

Q1 Consider the following statements about Man Booker Prize

1. US author George Saunders wins 2017 Man Booker Prize for novel 'Lincoln in the Bardo'.
2. It is a literary prize awarded each year for the best original novel written in the English language and published in the UK
3. After 2016 it can be given to any one belonging to any country.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q2 Consider the following statements about the finance commission.

1. The Union Cabinet approved the setting up of the 15th Finance Commission under Mr. N. K. Singh
2. The Commission will make recommendations for the five year period from 2020 to 2025

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

Q3 What are the functions of finance commission

1. sharing of central taxes with the states
2. principles which govern the distribution of central grants to states
3. measures to improve the financial position of states in order to supplement the resources of panchayats and municipalities

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q4. CCEA approved a new scheme called 'Pradhan Mantri Mahila Shakti Kendra (PMMSK)'. Its objective are:

1. Support to women affected by violence through 'One Stop Centres' to be established in 150 districts.
2. PMMSK is envisaged to work at the national, state, district, and block levels.

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

Q5 Consider the following statements about National Testing Agency (NTA).

1. It is formed to conduct entrance examinations for higher educational institutions.
2. NTA aims to provide standardised examinations and to relieve the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), the All India Council for Technical Education, and other agencies from the responsibility of conducting entrance examinations

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

Q6. Consider the following statements about Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana-Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and Allied Sector Rejuvenation

1. The scheme was launched in 2007-08.50 Under the scheme, financial assistance is provided by the central government to implement agriculture and allied sector schemes
2. 20% of the outlay for sub-schemes such as Crop Diversification Program and Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India
3. 10% of the outlay for innovation and agri-entrepreneur development
4. 70% of the outlay under production growth, infrastructure and assets to states as grants.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q7. Recently government has prohibited certain fishing practices beyond territorial waters in the Indian Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)

1. Fishing by bull or pair trawling (use of two trawlers together to catch more fish) beyond territorial waters.
2. Use of light equipment such as artificial lights, LED lights, and fish light attractors by all fishing vessels

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

Q8. Consider the following statements about Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme

1. Blending ethanol with petrol helps reduce vehicle exhaust emissions and reduces the import burden for petroleum.
2. The EBP Programme was launched in 2003 to promote the use of alternative and environment friendly fuels.

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

Q9. Consider the following statements about BS vi fuel

1. BS VI fuel will be launched on April 1, 2018
2. The content of sulphur reduces from 50 ppm in BS IV fuel to 10 ppm in BS VI fuel for both gasoline and diesel.
3. Barmer refinery will be the country's first greenfield BS-VI refinery and petrochemical project. The project is expected to be commissioned by 2022-2023.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q10. Consider the following statements about Indian Forest Act, 1927.

1. The Act consolidates laws relating to forests, transit of forest-produce, and the duty to be levied on them
2. Under the Act, the definition of tree includes palms, bamboos, stumps, brushwood, and canes.

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

Q11. Consider the following statements about key objectives of NNM include:

1. to reduce stunting, under-nutrition, anaemia, and low birth weight by 2%, 2%, 3% and 2% per annum respectively
2. establishing real time nutrition monitoring systems,
3. incentivising states/union territories for meeting their respective targets
4. introducing measurement of height of children at the anganwadi centres

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q12. Consider the following statements about the Interstate Council

1. Article 263 of the constitution provides for the establishment of an Inter-State Council (ISC).
2. Sarkaria Commission in its report in 1988 recommended that A permanent Inter-State Council called the Inter-Governmental Council (IGC) should be set up under Article 263.

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

Q13. The Union cabinet recently approved the setting up of the 15th Finance Commission (FC) with N.K. Singh as its Chairman. Consider the following statements.

1. Article 280 of the Constitution provides for a FC as a quasi-judicial body
2. Finance commission is constituted by the Prime Minister.

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

Q14. Consider the following statements about the recent development in the state legislature of Sikkim.

1. Home Ministry has proposed an increase in the number of seats in the Sikkim Assembly from 32 to 40.
2. The proposed amendment will accommodate people from the Limboo and Tamang communities by reserving five out of eight increased seats for them.

