Test 4: Days (16-20)  

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TEST BOOKLET  
GENERAL STUDIES  
Paper---1  

Time Allowed : Two Hours  
Maximum Marks : 200  

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1. Consider the following statements:

1. She became the first female teacher in India in 1848
2. opened a clinic in 1897 for victims of the bubonic plague that spread across Maharashtra
3. In her honour, University of Pune was renamed in 2014

Above statements refer to
(a) Saint Sakhubai
(b) Soyarabai Bhonsle
(c) Janabai
(d) None of the above

2. The Constituent Assembly adopted the Constitution on January 26, 1950. Why?
(a) The date coincided with Gandhiji’s arrival in India from South Africa
(b) The date coincided with the anniversary of ‘Purna Swaraj Diwas’
(c) The date coincided with date of first Indian National Congress session
(d) None of the above

3. Consider the following colour settings presently being used by the Survey of India for classification of land uses in India:

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<td>2. Red</td>
<td>B. Settlements</td>
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<tr>
<td>3. Brown</td>
<td>C. Cultivated Area</td>
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<td>4. Black</td>
<td>D. Road Transportation Network</td>
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What is the correct match for the above?
(a) 1C, 2B, 3A, 4D
(b) 1A, 2C, 3D, 4B
(c) 1B, 2A, 3D, 4A
(d) 1A, 2B, 3C, 4D

4. There have been many concerns regarding Article 310 and Article 311 and even recommendations for their deletion from the Constitution. These constitutional articles deal with
(a) Civil Services
(b) Ordinance making power of executive
(c) Legislative Council in States
(d) Special privileges extended to certain states

5. During the reorganization of Indian states, it was separated from Madras and organized into a separate union territory for administrative purposes. It is also known as the coral group of islands of India:
(a) Minicoy
(b) Lakshadweep
(c) Andaman
(d) Nicobar

6. The Second Administrative Reforms Commission (SARC) describes which of these as “the master key to good governance”? 
(a) Building social capital
(b) Establishing e-governance
(c) Inculcating ethics in Governance
(d) Right to information (RTI)

7. Consider the following about important Buddhist Heritage sites that are under consideration for UNESCO World Heritage Site list.

1. Nagarjunakonda is known for hosting master pieces of Ikshvaku art and architecture in the form of well sculptured ayaka-slabs and Buddhist art.
2. Bojjannakonda is a unique Buddhist site which has exclusively preserved Theravada Buddhism in its purest form.
Which of the above is/are correct?

(a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) None

8. The national income of a nation is best defined as the
   (a) Annual revenue of the government
   (b) Total earnings from abroad including exports
   (c) Surplus generated by public sector enterprises
   (d) Sum total of factor incomes

9. Project Brahma Initiative is a community driven initiative towards
   (a) Finding Universal truth
   (b) Building rural communities in North-eastern India
   (c) Building India’s biodiversity knowledge base
   (d) Sourcing detailed street maps for crowded urban areas

10. Vikramasenavijaya is a famous work on
    (a) The conquests of Emperor Vikramaditya in Patliputra
    (b) Poetry written during the reign of Rashtrakutas
    (c) A collection of strategic military doctrines of Northern Indian empires
    (d) Folklore praising deeds of courage and wisdom in the times of pandyas

11. The Joint Lender’s Forum (JLF), recently seen in news, was conceived to tackle
    (a) Stressed assets
    (b) Disaster management funding
    (c) Sovereign debt
    (d) International taxation disputes

12. Consider the following statements about literary sources in Ancient India.
    1. The accounts of Ratnavali and Nagananda provide useful information about the kingdom of Harsha.
    2. Jatakas provide information about the Mauryas.
    3. The Sangam Tamil literature mentions about the Mauryan invasion of the far south.

