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- 1. Consider the following statements regarding Special Category Status (SCS) in India:
 - It was first introduced on the recommendation of the Sixth Finance Commission.
 - The Indian Constitution includes specific provisions for categorising states as SCS states.
 - 3. SCS states are exempted from customs duty, corporate tax, and income tax.

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- Which of the following articles is associated with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG)?
 - (a) Article 140
 - (b) Article 142
 - (c) Article 148
 - (d) Article 143
- 3. Which of the following group of persons are eligible for getting free legal services under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987?
 - 1. Women and children
 - 2. Members of SC/ST
 - 3. Industrial workmen
 - 4. Disabled persons
 - 5. Persons in custody

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

- **4.** Consider the following statements regarding the National Informatics Centre:
 - It is an executive authority under the Ministry of Communications.
 - It provides e-Governance support to central and state governments and district administrations.
 - 3. It is responsible for the implementation of the MyGov initiative.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 3 only
- the Streptococcal toxic shock syndrome (STSS), which was recently seen in the news:
 - STSS is a severe infection caused by a bacterium known for its rapid progression.
 - It can be quite contagious and can spread to others through respiratory droplets or direct contact.

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

- 6. Which of the following statements are correct regarding the provisions for elections to State Legislatures in India?
 - The Election Commission of India has the authority to conduct and regulate elections to State Legislatures.
 - The Parliament of India can make provisions with respect to elections to the State Legislature.
 - 3. The State Legislature itself has the power to legislate on matters related to its elections.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- 7. Which of the following institutions releases the "Global Gender Gap Report"?
 - (a) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
 - (b) World Bank
 - (c) World Economic Forum (WEF)
 - (d) International Monetary Fund (IMF)
- **8.** With reference to the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a statutory body that fixes/revises tariffs for telecom services.
 - 2. The Chairperson and other members hold office for a term of three years or till the age of 65 years.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 9. Consider the following statements about the UPSC Chairman:
 - 1. The chairman holds office for a term of a maximum of six years or until they attain the age of 65 years.
 - 2. The UPSC chairman enjoys a security of tenure.
 - 3. The President can remove the chairman of UPSC for misbehaviour.
 - 4. The chairman can relinquish his offices at any time by addressing their resignation to the president.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 4 only
- (c) 2, 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- **10.** Consider the following statements with reference to powers of Election Commission of India:
 - 1. It has power to register and deregister political parties.
 - 2. It can withdraw recognition of a recognised political party.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 11. With reference to the provisions related to the use of languages for official purposes in India, consider the following statements:
 - 1. English was used for all official purposes of the Union for ten years starting from the commencement of the Constitution.
 - 2. The Official Languages Act (1963) mandates the use of English for communication between the Union and non-Hindi states.

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

- **12.** Consider the following agreements in the post-independence era:
 - 1. Shimla Agreement
 - Treaty of Peace and Friendship between India and Soviet Union
 - 3. Tashkent Agreement
 - 4. Bandung Conference

What is the correct chronological order of the above events, starting from the earliest?

- (a) 3-1-4-2
- (b) 4-3-1-2
- (c) 2-3-1-4
- (d) 4-3-2-1
- 13. In the context of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), 2005, consider the following statements:
 - The scheme is implemented by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj.
 - 2. The Act guarantees 180 days of wage employment in a financial year to rural households.
 - 3. The Act mandates that at least half of the beneficiaries shall be women.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- **14.** The E-Government Development Index is released by which of the following?
 - (a) International Telecommunication Union
 - (b) World Bank

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- (c) World Economic Forum
- (d) United Nations Public Administration Programme

- **15.** Consider the following countries:
 - 1. India
 - 2. China
 - 3. South Korea
 - 4. United States
 - 5. Japan

How many of the above are part of "The Biopharmaceutical Alliance", which was recently launched?

