satyagraha:

1. Brajkishore Prasad
2. Rajendra Prasad
3. Anugrah Narayan
4. J. B. Kripalani

- a) 1,2,3
- b) 1,2,4
- c) 1,3,4
- d) All of the above

70. Consider the following regarding Azad Hind Fauj:

1. It was an Indian provisional government established in occupied Singapore in 1943.

2. It was supported by USA, France during the second world war.

Choose the correct choice:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

71. Consider the following:

Festival

Region

- |                     |           |
|---------------------|-----------|
| 1. Loshar           | Meghalaya |
| 2. Wangala          | Kashmir   |
| 3. Sajibu Cheiraoba | Manipur   |

Choose the correct choice:

- a) 1,2 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 3 only
- d) All of the above

72. Consider the following regarding Alpana:

1. Alpana is a folk art of Maharashtra was mainly done on the floor and the walls of the house.
2. Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage has joined hands with the Daricha Foundation to revive the lost folk art of Alpana.

Choose the correct choice:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above.

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73. August Kranti in Indian History is also known as:

- a) Swadeshi Movement
- b) Revolt of 1857
- c) Quit India Movement
- d) Delhi Chalo

74. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Prevention of cruelty to animals Act was amended to exempt Kambala.
- 2. Kambala is the traditional slush track buffalo race of Kerala.

Choose the correct choice:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

75. Talanoa Dialogue is associated with which among the following:

- a) IUCN
- b) UNFCCC
- c) WWF
- d) Greenpeace

76. Consider the following statements regarding Black Buck:

- 1. They are generally found in grasslands and open forests.
- 2. Uttar Pradesh government recently approved for Blackbuck Conservation Reserve in the Meja forest division.

Choose the correct choice:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only

c) Both 1 and 2

d) None of the following

77. The 'Graded Response Action Plan'

was notified by the Environment

Ministry. The plan is meant to tackle

a) Air pollution in all urban regions of India

b) Water pollution in river Ganga

c) Soil pollution in eastern regions of India

d) None of the above

78. The prohibition of usage of pet coke

by the supreme court in few states

will result in

1. Higher fuel cost for cement

companies operating out of these states

2. Reduced emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen dioxide

Choose the correct choice:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

79. With reference to SEBI, which of the following statement is/ are correct?

- 1) SEBI is the statutory regulator for the securities market in India
- 2) SEBI has come up with comprehensive guidelines asking the Commodity derivatives exchanges to



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compulsorily set up investor  
protection and service funds

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

80. Which of the following institute  
developed a microbial called SONA  
under Jute-ICARE project which will  
enhance fibre yield by 20%

- a) Central Research Institute for Jute  
and Allied Fibres
- b) Institute of Jute Technology
- c) Indian Jute Industries Research  
Association
- d) Jute Agricultural Research Laboratory

81. The framework, 'Graded Surveillance  
Measure', was recently introduced by  
which one of the following Indian  
regulatory authorities?

- a) Food Safety and Standards  
Authority of India
- b) National Highways Authority of  
India
- c) Reserve Bank of India
- d) Securities and Exchange Board  
of India

82. "Investment facilitation mechanism"  
aims to promote and facilitate trade  
and investment between

- a) India and US
- b) India and European union

- c) India and Japan
- d) India and china

83. With reference to "New Metro  
Rail policy 2016", which of the  
following statement is/ are correct?

1. The policy make PPP (Public Private  
Partnership) component mandatory  
for availing central assistance for new  
metro projects
2. The new policy mandate Transit  
Oriented Development (TOD) to  
promote compact and dense urban  
development along metro corridors.