Select the correct answer using the codes below
   (a) 1 Only
   (b) 3 Only
   (c) 1 and 2 only
   (d) 1, 2 and 3

13. The constitution of India empowers which of these authorities to modify the list of notified scheduled castes as first notified by the President of India?
    (a) Parliament
    (b) National Commission for SCs
    (c) Chairman, National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)
    (d) Cabinet Secretary

14. Cold seep ecosystems are found where
    1. White water corals are found in abundance in the vicinity of a rich phytoplankton population
    2. Sulphur and methane emerge from seafloor sediments without an appreciable temperature rise

Which of the above is/are correct?
   (a) 1 Only
   (b) 2 Only
   (c) Both 1 and 2
   (d) None
15. A positive GDP deflator implies that
   1. Economy must be experiencing acceleration of growth year on year
   2. Economy must be experiencing inflation

Which of the above is/are correct?
(a) American economist
(b) Irish parliamentarian and philosopher
(c) American political philosopher
(d) None of the above

16. The Korea Plus initiative recently in news intends to
   (a) Ward off threats of nuclear attacks from North Korea
   (b) Attract South Korean investments in India
   (c) Tackle maritime expansionism in the South China Sea
   (d) Include South Korea as a part of the Regional Comprehensive Economic Cooperation (RCEP) agreement with ASEAN nations

17. GRAPES-3 experiment located at Ooty in India is designed to
   1. Study Cosmic rays
   2. Detect solar storms
   3. Astronomy of gamma rays from neutron stars

Select the correct answer using the codes below.
(a) 2 only
(b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3

18. The e-Pragati project of this state is considered a model in e-governance for executing a state-wide enterprise architecture, and has received an award recently in the National Conference on E-Governance. The state is?
   (a) Kerala
   (b) Maharashtra
   (c) Gujarat
   (d) Andhra Pradesh

19. Why the Indian policymakers want African countries to relax their commitment to the Pelindaba Treaty?
   (a) To source nuclear fuel more easily
   (b) To evacuate refugees from war prone zones with minimal intervention
   (c) To bring foreign direct investment in sensitive zones
   (d) To increase official development assistance without the need for legislative approval

20. Consider the following with regard to the relationship between the President, Prime Minister and the Council of Ministers.
   1. In normal circumstances, the advice of the council of Ministers is constitutionally binding on the President
   2. The nature of advice tendered by ministers to the President can be enquired by higher court to ascertain malpractices in administration.
   3. The council of ministers ceases to hold office immediately after the dissolution of the Lok Sabha by the President.

Select the correct answer using the codes below.
(a) 1 and 2 only
(b) 1 only
(c) 2 and 3 only
(d) 1 and 3 only
21. With reference to Preamble to the Indian Constitution, consider the following statements:

1. The preamble is based on the Objectives which was drafted and moved in the Constituent Assembly by Jawaharlal Nehru on 13 December 1946
2. As per Supreme Court judgement (Beru Bari case), the preamble is not an integral part of the Indian constitution

Which of the above statements is/are correct?
(a) 1 Only
(b) 2 Only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

22. Which of the following words *doesn’t* figure in the Preamble to Indian Constitution?

1. Faith
2. Worship
3. Status
4. Opportunity
5. Political

Select the correct answer using codes below
(a) 3 Only
(b) 3 and 4 Only
(c) 3, 4 and 5 Only
(d) All the words figure in Preamble

23. With reference to Solar Mamas, consider the following statements:

1. They are group of African women trained by UNDP to fabricate, install, use, repair and maintain solar lanterns and household solar lighting systems in their villages
2. Solar Mamas are trained in India

24. With reference to H1B visa, consider the following statements

1. It is a non-immigrant visa in the United States that allows companies to employ foreigners
2. H1B visa holders are not allowed to apply for permanent residency in the US as well as buy or sell property in the country

Which of the above statements is/are correct?
(a) 1 Only
(b) 2 Only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

25. Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport Project (KMTT) is a multi-modal transport project involving shipping, Inland Water and road transport stretches. When materialized, it will lower the distance of movement from

(a) Kolkata to Dubai
(b) Kolkata to Singapore
(c) Kolkata to Mizoram
(d) Sittwe and Singapore

26. India had signed a deal with the United Arab Emirates that allows the Gulf OPEC country to fill half of an underground crude oil storage facility in India. Where is this facility located?