- (a) Only two
- (b) Only three
- (c) Only four
- (d) All five
- **16.** With reference to the Model Code of Conduct (MCC), consider the following statements:
 - 1. MCC is a set of guidelines laid down by the Election Commission of India to govern the conduct of political parties and candidates.
 - 2. It is governed by the Model Code of Conduct (rules and guidelines) Act 1960.
 - 3. MCC was first introduced in state assembly elections in Kerala.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 17. Cases related to which of the following crimes can be handled by the CBI?
 - 1. Anti-corruption crimes
 - 2. Economic crimes
 - 3. Money laundering

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

- **18.** Which of the following committees/commissions are associated with police reforms in Post independence India?
 - 1. Ram Nath Kovind Committee
 - 2. Padmanabhaiah Committee
 - 3. Ribeiro Committee
 - 4. Dharma Vira Committee

- (a) 2 and 4 only
- (b) 2, 3, and 4 only
- (c) 1, 2, 3, and 4
- (d) 1 and 4 only
- 19. Consider the following, regarding the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005:
 - 1. Directorate of Enforcement
 - 2. Narcotics Control Bureau
 - 3. National Security Guards
 - 4. Indo-Tibetan Border Police

How many of the above organizations are exempt from providing information under the RTI Act?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- **20.** Which of the following provisions were introduced by the 97th Constitutional Amendment Act?
 - 1. Established the right to form cooperative societies as a fundamental right.
 - 2. Added a new Part IX-A to the Constitution.
 - 3. Empowered Parliament to enact laws governing multi-state cooperative societies.
 - 4. Provided that cooperatives are a central subject under the Constitution.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

- **21.** According to the Representation of the People Act of 1951, which of the following groups of people is not allowed to vote?
 - 1. Persons under a sentence of imprisonment
 - 2. Persons in the lawful custody of the police
 - 3. Persons under preventive detention Select the correct answer using the code given below.
 - (a) 1 and 2 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only
 - (c) 1 and 3 only
 - (d) 1, 2, and 3
- **22.** Consider the following statements with reference to the Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB):
 - 1. It is a high powered body under the Department of Personnel and Training.
 - It advises the Government on appointments to the top management posts in Central Public Sector Enterprises.
 - 3. It is headed by the secretary of the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **23.** Consider the following tools:
 - 1. Social Audits
 - 2. Participatory Budget Analysis
 - 3. Community Scorecards
 - 4. Citizen Charters

How many of the above tools enhance social accountability?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four

- 24. With reference to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) rules in India, consider the following statements:
 - 1. CSR spending is applicable to companies incorporated in India as well as a foreign company having its office in India.
 - 2. The companies are required to spend a minimum of 2% of their average net profit for the preceding three financial years on CSR activities.
 - 3. Non-compliance with CSR provisions is a criminal offence.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 25. "It was a spontaneous mobilisation of women demanding a ban on the sale of alcohol in their neighbourhoods. It started in Andhra Pradesh in the 1990s. It touched upon larger social, economic and political issues of the region that affected women's life."

Which of the following movements is being described in the passage given above?

- (a) Nav Nirman movement
- (b) Anti Arrack movement
- (c) Gulabi Gang movement
- (d) SEWA movement
- **26.** Consider the following statements about the social audit in India:
 - 1. It is the examination and assessment of a program or scheme with active public involvement, comparing official records with actual ground realities.
 - Social Audit has been made mandatory under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), 2005.
 - 3. Meghalaya is the first state in India that has implemented a social audit law.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

- 27. Recently India and Iran signed a 10-year contract for the operations at Chabahar Port, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a deepwater port situated on the Gulf of Oman.
 - 2. It is the only Iranian port with direct access to the Arabian sea.

Which of the statements given above is/are *not* correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **28.** Which of the following statements best describes the 'FASTER initiative' sometimes seen in the news?
 - (a) It is an initiative to enhance the speed of internet connectivity across rural areas in India.
 - (b) It is a scheme to accelerate electric vehicle adoption and infrastructure development in major cities.
 - (c) It is an initiative aimed at enabling the Supreme Court to transmit court orders securely and instantly.
 - (d) It is a government program to fast-track renewable energy projects to meet climate change goals.
- 29. In which of the following cases can a party be recognised as a state party?
 - 1. If it wins three per cent of seats in the legislative assembly at a general election to the legislative assembly of the state concerned.
 - 2. If it secures six per cent of the valid votes polled in the state at a general election to the legislative assembly of the state and, in addition, it wins 1 seat in the assembly of that state.
 - 3. If it secures eight per cent of the total valid votes polled in the state at a General Election to the Lok Sabha from that state.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

- **30.** Consider the following statements regarding Prime Ministers Awards for Excellence in Public Administration:
 - 1. It was instituted on the recommendations of the Second Administrative Reforms Commission.
 - 2. All officers of Central & State Governments individually or as organizations are eligible for this award.
 - 3. The awards are given only for implementing identified priority programmes of the Government of India.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 2 and 3 only
- **31.** Consider the following pairs:

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1. Junagarh : Following a police

action by the Indian

government

2. Hyderabad : By a plebiscite

conducted among the

people

3. Manipur : By signing the

Instrument of

accession.

