

Insta 75 Days Revision Plan for UPSC Civil Services Prelims – 2020

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DAY – 1(InstaTest-1)

1. Consider the following statements regarding concerns with Gross Domestic Product (GDP) as a measure of development:

1. If the GDP of the country is rising, the welfare may not rise simultaneously.
2. Many activities in an economy are not evaluated in monetary terms.
3. Positive and negative externalities are not measured.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

2. Consider the following pairs of GI tag products and their respective states:

Product	State
1. Tawlhlohpuan	Sikkim
2. Kaji Nemu	Mizoram
3. Pawndum	Kerala

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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

3. Consider the following statements regarding ENSURE – National Livestock Mission- EDEG portal

1. The portal ensures smooth Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) to beneficiaries under National Livestock Mission.
2. It was developed by National Informatics Centre (NIC) and operated under the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries

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

4. Consider the following statements regarding Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS)

1. It is an initiative of Ministry of Science and Technology
2. Under the scheme subsidy is given to the units/entities through nodal financial institutions and not through the state government.

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

5. Consider the following statements regarding deficits

1. For the last 5 financial years (including 2019-20), the revenue deficit has been increasing consecutively.
2. The largest source of deficit financing is market borrowings.

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

6. Consider the following statements regarding FRBM Review Committee

1. The FRBM Review Committee was setup under the chairmanship of Vijay Kelkar.
2. The fiscal and revenue deficits targets for 2022-2023 were 2.5% and 0.8% respectively.

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

7. Which of the following country/countries was/were named Fragile Five Economies by Morgan Stanley in 2013?

1. Russia
2. Turkey

3. Brazil
4. India

Select the correct answer using the code given below

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

8. A National Challenge, “*Ideate for India – Creative Solutions using Technology*” is a platform for

- (a) School students
- (b) Start Ups
- (c) Women Entrepreneurs
- (d) Higher Education Institutions

9. *World Investment Report*, sometime seen in the news, is released by

- (a) World Bank
- (b) The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
- (c) The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
- (d) Asian Development Bank

10. Consider the following statements regarding structure of NITI Aayog

1. PM is its Chairman
2. Union Finance minister is its Vice-Chairperson
3. Chief Executive Officer, appointed by the PM
4. Ex-Officio Members: maximum of four members of the Union Council of Ministers to be nominated by the PM.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

11. Consider the following statements regarding industrial revolutions

1. The First Industrial Revolution: The revolution was about emergence of railways and Steel industry.
2. The Third Industrial Revolution: Electric engine, Heavy chemicals, automobiles and consumer durables made their presence felt during this period.
3. The Fourth Industrial Revolution: The digital revolution.

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

12. Consider the following statements regarding Five year plans

1. Second Plan: The plan was developed by Professor Mahalanobis.
2. Third Plan: The Plan was based on the Gadgil strategy
3. Fourth Plan: For the first times, the aim of balanced, regional development was considered.

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

13. Consider the following statements regarding Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office (DMEO)

1. It was constituted by merging the erstwhile Program Evaluation Office (PEO) and the Independent Evaluation Office (IEO).
2. It is an attached office under Ministry of Finance.
3. Its vision is to improve sustainable outcomes and impacts of the government programs.
4. DMEO has advisory powers across the Ministries and Departments of the Union Government.

Which of the statement above 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

14. Chaukhandi Stupa, recently seen in news, is located in:

- (a) Uttar Pradesh
- (b) Bihar
- (c) Madhya Pradesh
- (d) Jharkhand

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

15. Consider the following statements regarding the Gandhian plan

1. Jayaprakash Narayan formulated the Gandhian Plan.
2. The plan articulated a 'decentralized economic structure' for India with 'self-contained villages'.

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

17. Consider the following statements regarding National Anti-Profiteering Authority:

1. It is a non-statutory body constituted by an executive resolution.
2. It aims to check the unfair profiteering activities by the registered suppliers under GST law.
3. Finance Minister of India is the ex-officio chairman of the authority.