1. Mangalore
2. Vishakapatnam
3. Padur
4. Vadodara
5. Jamnagar
Select the correct answer using codes below:

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

30. Which of the following countries is not a member of the Indian Ocean Rim Association for Regional Cooperation (IOR-ARC)?
   (a) South Africa
   (b) Kenya
   (c) Ethiopia
   (d) Somalia

31. India is not a member of which of the following groups?
   1. Australia Group
   2. Wassenaar Arrangement
   3. ASEAN

   Select the correct answer using codes below:
   (a) 1 Only
   (b) 1 and 2 Only
   (c) 1, 2 and 3
   (d) India is member of all three groups

32. With reference to Sariska Tiger Reserve, consider the following statements:
   1. It is part of the Aravalli Range
   2. It is rich in mineral resources, such as copper
   3. It is known for Bengal tigers

   Which of the above statements is/are correct?
   (a) 1 and 2 Only
   (b) 1 and 3 Only
   (c) 2 and 3 only
   (d) 1, 2 and 3

33. Which of the following statements is/are correct with reference to Western Ghats and Eastern Ghats?
   1. The Eastern Ghats are older than the Western Ghats
   2. Western Ghats are continuous whereas Eastern Ghats are discontinuous and broken at several places.
   3. Western Ghats are at a higher average elevation than Eastern Ghats
Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

34. It is a soil bacterium that works as a natural genetic engineer and causes tumour in plants. It is?

(a) Streptococcus
(b) Proteobacteria
(c) Agrobacterium tumefaciens
(d) Pseudomonas

35. A spot market is a

(a) Public financial market where delivery of financial instruments or commodities are due at a later date
(b) A market for financial instruments such as commodities and securities which are traded immediately
(c) Place where futures are traded without supervision of regulators
(d) None of the above

36. Bioremediation refers to

(a) Using biological organisms to solve an environmental problem
(b) Using biological organisms to change genetic behaviour in target organisms to treat diseases
(c) Using bacteria to improve agricultural productivity
(d) None of the above

37. The Archaeological Ruins of the location comprise the first great urban centre of the Indus civilization with burnt brick structures. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It is?

(a) Burzahom
(b) Inamgaon
(c) Lothal
(d) None of the above

38. In India, rocks of which of the following regions was formed the earliest?

(a) Khasi hills
(b) Lower Shiwaliks
(c) Indo-Gangetic plain
(d) Deccan Traps

39. Denmark Strait separates

(a) Denmark and Belgium
(b) Iceland and Greenland
(c) Denmark and Sweden
(d) Denmark and Norway

40. Which of the following is/are local winds?

1. Easterlies ad Westerlies
2. Sirocco
3. Monsoon winds
4. Sea Breeze
5. Chinook

Select the correct answer using codes below:

(a) 1, 2 and 5 Only
(b) 2 and 5 Only
(c) 1, 2, 4 and 5 Only
(d) 2, 4 and 5 Only

41. The term ‘State’, when used in the context of India, refers most appropriately to which of the following?

(a) Government of India at all federal levels
(b) Territory of India including Union territories and other occupied areas
(c) The Political institution that represents sovereign people of India occupying a definite territory
(d) Any institution that ultimately works towards public welfare
42. In the production of silk, silkworm cocoons are boiled to kill the silkworms. Why the silkworms are not allowed to survive?
   (a) If silkworms survive, no silk can be produced.
   (b) The enzymes secreted by animal reduce the length of silk fibres.
   (c) The natural colour of silk fibre cannot be retained if worms are allowed to survive.
   (d) They make the silk toxic in nature.