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- Which of the following is the primary purpose of the "Pravaah portal", recently unveiled by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)?
 - (a) To provide retail investors with access to government securities.
 - (b) To offer an online platform for applying for regulatory approvals.
 - (c) To facilitate cross-border payments.
 - (d) To provide data on Indian FinTech firms

- **33.** Consider the following statements regarding the electoral rolls:
 - The Representation of the People Act,
 1951 provides for general electoral rolls
 and separate electoral rolls.
 - General electoral rolls include all eligible voters residing in the country while separate electoral rolls include eligible voters residing outside the country.
 - The Constitution empowered the Election
 Commission of India to prepare and maintain the electoral rolls.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- **34.** Consider the following statements about the Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI), 2023:
 - The CPI score ranges from 0 to 100, with higher scores indicating higher levels of corruption.
 - 2. India has improved its ranks in CPI 2023 as compared to CPI 2022.

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

- 35. Council for Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART) is an autonomous body under the Ministry of Rural Development. Which of the following is *not* an objective of CAPART?
 - (a) To act as a catalyst for the development of technology appropriate for rural areas.
 - (b) To support the district administration in sustainable development of rural NGOs and voluntary organisations.
 - (c) To encourage, promote and assist voluntary action for the implementation of projects intending enhancement of rural prosperity.
 - (d) To plan projects aimed at creation of employment opportunities and promotion of self-reliance in rural areas through voluntary action.
- 36. How many of the following commissions or committees are related to the Electoral Reforms?
 - 1. Goswami Committee
 - 2. Vohra Committee
 - 3. Indrajit Gupta Committee
 - 4. Second Administrative Reforms

 Commission

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four

- 37. Consider the following statements:
 - Statement 1: The decisions of the National Green Tribunal (NGT) can only be appealed directly to the Supreme Court of India.
 - Statement 2: The NGT was established with a dedicated jurisdiction in environmental matters to provide speedy environmental justice.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II explains Statement-I
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, but Statement-II does not explain Statement-I
- (c) Statement I is correct, but Statement II is incorrect
- (d) Statement I is incorrect, but Statement II is correct
- 38. Which of the following best describes "Blood Minerals," which was recently seen in the news?
 - (a) Minerals that are legally traded and verified by international agencies.
 - (b) Minerals that are used in the production of high-tech devices like smartphones and laptops.
 - (c) Minerals that are mined in conflict zones and are associated with severe human rights violations.
 - (d) Minerals that have very high concentrations of iron and magnesium.
- **39.** Which teams have won the ICC T20 World Cup at least 2 times?
 - (a) Australia, India, and Sri Lanka
 - (b) India, England, and West Indies
 - (c) India, Australia, and West Indies
 - (d) England, Australia, and New zealand

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- **40.** Which of the following is an attached office to the NITI Aayog?
 - Council of Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology
 - Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office
 - National Institute of Labour Economics
 Research and Development

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

41. Consider the following:

- To investigate and all matters relating to the constitutional and other legal safeguards for the SCs and STs.
- To inquire into specific complaints with respect to the deprivation of rights and safeguards of the SCs and STs.
- To make recommendations as to the measures that should be taken by the Union for effective implementation of safeguards of the SCs and STs.

Which of the above are functions of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes?

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

42. With respect to the States Reorganisation Commission (1953), consider the following statements.

Statement I: The Commission recommended the reorganization of state boundaries primarily based on economic viability and administrative convenience rather than linguistic lines.

Statement II: This resulted in the creation of 14 states and 6 union territories.