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

Q15. Governor shall have "special responsibility for peace and for an equitable arrangement for

ensuring the social and economic advancement of different sections of the population in Sikkim under :

- A. 371f
- B. 371g
- C. 371h
- D. 371k

Q16 recently ASEAN celebrated 50th year of their formation. Consider the following statements about Association of South East Asian Nations

1. It is a political and economic organization aimed primarily at promoting economic growth and regional stability among its members.
2. It was founded in 1967 by the five South-East Asian nations of Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.
3. There are currently 10-member states including india

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q17 consider following fact about indo-asean relations

1. 15th ASEAN-India Summit and the 12th East Asia Summit was held in Manila, Philippines in November 2017.
2. The East Asia Summit is a forum held annually by leaders of, initially, 16 countries in the East Asian, Southeast Asian and South Asian regions. The first summit was held in 2005.
3. India signed a FTA in goods in 2009 and an FTA in services and investments in 2014 with ASEAN.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q18. Consider the following statements about International Court of Justice

1. Established in 1945, at Hague as the primary judicial branch of UN.
2. It settles legal disputes submitted to it by states and provides advisory opinions on legal questions submitted to it by duly authorized international branches, agencies, and the UN General Assembly
3. Judges are elected by members of the UN General Assembly and the UNSC

4. Dalveer Bhandari is the fourth Indian judge to be elected to the ICJ after B.N. Rau, Nagendra Singh and R.S. Pathak

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q19 Consider the following statements about changi.

1. Changi naval base located near the disputed South China Sea
2. an agreement between india and singapore will allow Indian Navy ships logistical support, including re-fueling

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

Q20. Consider the following statements about fifth edition of Global Conference on Cyber Space (GCCS).

1. Theme of GCCS 2017 is “Cyber4All: A Secure and Inclusive Cyberspace for Sustainable Development” was held in new delhi in 2017
2. It is also third largest hub for technology start-ups and at present it has various technology based programs such as Aadhaar, MyGov, Government e-Market, DigiLocker, National e-Governance Plan etc
3. Government has been putting in efforts to fight cybercrimes such as National Cyber Security Policy 2013, National Cyber Security Coordination Centre, CERT-fin, CERT-In, Cyber Swachhta Kendra, collaboration with industry partners

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q21. NITI Aayog in partnership with the USA held Global Entrepreneurship Summit 2017 (GES) in Hyderabad. Consider the following statements

1. It is an annual event which is being conducted since 2011
2. It will give Indian entrepreneurs an opportunity to interact and network with

the investors and entrepreneurs from across the globe

3. focusing on supporting women entrepreneurs and fostering economic growth.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q22. Identify Challenges faced by Women Entrepreneurs

1. Access to capital.
2. Lack of mentoring for starting ventures and further expansion.
3. Lack of encouragement and knowledge in the direction of start-ups.
4. Safety issue for women to travel for business purpose.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q23 Consider the following statements about European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD).

1. It is a multilateral developmental investment bank, established in 1991.
2. It works only in countries that are "committed to democratic principles", using investment as a tool to build market economies.
3. India became its member recently

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q24. Consider the following statements about fisheries in India.

1. India became second largest fish producing country in the world.
2. The total fish production has nearly 65% contribution from the inland sector and rest from marine fishing.
3. Sector contributes to 1.1% of the GDP and 5.15% of the agricultural GDP.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only

- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q25. Consider the following statements about the recent steps taken by the government in order to protect the marine ecology

1. Prohibited the use of LED lights and other artificial lights and
2. practice of bull-trawling,
3. purse seining and gill netting operations in the Indian EEZ to protect the marine ecology.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q26 Consider the following statements about Coastal economic zone

1. It is a spatial-economic region which could extend along 300-500 km of coastline and around 200-300 km inland from the coastline. Each CEZ will be an agglomeration of coastal districts within a State
2. India's first mega coastal economic zone (CEZ) at Jawaharlal Nehru Port (JNPT) in Maharashtra.
3. It will be based on China Shenzhen-style Coastal Economic Zone

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q27. Components OF National Perspective Plan (NPP) of the Sagarmala Programme includes:

1. Port Modernization & New Port Development
2. Port Connectivity Enhancement
3. Port-linked Industrialization
4. Coastal Community Development

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q28. Government recently approved the continuation of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) as Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana-Remunerative Approaches for Agriculture and

Allied sector Rejuvenation (RKVY-RAFTAAR) for three years i.e. 2017-18 to 2019-20. Consider the following statements about its objectives

1. To make farming a remunerative economic activity through strengthening the farmer's effort, mitigating risk and promoting agribusiness entrepreneurship
2. It was launched in 2007 on the recommendation of the National Development Council. To achieve 4% annual growth in agriculture sector

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

Q29. RKVY-RAFTAAR sub-schemes are:

1. Bringing Green Revolution to Eastern India (BGREI).
2. Crop Diversification Program (CDP).
3. Reclamation of Problem Soil (RPS).
4. Foot & Mouth Disease – Control Program (FMD-CP).
5. Saffron Mission.
6. Accelerated Fodder Development Programme (AFDP).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 4 and 5 only
- B. 1, 2, 3 and 5 only
- C. 1, 2, 4 and 5 only
- D. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Q30. Consider the following statements about Geographical Indications

1. GI is covered as element of intellectual property rights (IPRs) under Paris Convention for Protection of Industrial Property.
2. It is used for agricultural, natural and manufactured goods having special quality and established reputation.
3. The registration of a GI is valid for 10 years after which it needs to be renewed.
4. GIs support local production and are an important economic tool for the uplift of rural and tribal communities.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q31 Which of the following one has not got GI tag?

- A. Kangra Painting
- B. Bangla Rosogulla

- C. Chakshesang Shawl
- D. Dashahari Mango

Q32 Consider the following statements about Island Development agency (IDA)

1. IDA was constituted for the holistic development of islands. It is chaired by Union Home minister
2. The IDA had identified 10 islands for development which include 5 islands in A&N Islands (i.e. Smith, Ross, Long, Avis and Little Andaman) and 5 in Lakshadweep (i.e. Minicoy, Bangaram, Thinnakara, Cheriyam, Suheli).
3. Andaman and Nicobar Islands comprise 572 islands and called 'India's Gateway to the East'

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q33 Which of the following is a bilateral exercise between the Indian and Bangladesh Armies?

- A. INDRA
- B. LIMATAYE
- C. SAMPRITI
- D. MAITRI

Q34. India's first indigenous Long Range Sub-Sonic Cruise Missile is

- A. BRAHMOS
- B. ARIHANT
- C. NIRBHAY
- D. RUSTOM

Q35 Consider the following statements about Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI)

1. The report ranks 56 countries and the European Union, which together are responsible for 90% of global greenhouse gas emissions.
2. India has been ranked 14th in Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) on account for reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and adopting more clean sources of energy

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

Q36 Consider the following statements.

1. Over the last 10 years, India's SO₂ emissions have spiked by 50% and it could

become the world's largest emitter of the toxic air pollutant

2. India has been releasing the harmful pollutant by burning coal – which contains about 3% of sulphur – to generate electricity.
3. Major sources of are Burning fuels – coal, oil and gases containing sulphur – and by smelting metals like copper, zinc, lead & nickel and motor vehicle emissions.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q37 Consider the following fact about UN Environment's Emissions Gap report

1. It is prepared by United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
2. It focuses on the "gap" between the emissions reductions necessary to achieve the agreed targets at lowest cost and the likely emission reductions from full implementation of the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs),

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

Q38 India is becoming a dumping ground of pet-coke from the US, which has banned its internal use because of pollution. Sulphur-heavy petcoke and other polluting fuels such as furnace oil are widely used by cement factories, dyeing units, paper mills, brick kilns and ceramics businesses.

Consider the following statements about pet coke

1. Petroleum coke or pet coke, is a solid carbon rich (90% carbon and 3% to 6% sulfur) material derived from oil refining.
2. It is a dirtier alternative to coal and emits 11% more greenhouse gases than coal.
3. India is the world's biggest consumer of petroleum coke

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q39 Consider the following statements about COP 23.