43. Consider the following about the Organization for Islamic Cooperation (OIC).
   1. All West Asian states, except Iran, hold the membership of OIC.
   2. India has been blocked by OIC on the “Kashmir Issue”.
Which of the above is/are correct?
   (a) 1 Only
   (b) 2 Only
   (c) Both 1 and 2
   (d) Neither 1 nor 2

44. Major Mineral oil reserves are found in which of the following countries?
   1. Venezuela
   2. Argentina
   3. Russia
   4. Qatar
Select the correct answer using the codes below.
   (a) 1 and 2 only
   (b) 3 and 4 only
   (c) 1, 2 and 3 only
   (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

45. Which of the following will be the first expressway between India and China?
   (a) Xinjiang Economic Corridor
   (b) Kaladan Multimodal transport project
   (c) India Trilateral Highway
   (d) BCIM Economic Corridor

46. Which of the following will reduce Global Warming in the short-term?
   (a) Increased rice cultivation
   (b) Greater promotion of cattle breeding in developing countries
   (c) Melting of permafrost in the Arctic region
   (d) Major and sustained volcanic explosions

47. “Global Financial Development Report” is published by
   (a) International Monetary Fund
   (b) World Economic Forum
   (c) United Nations Economic and Social Council (UNECOSOC)
   (d) World Bank

48. Which of these do not form part of a marine ecosystem?
   (a) Ocean minerals which is an abiotic element
   (b) Coral reefs which are biotic elements
   (c) Energy flow within the trophic levels which is an abiotic element
   (d) All the above biotic and abiotic elements form part of the marine ecosystem.

49. Anthropogenic sources of Mercury emission include
   1. Coal-fired power plants
   2. Mines engaged in gold production
   3. Cement production
   4. Manufacture of batteries
Select the correct answer using the codes below.
   (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
   (b) 2 and 4 only
   (c) 1 only
   (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
50. The End of Train Telemetry (EoTT) system to be introduced by Indian Railways will be instrumental in
(a) Increasing night and fog visibility of trains
(b) Ensuring automation of communication between driver and wagons within the train
(c) Developing an anti-collision system for train wagons
(d) Providing seamless internet connectivity to all passengers

51. The government has released a revised Index of industrial production (IIP) recently. The revision has been made on which of these lines?
(a) Base year has been revised to 2011-12.
(b) It will now include technology items like smart phones and tablets.
(c) Small and Medium enterprises (SMEs) that were excluded earlier have been included now.
(d) Both (a) and (b)

52. Which of these Non-governmental organizations does not primarily work towards safeguarding human rights?
(a) Amnesty International
(b) International Committee of the Red Cross
(c) UN Watch
(d) Greenpeace

53. The Battle held at Plassey is often mentioned in India’s colonial history. How did the place Plassey get its name from?
(a) The water structures that surrounded large forts
(b) Highly fertile soil found there
(c) Series of battles fought at it
(d) None of the above

54. Russian membership of G8 was suspended in view of
(a) Its violation of the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) rules
(b) Its growing proximity with China and North Korea
(c) Its annexation of Crimea in the Ukraine issue
(d) Its refusal to toe the USA lines on the Syrian crisis

55. Chauth and Sardeshmukhi levied by the Marathas were related to
(a) Pottery and crafts
(b) Recovery charges on state led industrial development
(c) Land revenue
(d) Fines on defeated kingdoms

56. The ‘Keynesian revolution’ is against
(a) A mixed economic system
(b) Blind capitalism
(c) Existence of Public sector in the economy
(d) Economic Planning

57. A microbial fuel cell (MFC) is a device that converts
(a) Chemical energy to electrical energy by the action of microorganisms
(b) Potential energy into chemical energy by the decomposition action of microorganisms
(c) Kinetic energy to heat energy by the action of microorganisms
(d) Heat energy into potential energy by metabolic action of microorganisms

58. Which of the following nations touch Caspian Sea?
(a) Russia, Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan
(b) Georgia, Armenia and Ukraine
(c) Turkey, Syria and Iraq
(d) Romania, Russia and Turkey
59. Seasonal migration of men and animals from lower to higher altitudes during the summer is known as
(a) Pastoralism
(b) Ex-Migration
(c) Nomadism
(d) Transhumance
Which of the above statements is/are correct?
(a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