Which one of the following is correct in respect to the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- (c) Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- Which of the following statements is *not* correct regarding the Finance Commission of India?
 - (a) It recommends the distribution of net proceeds of taxes between the union and the states.
 - (b) It recommends the principles to be followed by the centre while giving grants-in-aid to the states out of the Consolidated Fund of India.
 - (c) It recommends the distribution of net proceeds of taxes between a state and its Panchayati Raj institutions.
 - (d) Both (a) and (b)

- 44. With reference to the Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is an initiative aimed to promote voter education and increase electoral participation.
 - 2. It has been launched by the Election Commission of India.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **45.** Consider the following:
 - 1. Announcement of schedule of elections
 - 2. Model Code of Conduct comes into effect
 - 3. Presidential notification calling electorate to elect members.
 - 4. Delimitation of constituencies

What is the correct chronological order of the above events, starting from the earliest?

- (a) 4-1-2-3
- (b) 1-4-2-3
- (c) 4-1-3-2
- (d) 2-4-1-3
- **46.** Consider the following statements about the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita 2023:
 - It added new offences such as organised crime, terrorism, and grievous hurt by a group.
 - 2. It has now decriminalises sexual intercourse with a woman by making false promises.
 - 3. It removes the offence of sedition.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 47. Which of the following statements is *not* correct regarding the First-Past-The-Post system?
 - (a) The candidate with the most votes in a constituency wins.
 - (b) It helps in producing clear winners and often results in coalition governments.
 - (c) It is commonly used in countries like the United Kingdom, the United States, Canada, and India.
 - (d) It can lead to under-representation of smaller parties.
- **48.** Consider the following statements regarding BRICS Games:
 - 1. It is a multi-sport event that is held every four years.
 - 2. It is only open to athletes from BRICS member countries.
 - 3. The BRICS Games 2024 were hosted by Russia.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **49.** AI Krish and AI Bhoomi, recently seen in the news, are:
 - (a) AI-enabled self-operating drones
 - (b) AI-powered agricultural robots
 - (c) AI TV anchors
 - (d) AI-based weather forecasting systems

- 50. Right to a Clean Environment is not explicitly mentioned in the Indian Constitution. However, it is derived from several constitutional provisions. In this context, which of the following articles contain the provisions related to clean environment?
 - 1. Article 21
 - 2. Article 48A
 - 3. Article 51

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- by the National Commission to Review the Working of the Constitution (NCRWC) in its recommendations?
 - 1. Strengthening of the judiciary
 - 2. Federalism and distribution of powers
 - 3. Electoral reforms

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1, 2 and 3
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1 and 3 only
- Simultaneous Elections constituted under the Chairmanship of Ram Nath Kovind submitted its report. In this context consider the following statements with reference to 'One nation One election':
 - 1. In India, only parliament has the power to make laws for conduct of election for parliament and state assembly elections.
 - 2. It requires a constitutional amendment which has to be ratified by the state legislative assembly by at least half of all the states in the Union of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 53. Which among the following roles are performed by the civil society organisations in policy making?
 - Facilitating communication in the planning process
 - 2. Advocacy for underprivileged sections
 - Mobilising local resources and initiatives for proper planning
 - 4. Monitoring and evaluation of government policies

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- **54.** With reference to the cooperative societies, consider the following statements:
 - Cooperative societies are voluntary associations of individuals with common interests.
 - The subject 'cooperative societies' falls under the concurrent list of the Indian Constitution.
 - 3. Members of a cooperative society have equal voting rights regardless of their capital contribution.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

- 55. Consider the following statements regarding the Forest Rights Act, 2006:
 - The Act provides for the creation of Community Forest Resource Management Committees.
 - 2. The Act allows for ownership of up to 10 hectares of land for forest-dwelling families.
 - 3. The Gram Sabha is involved in decision-making related to community forest resources and individual claims.

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- **56.** Which of the following statements is *not* correct regarding Dalit Panthers movement?
 - (a) It was inspired by the social movement that sought to combat racial discrimination against Afro-Americans in US.
 - (b) It aimed at elevating the rank of the dalits without destroying the caste system.
 - (c) It sought to include other oppressed sections like the landless poor peasants in its movement.
 - (d) Many accounts of dalit atrocities were published in Marathi literature as part of the movement.
- 57. With reference to the General Consent Principle for the CBI, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It permits the CBI to investigate central government employees for corruption.
 - 2. In its absence CBI must obtain state approval for a case before conducting an investigation.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

58. Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: The Proportional Representation system, provides representation to parties and minority groups and reduces the disparity between votes received and seats won.