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

84. The annual 'World Investment  
Report' is published by

- a) World Bank
- b) World Trade Organisation
- c) United Nations Conference on Trade  
and Development
- d) World Economic Forum

85. With reference to "Index of  
Industrial Production", which of the  
following statement is/ are correct?  
1. It is compiled and published  
monthly by the Central Statistical  
Organization

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2. The CSO had revised the base year of the IIP from 2004-05 to 2011-12
3. items included falls into 3 categories viz. Manufacturing, Mining & Electricity
- a) 1 and 2 only  
b) 2 only  
c) 2 and 3 only  
d) 1, 2 and 3
86. The Union Government has issued gazette notification, notifying that Peer-to-peer lending (P2P) platforms will be regulated by
- a) Securities and Exchange Board of India  
b) Reserve Bank of India  
c) SIDBI  
d) NABARD
87. Consider the following statements  
The International Monetary Fund (IMF) in its World Economic Outlook (WEO)
- 1) The global economic growth rate will be increasing in 2018  
2) India's GDP growth rate is also revised upwards.  
Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?
- a) 1 only  
b) 2 only  
c) Both 1 and 2  
d) Neither 1 nor 2
88. With reference to "Monetary policy committee" (MPC), which of the following statement is/ are correct?
- 1) MPC is a committee of the central bank — Reserve Bank of India, headed by its Governor.  
2) The 6 member MPC is entrusted with the task of fixing the benchmark policy interest rate (repo rate) to contain inflation.  
3) Each member has one vote and governor has casting vote in case of tie.
- a) 1 and 2 only  
b) 2 only  
c) 2 and 3 only  
d) 1, 2 and 3
89. Which ministry has recently initiated the process of formulation of a New Industrial Policy to deploy a different set of ideas and strategies to build a globally competitive Indian industry.
- a) Ministry of Heavy Industry & Public Enterprises  
b) Ministry of Commerce & Industry  
c) Ministry of Finance  
d) NITI Aayog
90. The Ministry of Agriculture's 'Seven-point Strategy' to double

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farmers' income by 2022 includes which of the following provisions

- 1) Increase in production
- 2) Effective use of input cost
- 3) Reduction of post harvest loss
- 4) Value addition
- 5) Risk, security and assistance.

- a) 1,2,3 and 4
- b) 1,2,4, and 5
- c) 1,2 and 3
- d) 1,2,3,4 and 5

91. The Standing Committee on Energy (Chair: Mr.Virendra Kumar) has recently submitted its report on the Review of the National Electricity Policy. As per the report , Which of the following is/are the challenges of the power sector

1) fall in solar tariff and its low gestation period is posing a threat to the economic viability of thermal power plants

2) financial condition of the power distribution companies (discoms).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

92. Which of the following two commodity exchanges merge recently to create country's third largest commodity exchange

- a) MCX merge with NCDEX
- b) MCX merge with SEBI
- c) NMCE merge with ICEX
- d) NMCE merge with NCDEX

93. Which of the following is true regarding cryptocurrencies?

- 1) It is a virtual currency that uses cryptography
- 2) It can be easily counterfeited
- 3) It is issued by the central bank of the country

Options

- A) 1 only
- B) 2 only
- C) 1 and 2
- D) 1 and 3

94. Which of the following is true about Nag?

- 1) It is an anti tank missile developed by DRDO
- 2) It is part of the integrated missile development programme
- 3) It uses fire and forget technology

Options

- A) 1 only
- B) 1 and 2
- C) 1 and 3
- D) All the above

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95. KELT-9b recently in news is associated with which of the following

- A) The hottest known planet
- B) A new species of plant in western ghats
- C) Vaccine against kala azar
- D) An asteroid spotted near Saturn

96. Regarding Biotechnology innovation organisation (BIO) which of the following is true?

- 1) The recently held convention was held under India's chairmanship
- 2) It helps towards a growing biotechnology industry involving research and development of innovative healthcare, agri, industrial and environmental products.

Options

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

97. Regarding quantum computing, which of the following is true?

- 1) It uses qubits to store information
- 2) It function according to the principles of superposition and entanglement

Options

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

98. Regarding JeevanBindi recently seen in news, which of the following is correct ?

- A) It is a vermilion which cures iodine deficiency
- B) It is a genetically modified variety of lady's finger
- C) A portal to reduce drop out ratio in primary schools
- D) None of the above

99. Which of the following is true regarding stem cells?

- 1) They are derived from embryos and adult tissues
- 2) They are a class of undifferentiated cells that are able to differentiate into specialised cells

Options

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

100. Regarding Kala azar which if the following is true?

- 1) It is a vector borne disease
- 2) It is caused by bacteria
- 3) It is endemic in eastern states of India

Options

- A) 1 only
- B) 2 only
- C) 1 and 3
- D) All the above