60. Which of these states is not a member of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC)?
(a) Saudi Arabia
(b) Iraq
(c) Iran
(d) Kuwait

61. With reference to election of the President of India, consider the following statements:
1. He is elected by the representatives of the people through an Electoral College
2. The electoral college doesn’t consist of elected members of the Legislative Assembly of Delhi state
3. Like the President of USA, the President of India is elected by the system of proportional representation, by the single transferable vote
Select the correct answer using codes below:
(a) 1 Only
(b) 1 and 3 Only
(c) 1 and 2 Only
(d) 1,2 and 3

62. With reference to the office of the Indian President, consider the following statements:
1. President can be removed by the Supreme Court for committing electoral malpractices and upon ceasing to possess the requisite qualifications to be president
2. President has constitutional immunity for his unconstitutional, mala fides activities during his/her tenure
Which of the above statements is/are correct?
(a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

63. Which of the following persons is the first Bengali to become President of India?
(a) Zakir Husain
(b) Mohammad Hidayatullah
(c) Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed
(d) Pranab Mukherjee

64. With reference to the powers of The Indian President, consider the following statements:
1. The decisions involving pardoning and other rights by the President are independent of the opinion of the Prime Minister or the Lok Sabha majority but not absolute.
2. The President can ask the Attorney General to attend the parliamentary proceedings and report to him any unlawful functioning if any
Which of the above statements is/are correct?
(a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

65. The President of India receives his/her monthly emoluments as per the
(a) Second Schedule of the Constitution
(b) Third Schedule of the Constitution
(c) Fourth Schedule of the Constitution
(d) Rules created by the Parliament
66. To be eligible for membership in the Lok Sabha, a person
1. Must be a citizen of India
2. Must be 25 years of age or older
3. Must be mentally sound,
4. Should not be bankrupt
5. Should not be criminally convicted

Which of the above conditions is/are correct?
(a) 1, 2, 3 and 5 Only
(b) 1, 2 and 5 Only
(c) 1, 2, 3 and 5 Only
(d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

67. With reference to dates of sessions of the Parliament of India, which of the following is/are correctly matched?

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<td>July to September</td>
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<td>3. Winter session</td>
<td>November to December</td>
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Select the correct answer using codes below:
(a) 2 and 3 Only
(b) 1 and 3 Only
(c) 3 Only
(d) 1, 2 and 3

68. The Finance Minister, in his 2017 Budget Speech has announced Rs 500 cr for setting up Mahila Shakti Kendras. They will be set up at
(a) Taluk level in the BDO Office
(b) Village level in each Anganwadis
(c) District level in each District Collector’s office
(d) Village level in each Gram Panchayat office

69. Tasmantis has recently been given the status of a continent by several geologists who say that the long lost continent is submerged under water. It is located in
(a) Pacific Ocean
(b) Indian Ocean
(c) Atlantic Ocean
(d) Arctic Ocean

70. The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) of India is a statutory organisation under the
(a) Ministry of urban development
(b) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC)
(c) Ministry of commerce and industries
(d) Ministry of heavy industries and public enterprises

71. Recently, the union government amended which of the following Acts to provide legislative support for extinguishing the central bank and government’s liability on the demonetised banknotes that are not returned?
(a) Negotiable Instrument Act, 1881
(b) The Banking Regulation(Companies) Rules, 1949
(c) The Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934
(d) The Subsidiary Banks General Regulation, 1959

72. Why do you think India opted not to elect its President directly as in USA? Consider the following reasons:
1. Direct election would generate political feelings and the elected candidate will have strong affiliation to a political party
2. In a direct election, it would be impossible to provide an electoral machinery for the purpose of smooth and successful Presidential election
3. A directly elected Chief Executive who is a nominal head, might cultivate dictatorial tendencies
Which of the above statements is/are correct?
(a) 1 and 2 Only
(b) 2 and 3 Only
(c) 1 and 3 Only
(d) 1,2 and 3