Statement-II: In this system, seats are allocated to parties in proportion to the number of votes each party receives.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement II is the correct explanation for Statement I
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- (c) Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
- (d) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- 59. With reference to the provisions related to the board and office bearers of cooperative societies, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The number of directors on the board of a cooperative society is determined by the state legislature but cannot exceed 21.
 - 2. The state legislature provides 1 reserved seat for SC/ST members and 2 for women on each cooperative society board.

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

- 60. Consider the following statements regarding the Consumer Protection Act, 2019:
 - 1. The Act allows consumers to file complaints electronically.
 - 2. The Act establishes the Central Consumer Protection Authority to regulate matters relating to the violation of the rights of consumers.
 - 3. The Act does not address product liability that is for any harm caused by defective products.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 61. With reference to the National Investigation Agency (NIA), consider the following statements:
 - 1. It is a statutory body that comes under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
 - 2. State governments have the authority to refer cases to the NIA for investigation.
 - 3. The NIA can investigate scheduled offenses committed outside India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 only
- (d) 1, 2, and 3
- **62.** Which of the following comes under the jurisdiction of Lokpal?
 - 1. Prime Minister
 - 2. President
 - 3. Members of Parliament

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

- **63.** Consider the following statements regarding the Finance Commission:
 - The Parliament can constitute it for every five years or even earlier.
 - 2. It provides measures needed to augment the Consolidated Fund of a state to supplement the resources of the panchayats.
 - The chairman of NITI Aayog is an exofficio member of the Finance Commission.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- **64.** Consider the following statements with reference to exit polls is India:
 - These are surveys based on pre-polls voters sentiments.
 - Exit polls of a particular constituency can be published after the completion of voting in that electoral constituency.

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

- 65. Consider the following statements regarding the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015:
 - The Act defines a child as any person who has not completed sixteen years of age.
 - 2. The Act prohibits capital punishment or life imprisonment for children, even if tried as adults.
 - 3. The Act made Child Welfare Committees (CWCs) responsible for the care, protection, treatment, development, and rehabilitation of children.

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 66. According to the Chief Election
 Commissioner and other Election
 Commissioners (Appointment, Conditions of
 Service and Term of Office) Act, 2023, the
 CEC and other ECs shall be appointed by the
 President on the recommendation of a
 Selection Committee. Which of the following
 are the members of the selection committee?
 - 1. Prime Minister
 - 2. Chief Justice of India
 - 3. Leader of Opposition
 - 4. Speaker of Lok Sabha
 - 5. Union Cabinet Minister

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

- **67.** Consider the following:
 - 1. Body established or constituted by or under the Constitution
 - 2. Body established or constituted by any other law made by Parliament/State Legislature
 - 3. Body established or constituted by notification issued or order made by the Government
 - 4. NGOs directly financed by the Government
 - 5. NGOs indirectly funded by the Government

How many of the following bodies are termed as "Public authority" under the Right to Information Act 2005?

- (a) Only two
- (b) Only three
- (c) Only four
- (d) All five
- **68.** In the context of Home Voting, consider the following statements:
 - The 2024 Lok Sabha election was the first-time home voting was allowed in the Lok Sabha election.
 - 2. It is primarily designed to aid the elderly and and individuals with an 80% or higher benchmark disability.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **69.** Consider the following events:
 - 1. First democratically elected communist government in Kerala
 - 2. Formation of Socialist Party
 - 3. First general elections

What is the correct chronological order of the above events, starting from the earliest?

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

- **70.** Consider the following statements regarding the Migration and Development Brief 2024 released recently:
 - 1. It is released by the World Bank.
 - 2. India is the top recipient of remittances.
 - 3. The largest origin country of migrants is India.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 71. Which of the following are involved in the appointment of members of the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC)?
 - 1. Prime minister
 - 2. Chief Justice of India
 - 3. Union minister of home affairs
 - 4. Leader of the Opposition in the Lok Sabha

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 72. The terms "SUVAS and SUPACE" is often seen in the news in the context of:
 - (a) Police System
 - (b) Judicial System
 - (c) Internal Security
 - (d) Space Research
- **73.** Xylitol and Erythritol, which are recently seen in the news are
 - (a) pesticides.
 - (b) vaccines.
 - (c) sugar substitutes.
 - (d) food preservatives.