1. 23rd meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP-23) of the United Nations

Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) concluded in Bonn, Germany

2. Powering Past Coal alliance initiated by the UK and Canada. 15 countries have joined an alliance to phase out coal-based power by 2030.

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

Q40 13th International Permaculture Convergence (IPC) was held in Hyderabad. WHAT IS PERMACULTURE

1. permaculture uses polyculture where a diverse range of vegetation and animals are utilised to support each other to create a self-sustaining systems
2. It incorporates traditional farming practices with modern technological and scientific knowledge to create efficient systems
3. It incorporates traditional farming practices with modern technological and scientific knowledge to create efficient systems
4. It discourages uses of chemical and pesticide and promotes the uses of eco-friendly means to maintain soil health and increase productivity.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q41. Consider the following statements about Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)

1. It occurs when microorganisms such as bacteria, viruses, fungi and parasites change in ways that render the medications used to cure the infections and causing them ineffective.
2. Microorganisms that become resistant to most antimicrobials are often referred to as "superbugs".
3. It occurs naturally but is also facilitated by the inappropriate use of medicines
4. India is the highest consumer of antibiotics, followed by China and the United States

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q42 Consider the following statements about the Indian Solar mission

1. India is set to launch its first solar mission Aditya-L1 in 2019.
2. Aditya L1 is to be the first satellite to study the magnetic field of the sun's corona.

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

Q42 World Economic Forum released the Global Gender Gap Report

1. The report was introduced by the World Economic Forum in 2006
2. India has slipped 21 ranks to 108 behind Bangladesh (47) and China (100) in 2017
3. main reason behind slipping of India's ranking is its laggard performance on political participation and empowerment pillar.
4. Workplace gender gap is evident due to low participation of women as well as low wages to women as compared to men

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q43. Consider the following statements about findings related to INDIA STATE LEVEL DISEASE BURDEN REPORT

1. India State Level Disease Burden Report was prepared by Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) along with Public Health Foundation of India and Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME).
2. Disability-adjusted life years (DALYs) is Years of healthy life lost to premature death and suffering. It is composed two components: Years of Life Lost (YLL) and Years of life lived with disability (YLD).

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

Q44. Consider the following statements about India Youth Development Index, 2017

1. The Index has been constructed by the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD) with an objective of

tracking the trends in Youth Development across the States.

2. Youth' refers to a stage of life in transition between adolescence and adulthood in the age bracket of 15 to 29 years.
3. Global Youth Index is developed by the Commonwealth Secretariat
4. The various dimensions on which the YDI 2017 has been formed are Education , Health ,Political Participants , Civic Participation Work ,Social Inclusion

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 2 and 3 only
- B. 1, 3 and 4 only
- C. 1, 2 and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q45 Consider the following statements about population of india

1. India has 65% of the population less than the age of 35 years and 50% below 25 years of age
2. The National YDI value is 0.569 with wide range of variations between states e.g. Bihar (0.466) and Himachal Pradesh (0.689).
3. Adopting programmes and policies that have youth at their focus and promote progressive youth development in order to achieve SDG8.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q46 Global Education Monitoring Report (GEM Report, 2017-18) with the theme 'Accountability in Education' was recently released by

- A. UNESCO
- B. WEF
- C. WB
- D. UNDP

Q47 Consider the following statements about TB

1. Moscow Declaration related to ending Tuberculosis in the Sustainable Development Era
2. TB is world's leading cause of death from infectious disease.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q48. Elephantiasis leads to severe swelling in arms, legs, knees and genitals causes disfigurement and disability. Consider following fact about this

1. It is a parasitic disease caused by the parasitic worms called filial worms which is spread by the bite of the infected black flies and mosquitoes.
2. Mass Drug Administration (MDA) is being carried on as a part of the Hathipaon Mukht Bharat (Filaria Free India) programme for preventive medication
3. India had set the ambitious target to eradicate the disease by 2020

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q49 Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple in Srirangam in Tamil Nadu has won the UNESCO Asia Pacific Award of Merit 2017 for cultural heritage conservation. Consider the following statements.