73. With reference to the Pre-conception & Pre-natal Diagnostics Techniques (PC & PNDT) Act, 1994, consider the following statements:
1. The main purpose of enacting the act is to ban the use of sex selection techniques before or after conception
2. The act of sale, distribution, supply, renting etc. of any ultra sound machine or any other equipment capable of detecting sex of the foetus is punishable under this Act

Which of the above statements is/are correct?
(a) 1 only
(b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2
(d) Neither 1 nor 2

74. The Global Harmonization Task Force (GHTF) is related to,
(a) Convergence of regulatory practices related to the safety, performance and quality of medical devices
(b) Convergence of various disciplines involved in cancer research around the world
(c) Regulation of sex determination around the world
(d) Regulation of use of generic pharmaceuticals around the world

75. What is the function of messenger RNAs (mRNAs) ?
(a) They carry message from nucleus to DNA replication site to synthesise new DNA
(b) They carry message for production of RNA molecules
(c) They carry codes from the DNA in the nucleus to the sites of protein synthesis in the cytoplasm (the ribosomes)
(d) None of the above

76. Algorithmic trading refers to
(a) Using computers to trade fast and generate more profits than humans could do
(b) Using advanced algorithms in stock exchanges to monitor trading
(c) Using advanced algorithms to regulate and predict risks in financial markets
(d) None of the above

77. Bahrain, which historically served as a gateway between East and West, is planning to enhance air connectivity with India and other Asian countries. With reference to this news and Bahrain itself, consider the following statements:
1. It is a monarchy
2. It is located in the Persian Gulf
3. It is an island country
4. Bahrain International Airport (BIA) is located in Manama, its capital city

Which of the above statements is/are correct?
(a) 1,2 and 3 Only
(b) 2,3 and 4 Only
(c) 1,3 and 4 Only
(d) 1,2,3 and 4
78. China is constructing its first overseas military base in Djibouti. Which of the following countries will be more worried with this development?

(a) India  
(b) USA  
(c) Saudi Arabia  
(d) England

79. With reference to International Finance Corporation (IFC), consider the following statements:

1. It is a member of the World Bank Group  
2. It invests in private companies  

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

80. With reference to Sovereign Gold Bond scheme, consider the following statements:

1. The gold bond can be used as collateral to avail a loan  
2. At time of exit the bond can be redeemed at market rate of gold  
3. Capital gain tax will be exempted on redemption.  
4. There is no limit to amount of gold for an individual to invest in this scheme  

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

81. The artists of Bhimbetka used many colours, including various shades of white, yellow, orange, red ochre, purple, brown, green and black. If red colour was derived from haematite, what was the source of green colour for them?

(a) Green plants  
(b) Chalcedony  
(c) Emerald  
(d) None of the above

82. Which of the following Indus Valley Sites is/are not located in present day India?

1. Chanhudaro  
2. Harappa  
3. Sutkagan Dor  
4. Dholavira  
5. Banawali  

Select the correct answer using codes below:

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

83. Consider the following statements:

1. The art of bronze-casting was practised on a wide scale by the Harappans  
2. The famous Pashupati Seal found in an Harappa site is made up of bronze  

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

(a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
84. Yaksha worship was very popular before and after the advent of Buddhism. With reference to Yaksha, consider the following statements:

1. They were benevolent nature spirits and caretakers of the natural treasures hidden in the earth and tree roots
2. They appear in Hindu, Jain and Buddhist texts

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

85. The main events associated with the Buddha’s life which were frequently depicted in Jatakas were events related to the birth, renunciation, enlightenment, dhammachakrapravartana, and mahaparinibbana (death). Dhammachakrapravartana refers to

(a) His choosing of life of a sage
(b) Codification of Buddha’s teachings
(c) His first sermon
(d) Conversion of Buddha’s teachings into religion

86. Consider the following statements:

1. It is located in Aurangabad District of Maharashtra State
2. It is the only surviving example of painting of the first century BCE and the fifth century CE
3. It has large chaityaviharas and is decorated with sculptures and paintings

To which of the following locations does above description refer?