- 74. The Species Threat Abatement and Restoration (STAR) Metric, which is recently seen in the news was developed by
 - (a) International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
 - (b) United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
 - (c) World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)
 - (d) World Health Organization (WHO)
- 75. In which of the following cases did the Supreme Court of India held that freedom of speech and expression through the medium of the internet is an integral part of Article 19(1)(a) of the Constitution?
 - (a) Puttaswamy vs Union of India
 - (b) Shreya Singhal vs Union of India
 - (c) Anuradha Bhasin vs. Union of India and Ors.
 - (d) Indra Sawhney vs Union of India
- **76.** Consider the following Indices:
 - 1. Ease of Living Index
 - 2. School Education Quality Index
 - 3. State ranking index for the National Food Security Act
 - 4. India Innovation Index

How many of the above indices are released by the NITI Aayog?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- 77. Sevottam is a generic framework for achieving excellence in public service delivery. Which of the following is/are the components under the Sevottam model?
 - 1. Citizen's Charter
 - 2. Grievance Redressal Mechanism
 - 3. Capability Building for Service Delivery Select the correct answer using the code given below.
 - (a) Only one
 - (b) Only two
 - (c) All three
 - (d) None

- **78.** Which of the following is a ground for disqualification of membership of the legislature, under the Representation of the People Act, 1951?
 - (a) Conviction for a crime with a sentence of less than six months.
 - (b) Failure to submit election expenditure accounts within the prescribed time.
 - (c) Holding an advisory position in a nongovernmental organization.
 - (d) Being a member of a local sports association.
- **79.** Consider the following statements with reference to election campaigning of political parties:
 - 1. No political party can use State-owned Television and Radio channels for electoral campaigning.
 - The Prasar Bharati Corporation may organize discussion/debates on the national channel of Doordarshan and All India Radio.
 - 3. The names of moderators for such panel discussion is decided by the Prasar Bharati Corporation

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 80. The Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF) was launched jointly by the USA and other partner countries of the Indo-Pacific region. Which of the following pillars of IPEF was not joined by India?
 - 1. Trade (Pillar I)
 - 2. Supply Chains (Pillar II)
 - 3. Clean Economy (Pillar III)
 - 4. Fair Economy (Pillar IV)

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

- **81.** With reference to the Quality Council of India (QCI), consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Ministry of Commerce and Industry is the nodal ministry for QCI.
 - 2. The President of India appoints the Chairman of QCI.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **82.** Consider the following pairs:

Report Organisation

State of Ocean Report : UNESCO
 World Wildlife Crime : IUCN

Report

3. Water for Shared : World Bank

Prosperity

Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **83.** Consider the following statements:

Statement-I: Any appeal by a candidate to vote on religious lines is a corrupt electoral practice.

Statement-II: The Election Commission of India can cancel elections in case of any corrupt electoral practice.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II explains Statement-I
- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, but Statement-II does not explain Statement-I
- (c) Statement I is correct, but Statement II is incorrect
- (d) Statement I is incorrect, but Statement II is correct

- **84.** Theyyam can best be described as which of the following?
 - (a) A tribal cultural dance form
 - (b) A seasonal festival
 - (c) A type of theatrical play
 - (d) A form of cultural painting
- 85. Recently, the Bharatiya Sakshya Adhiniyam (to replace the Indian Evidence Act, 1872) has come into force on July 1, 2024. In this context, which of the following statements are correct?
 - 1. The Act allows for the examination of witnesses through electronic means.
 - 2. Confessions made to police officers are admissible as evidence under the Act.
 - 3. The Act brought the new concept of Joint trial.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 86. Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) is an apex Indian governmental body to addresses governmental corruption. In this regard, under which of the following acts does the Central Vigilance Commission have the power to conduct an inquiry?
 - 1. Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.
 - Prevention of Money Laundering Act,
 2002
 - 3. Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973
 - 4. Fugitive Economic Offenders Act, 2018

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

87. Consider the following pairs:

Prime Minister Major events

1. Jawaharlal : First No confidence

Nehru motion moved in the

house.