1. It is a Vaishnava temple built in the Tamil or Dravidian style of architecture
2. The Gopuram of Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple is the biggest gopuram in Asia.
3. award is aimed at acknowledging the efforts taken to restore and conserve historical structures without affecting their heritage value.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q50 Which one of the following city is not listed in UNESCO Creative Cities list?

- A. Chennai .
- B. Jaipur
- C. Varanasi.
- D. Calcutta

Q51 Due to multiple layers of planning, administration and resource allocation to tackle deprivations, the efforts are often dispersed in time and space, leading to suboptimal results. Consider the following statements about MISSION ANTYODAYA

1. It is based on convergence, accountability and measurable outcomes to ensure that the resources are effectively spent in providing 'sustainable livelihoods for every deprived household'.

2. thrust on raising income of deprived household
3. based on saturation approach region and need specific

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q52 Registration and recognition of political parties in India is done under

- A. Representation of People's Act, 1951
- B. Representation of People's Act, 1950
- C. Election Symbols (Reservation and Allotment) Order, 1968
- D. Article 324

Q53 Which is first state in India to operationalise a social audit law-

- A. Meghalaya
- B. Sikkim
- C. Goa
- D. Punjab

Q54 As per the 'World Migration Report (2018)', published by the International Organisation for Migration

1. the Indian diaspora constitutes 6% of the total number of international migrants .
2. india's maximum diaspora is in UAE
3. International Organization for Migration (IOM) a related organization to UN was established in 1951 & is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q55 Consider the following statements about Wassenaar Arrangement and MTCR?

1. It is a multilateral export control regime (MECR) to promote transparency and greater responsibility in transfers of Conventional Arms and Dual-Use Goods and Technologies.
2. It has 42 members with India being the newest entrant
3. Missile Technology Control Regime: It is a voluntary partnership among 35 countries to prevent the proliferation of missile and unmanned aerial vehicle technology

capable of carrying above 500 kg payload for more than 300 km.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q56 India has been re-elected to the Council of the International Maritime Organization (IMO). Consider the Following

1. IMO is a specialised United Nations agency which is committed towards safe, secure and efficient shipping on clean ocean
2. It is headquartered in London, United Kingdom
3. India Ratified SOLAS Convention for safety of merchant ships

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q57. Consider the following statements about ISA.

1. International Solar Alliance (ISA) has become a treaty-based intergovernmental organization on 6th Dec, which was marked as Universal Energy Access Day.
2. It is first specialised intergovernmental body on solar energy expected to drive R&D on solar energy
3. It is the first international organisation to be permanently headquartered in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q58 Maldives has signed its first ever Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with

- A. China
- B. India
- C. Usa
- D. Uk

Q59 Consider the following statements about The Eleventh Ministerial Conference (MC11) of WTO.

1. It took place in December 2017 in Buenos Aires, Argentina.
2. The out come was securing a deal on fisheries subsidies for prohibiting subsidies for illegal, unreported and unregulated (IUU) fishing.

3. There was no outcome on public stockholding for food security purposes or on other agriculture issues.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q60 Consider the following statements about Foreign trade policy 2015

1. doubling the export (both Merchandise and Service) to \$900 million and achieve 3.5% share of world export by 2019-20.
2. Export incentives under MEIS have been increased by 2 percent for labour intensive MSME sectors.

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

Q61 Government had stressed the need of halving the urea fertilizer consumption by 2022. Consider the following statements about fertilizer

1. India is second largest consumer of urea fertilizers after China
2. introduction of DBT in fertilizer industry
3. It is one of the eight core industries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A. 1 and 3 only
- B. 2 and 3 only
- C. 1 and 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

Q62 Government has stressed the need to adopt 'Methanol' as an alternate to fossil fuel and bedrock for energy security. Consider the following statements about methanol.