(a) Ajanta
(b) Ellora
(c) Elephanta
(d) Amaravathi

87. The Elephanta Caves are mainly sites of

(a) Buddhism and Jainism
(b) Jainism and Vaishnavism
(c) Buddhism and Vaishnavism
(d) Buddhism and Shaivism

88. The theme of Mara Vijaya has been painted in the caves of Ajanta. The panel shows the image of the Buddha in the centre surrounded by Mara’s army along with his daughter. With reference to this painting, consider the following statements:

1. Mara represents desire
2. The event is part of the enlightenment of Siddhartha

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

89. The pithoro paintings found in which of the following regions?

(a) Gujarat
(b) Assam
(c) Andhra Pradesh
(d) Uttarakhand

90. Consider the following statements:

1. Unlike the nagara temple, the dravida temple is enclosed within a compound wall
2. Whereas at the entrance to the North Indian temple’s garbhagriha, it would be usual to find images such as mithunas and the river goddesses, in the south one will generally find sculptures of fierce dvarapalas
3. In the south Indian temples, the outermost is the newest, while the tower right in the centre housing the garbhagriha is the oldest
Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

91. Most of the information about Nalanda is based on the records of
(a) Xuan Zang
(b) Faxian
(c) Song Yun
(d) Zheng He

92. Amalaka is found in which of the following architecture styles?
(a) Nagara style
(b) Dravida style
(c) Deccani architecture
(d) Mughal architecture

93. US-based Hyperloop Transportation Technologies (HTT) is in talks with five Indian states to build a high-speed travel network and will also raise $100 million to invest in the country. The hyperloop concept is a brainchild of
(a) Mark Zuckerberg of Facebook
(b) Jeff Bezos of Amazon
(c) Elon Musk of Tesla
(d) Sergey Brin of Google

94. Recently, TAMRA portal was simultaneously launched across 12 states. The objective of this portal is to
(a) Speed up copper mining in 12 states
(b) Speed up mining activity in India with fast clearances
(c) Speed up export of minerals
(d) None of the above

95. Recently, rumba dance has been added to UNESCO’s coveted list of “intangible” heritage. This dance form originated in
(a) Brazil
(b) Spain
(c) Portugal
(d) Cuba

96. Salihundam is a historically noted village and panchayat in Gara Mandal of Srikakulam district in Andhra Pradesh. It is famous for
(a) It is famous for GI tagged cuisine
(b) It is a famous Buddhist Remnants sites
(c) It is famous for prehistoric caves
(d) None of the above

97. Which of the following National Parks was added to in the UNESCO ‘mixed’ heritage site category of the list i.e. which exhibits qualities of both natural and cultural significance?
(a) Kaziranga National Park
(b) Khangchendzonga National Park
(c) Bandipur National Park
(d) Keoladeo National Park

98. With reference to Humayun’s Tomb, consider the following statements:
1. It is located in Agra
2. The structure is built using marble
3. It is a UNESCO World Heritage Site

Which of the above statements is/are correct?
(a) 3 Only
(b) 1 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 2 only
(d) 1, 2 and 3
99. Consider the following statements:

1. He founded the Indian Home League Society of America and wrote a book called “Young India”

2. In 1921, He founded Servants of the People Society, a non-profit welfare organisation, in Lahore

Who is the 'He' in the above statement?

(a) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
(b) Lala Lajpat Rai
(c) Tej Bahadur Sapru
(d) Mahadev Govind Ranade

100. With reference to Vasudev Balwant Phadke, consider the following statements:

1. He is regarded as father of armed struggle against the British in India

2. He led the Ramoshi movement against the British

3. According to some historians, he is the inspiration behind Bankim Chandra Chatterjee's famous novel Anandmath

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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