2. Lal Bahadur : Shimla Agreement

Shastri

3. Atal Bihari : First nuclear explosion

Vajpayee

How many of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- With reference to the National Human Rights

 Commission, consider the following statements:
 - The chairperson and members hold office for a term of five years.
 - 2. It is not empowered to inquire into any matter after the expiry of one year.
 - 3. Only a retired Chief Justice of India can serve as the chairperson.

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

- 89. In a landmark judgment in the Prakash Singh case, the Supreme Court directed all states and union territories in September 2006 to implement police reforms. How many of the following guidelines were provided by the Supreme Court in this case?
 - Provisions for a minimum tenure of at least two years for the Director General of Police (DGP)
 - 2. Separate investigating police from law and order police
 - Constitute Police Complaints Authorities at the state and district level
 - 4. Creation of a State-Level Security

 Commission

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- **90.** Consider the following pairs:

Space Missions Associated Nations

1. TRISHNA : France and India

2. PREFIRE : United Kingdom

Mission

3. EarthCARE : United States

Mission

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

- **91.** Consider the following statements regarding the International Criminal Court (ICC):
 - 1. The Rome Statute is the founding treaty of the ICC, was adopted in 1998.
 - 2. India is party to the Rome Statute.
 - 3. ICC's decisions are binding in nature.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- 92. Consider the following statements regarding the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA):
 - It is a statutory body that is responsible for drug pricing and ensuring affordable access to medicines.
 - 2. It fixates and revises the price of Scheduled and Non-scheduled drugs.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 93. The Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam, 2023 reserves one-third of the seats for women in the Lok Sabha and the State Legislative Assemblies, including the Legislative Assembly of Delhi. This reservation was implemented through which Amendment Act of the Indian Constitution?
 - (a) 102nd Amendment Act
 - (b) 104th Amendment Act
 - (c) 106th Amendment Act
 - (d) 108th Amendment Act

- **94.** Consider the following statements regarding the National Testing Agency (NTA):
 - 1. NTA is a government department under the Ministry of Education.
 - Chairman of the NTA is appointed by the Ministry of Education.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **95.** With reference to 'lobbying' in India, consider the following statements:
 - It is a technique used by pressure groups to convince policymakers to enforce decisions in their favour.
 - 2. It is legally recognized in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **96.** Consider the following statements with reference to e-FIR:
 - An e-FIR is a digital version of the traditional FIR that is filed online in the case of an offence committed, whether known or unknown.
 - 2. An e-FIR can only be filed for non-cognizable offences.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- **97.** Consider the following statements:
 - The Commissioners of the Election Commission of India hold office until they attain 65 years of age or for a term of six years.
 - The members of the Union Public Service
 Commission hold office until they attain
 years of age or for a term of six years.
 - 3. The members of the State Public ServiceCommissions hold office until they attain65 years of age or for a term of six years.
 - 4. The members of the Joint Public ServiceCommission hold office until they attain65 years of age or for a term of six years.

How many of the above statements are not correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four
- **98.** Recently, India chaired its first meeting as Chair of the Colombo Process, the initiative is focused on which of the following areas?
 - (a) Enhancing environmental conservation practices among South Asian countries.
 - (b) Promoting regional cooperation on the management of overseas employment and contractual labor for Asian migrant workers.
 - (c) Strengthening military alliances and security cooperation in the Indian Ocean region.
 - (d) Developing sustainable agricultural practices in Southeast Asia.

- 99. With reference to the Punjab Accord that was signed between the then Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi and Harchand Singh Longowal, the then President of Akali Dal in 1985, consider the following statements:
 - 1. Chandigarh to be the common capital of Punjab and Haryana.
 - Appointment of a commission to resolve border disputes between Punjab and Haryana.
 - A tribunal to settle down the sharing of Ravi-Beas river water among Punjab, Haryana, and Himachal Pradesh.

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None
- **100.** Consider the following statements regarding the Chief Information Commissioner (CIC) in India:
 - 1. CIC submits its annual report to the President of India.
 - Salary and allowances of the CIC are charged on the consolidated fund of India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

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