1. The gaseous version of Methanol – DME (Dimethyl ether) can be blended with LPG.
2. India imports 99% of its methanol from Iran and Saudi Arabia where methanol is produced from easy and cheaply available natural gas.
3. Efforts have been initiated towards Policy which calls for 15% blending of methanol in petrol
4. Coal India Limited (CIL) has unveiled its plan to set up a coal based methanol plant in West Bengal.
5. Methanol produces no particulate matter, no soot, almost nil SOX and NOX emissions

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A. 1, 4 and 5 only
 B. 1, 2, 3 and 5 only
 C. 1, 2, 4 and 5 only
 D. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

Q63 Consider the following statements about Sustainable Rooftop Implementation for Solar Transfiguration of India (SRISTI)'.
 1. Government has set a target of reaching 100 GW of solar power installed capacity in the country by 2022, of which 40 GW is targeted through solar rooftop.
 2. Ministry of New and renewable energy is implementing Grid Connected Rooftop Solar (RTS) Power Programme.

- 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

64. Consider the following statements related to the Samkhya Philosophy:

1. The Samkhya is the oldest of all systems of philosophy.
 2. The Samkhya system believes that the evolution of universe is not due to God but due to the inherent nature of the Prakriti (matter).
 3. It is from Prakriti that all things develop.
 4. It believes that the Purusa (Soul) is dependent on Prakriti and not vice versa.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

65. Which of the following is true regarding the Sangam literature?

1. The Sangam literature was collected and classified at the three successive assemblies, the Sangams which were held in the town of Madurai, the Chera's capital from AD 100-250.
 2. The works of the last Sangam has only survived.
 3. The knowledge of three South Indian kingdoms, the Cheras, the Cholas and the Pandyas is based on Sangam literature.

Codes:

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

66. Which of the following statements is/are incorrect regarding Indian Music?

1. The Hindustani and the Carnatic music has distinct boundary over Indian region states without any overlap.
 2. The Rig-veda, the Yajur veda and Natya Shastra of Bharata are important landmark in the history of Indian music.
 3. Hindustan and Carnatic music are pure form of Indian music system. Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
 (a) 1 and 2 (b) 2 and 3 (c) 1 and 3 (d) All

67. Match the following:

- (Organisation) (Person associated)
 A. Arya Samaj 1. Debendranath Tagore
 B. Prarthana Samaj 2. Chandra Sen
 C. Brahmo Samaj of India 3. Dr. Atmaram Pandurang
 D. Tattvabodhini Sabha 4. Swami Dayanand Saraswati

Select the correct answer from the codes given below

- (a) A-1, B-2, C-3, D-4
 (b) A-4, B-3, C-2, D-1
 (c) A-4, B-2, C-1, D-3
 (d) A-4, B-1, C-2, D-3

68. What is meant by 'Imperial Preferences'?

- (a) These were the seats reserved in government jobs only for English people.
 (b) These were the special privileges given to imports from Britain.
 (c) These were the preferences given first to white people in all public places.
 (d) These were the privileges given to English students in school.

69. Which of the following was not an objective of the Indian National Congress when it was founded?

- (a) Attainment of complete independence from the British.
 (b) Promotion of cordial relations among the nationalist workers from different parts of the country.
 (c) Development and consolidation of the feeling of national unity.
 (d) Formulation of the popular demands and their presentation before the British government.

70. Which of the following statements is/are true about the Urban Heat Island?

1. In the Urban Heat Island the temperature contrast with the surrounding is higher during night as compared to the day.
 2. Regular blowing of wind will increase the effect of urban heat island.

3. Concrete and asphalt used in construction activities support the formation of urban heat island.
4. It increases the occurrence of heat waves in summer.

Codes:

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

71. According to the Indian Constitution the Census is mentioned in which of the following list?

- (a) Union list
(b) State list
(c) Residuary list
(d) Concurrent list

72. Waterfalls and rapids landforms are formed in which of the stage?

- (a) Forms in mature stage.
(b) Forms in youth stage and disappear in mature stage.
(c) Forms in mature stage and disappear in old stage.
(d) None of the above.

73. Which of the following statements is/are true regarding Convectional Current Theory?

1. The forces responsible for formation of continents are generated due to the radioactive elements causing thermal differences in the core portion.
2. The convectional currents are present in the entire mantle and core portion.

Codes:

- (a) Only 1
(b) Only 2
(c) Both
(d) None

74. Which of the following statement is/are true about the ocean currents?

1. Pressure gradient, temperature and salinity differences lead to formation of Ocean currents.
2. Ocean currents help in navigation and influence the weather of the region.
3. Unlike winds they are not influenced by coriolis force.

Codes:

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

75. "Climate is continental type with extreme temperatures, annual rainfall is moderate, ideal for growth of grass and the people have successfully harnessed technology to utilize

their rich natural resources." The above statement best describes which of the following regions?

- (a) African Savannah
(b) Central Asian Steppe
(c) North American Prairie
(d) Siberian Tundra

76. Consider the following statements related to the sources of renewable energy in India:

1. Ocean Thermal Energy Conversion plant - proposed at Gulf of Cambay.
2. Tidal energy plant - at Gulf of Kachchh.
3. Geo-thermal energy plant - at Manikaran in J&K.

Which of the above pairs are incorrectly matched?

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

77. Consider the following statements about Press Council of India:

1. The Council's actions cannot be questioned in any court of law.
2. The Chairman of council should be the Chief justice of High Court.
3. A complaint against a newspaper for any information which is objectionable and affecting anyone personally can be directly moved to the Press Council of India.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

78. Consider the following statements related to the Public Interest Litigation:

1. Public Interest Litigation is an explicit provision of the constitution which the Supreme Court adheres to.
2. A letter written to the Supreme Court can be admitted as a petition.
3. It allows any individual or organisation to file a PIL in the High Court or the Supreme Court on behalf of those whose rights are being violated.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

79. Which of the following is/are true about Proportional Representation System?

1. Under this candidate is declared winner who secures the largest number of postal ballots.
2. In India only President Election and

Rajya Sabha election has the Proportional Representation System.

3. By-elections are not possible in Proportional Representation System.

Codes:

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

80. Which of the following statements is/are true about the Gram Sabha?

1. All people living in a village or a group of villages are members of the Gram Sabha.
2. All the plans for work of Gram Panchayat have to be approved by Gram Sabha.
3. For better implementation of some specific tasks, Gram Sabha form committees.
4. The elected Secretary of the Gram Sabha calls the meeting and keeps a record of the proceedings.

Codes:

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

81. With reference to a political party 'recognised' by the Election Commission of India, consider the following statements:

1. It gets a unique symbol to contest elections.
2. To get recognized as a state party, a party has to secure at least four percent of votes and win at least two seats in Legislative Assembly of a given state.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only 1 (b) Only 2
- (c) Both (d) None

82. Consider the following statements regarding a Constitutional Amendment Bill:

1. If the Constitutional Amendment Bill is not passed by one of the houses of the parliament, the bill will be lapsed.
2. Constitutional Amendment cannot be introduced by private member.

Which of the above statement(s) is/ are true?

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both
- (d) None

83. Among the following, which is/are the effects of globalization on the Indian industry?

1. Greater competition in product market.
2. Increment in job opportunities for unskilled labours.

Select the correct answer from below given options:

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both
- (d) None

84. Consider the following statements with respect to national income:

1. National income measures the flow of goods and services in an economy.
 2. National income measures the productive power of an economy in a given period to convert commodities for final consumption.
 3. National income measures the stock of commodities held by the nationals of a country at a given point of time.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

85. What were the objectives of the Import Substitution Strategy adopted by the government?

1. To discourage the imports of those goods that could be produced domestically.
2. To protect domestic industries from outward competition.
3. To provide financial encouragements to the domestic producers to produce the import substituted goods.

Codes:

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

86. According to the Monetary policy in India, arrange the following policy rates in increasing order:

1. Repo Rate
2. Reverse Repo Rate
3. Marginal Standing Facility rate (MSF rate)

Codes:

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

87. Which of the following statements is/are true about Money?

1. Double coincidence of wants is a prerequisite for usage of money.
2. Current account deposits held by the

public in commercial banks comes under concept of money.

3. Currency and money are the same thing.

Codes:

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

88. Currencies are said to be at purchasing power parity when:

- (a) Real exchange rate is equal to one.
- (b) Nominal exchange rate is equal to one.
- (c) Real exchange rate is equal to zero.
- (d) Nominal exchange rate is equal to zero.

89. Which of the following statements is/are true about trophic levels in an ecosystem?

- 1. The energy always flow from higher to lower trophic levels.
- 2. In an ecosystem there is always a high chance of having larger number of trophic levels for better movement of nutrients.
- 3. Food webs are more stable than a food chain in an ecosystem.

Codes:

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

90. Which of the following statements is/are true about Mangroves?

- 1. These are generally found in tropical and sub-tropical sheltered coastlines.
- 2. These trees have high resistance to salinity stress and water logging.
- 3. Mangroves helps in increasing the fertility of the coastal soil by blocking salinity ingress.

Codes:

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

91. Which of the following statements is/are true about Ecological Succession?

- 1. It is the process of change in the species structure of an ecological community over time.
- 2. In this climax community is succeeded by the pioneer community.
- 3. It is characterized by increased niche development and complexity of food webs.

Codes:

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

92. Which of the following correctly explain the term 'seres(s)'?

- (a) The natural habitat of a mammal.
- (b) The sequence of changing community.
- (c) The functional role of a species.
- (d) The place of a species in a food chain.

93. Montreal Protocol has been signed in September 1987 claims at the control of:

- (a) Use of ozone-depleting substances.
- (b) Use of greenhouse gases.
- (c) Use of chemical pesticides.
- (d) Use of halogens only as they deplete ozone.

94. Stubble burning is the deliberate setting fire of the straw stubble that remains after wheat and other grains have been harvested.

Consider the following statements related to the Stubble burning:

- 1. It helps in clearing kills weeds.
- 2. It kills slugs and other pests.
- 3. It damages electrical and electronic equipment from floating threads of conducting waste.
- 4. It fertilizes the soil and increases carbon capture in the soil.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

95. Which of the following statements is/are true regarding Kigali agreement?

- 1. It aims to phase out Chloro fluorocarbons (CFC) by the late 2040s.
- 2. It is non-binding agreement similar to Paris agreement.
- 3. It has provisions for penalties for noncompliance.
- 4. Under it developed countries will provide funding support globally.

Codes:

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

96. Which of the following can be the example of bioremediation?

- (a) Use of the microbes to clean up the groundwater.
- (b) Protecting the species from extinction.
- (c) Improving the soil moisture of an area.
- (d) Genetic disorder of some of the species.

97. Consider the following statements related to the recent initiatives launched by the government for the growth of Science and Technology:

1. IMPRINT: a roadmap for research to solve the major engineering and technology challenges relevant to India.
2. KIRAN: aimed at tapping the talent pool of scientists and entrepreneurs, internationally to encourage their engagement with the institutes of Higher Education in India.
3. GIAN: to address issues related with women scientists and aimed to provide opportunities in research, technology development, etc.

Codes:

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

98. Which of the following statement correctly defines the term Metadata?

- (a) It is the collection, management, transfer, integration and publication of data.
- (b) It is the non sharable data declared by the departments / organizations.
- (c) It is the information that describes the data source and the time, place, and conditions under which the data were created.
- (d) It is the data which are accessible only through a prescribed process of registration and authorization by respective departments.

99. Recently ISRO carried out successful testing of scramjet engine from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre. Which of the following statements is/are true about Scramjet Engine used in space rockets?

1. It is a special category of ramjet air breathing jet engine in which combustion takes place in supersonic airflow.
2. It uses Hydrogen as fuel and the Oxygen from the atmospheric air as the oxidiser.

Codes:

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both
- (d) None

100. Which of the following is/are the significance of Reusable Launch Vehicle Technology Demonstrator?

1. It will decrease the cost of creating new launch vehicle in each space mission.
2. It will help in reducing the space debris placed in the sunsynchronous

orbit.

Codes:

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both
- (d) None

101. Which of the following statements is/are correct about Aquaponics technology used in hitech agriculture?

1. In aquaponics fish and plants are grown alternatively to control the soil degradation.
2. The need of fertilizers is less than the normal as excretions from the animals accumulate in the water.

Codes:

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both
- (d) None

102. Which of the following statements is/are true about HIMANSH?

1. It is a high altitude research station in Himalayan region of Sipti of Himachal Pradesh.
2. It has been established by the Department of Science and Technology.
3. Its purpose is to monitor the growing number of invasive species in the Himalayan region.

Codes:

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