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

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

16. With reference to the India's three stage nuclear programme, consider the following statements:

1. Heavy water is used as moderator and coolant in Pressurized Heavy Water Reactors.
2. Plutonium – 239 serves as the main fissile material in the Fast Breeder Reactors.
3. Most of the Indian nuclear plants which already in operation are Thorium Based Reactors (Stage III).

18. Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri KISAN Samman Nidhi

1. It was launched to improve the income of both small and marginal farmers.
2. It aims to help farmers meet farm input and other costs during the crop season.

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

19. Consider the following statements

1. As per Adam Smith's Wealth of Nations, government fiscal policy should be used to stabilize the level of output and employment.
2. In a mixed economy, the Government attempts to increase output and income and seeks to stabilize the ups and downs in the economy.

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

20. Which of the following forms the part of Revenue Expenditure

1. Expenses incurred for the normal functioning of the government.
2. Interest payments on debt incurred by the government.
3. Loans given to state governments, even though some of the loans may be meant for creation of assets.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

21. Which of the following index/reports is/are published by NITI Aayog?

1. Composite Water Management Index
2. SDG India Index
3. School Education Quality Index
4. House Price Index

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

22. Consider the following statements:

1. Public goods in an economy are rivalrous and non-excludable.
2. Fresh water resource is an example of public good.
3. Tragedy of Commons is related to the overuse of private goods.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

23. National Income of an economy is calculated using

- (a) Net National Product (NNP) at Factor Cost
- (b) Net Domestic Product (NDP) at Factor Cost
- (c) Net National Product (NNP) at Market Cost
- (d) Net Domestic Product (NDP) at Market Cost

24. Consider the following statements regarding Transfer payments

1. Transfer Payments are payments which are made without any counterpart of services received by the payer.
2. The examples for Transfer Payments are gifts, scholarships and pensions.

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

25. Consider the following statements regarding Varunastra torpedoes

1. It is the only torpedo in the world to have a GPS-based locating aid.
2. This has been jointly developed by the Naval Science and Technology Laboratory (NTSL), Visakhapatnam and the Bharat Dynamics Limited -BDL (Hyderabad).

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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26. Consider the following statements regarding Asiatic golden cat

1. It is found across eastern Nepal through north-eastern India to Indonesia.
2. It is listed as critically endangered species by IUCN.

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

27. Which of the following taxes have been referred as Paper Taxes?

1. Income Tax
2. Corporate Tax
3. Wealth tax
4. Gift tax

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

28. Consider the following statements regarding difference between CPI and GDP deflator

1. CPI does not include prices of imported goods, while they are included in GDP deflator.
2. GDP deflator takes into account all goods and services produced in a country, while CPI takes into account a basket of goods.

3. The weights are constant in CPI, but they differ according to production level of each good in GDP deflator.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

29. Consider the following statements regarding Provision coverage ratio (PCR)

1. It refers to the prescribed percentage of funds to be set aside by the banks for covering the prospective losses due to bad loans
2. Higher the PCR, lower is the unexposed part of the bad debts

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

30. Consider the following statements regarding the effects of inflation

1. Inflation redistributes wealth from creditors to debtors.
2. Generally, in case of inflation, the currency of the economy depreciates.
3. During inflation, holding money remains an intelligent economic decision.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only

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

31. The major traits of recession are

1. There is a general fall in demand
2. Inflation remains lower
3. Employment rate falls

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

32. The *Kheer Bhawani mela* has been annually celebrated by

- (a) Kerala
(b) Assam
(c) Kashmir
(d) Andaman and Nicobar

33. Which of the following organization releases 'Global Economic Prospects' report?

- (a) World Bank
(b) International Monetary Fund (IMF)
(c) World Economic Forum (WEF)
(d) The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

34. Consider the following statements regarding urban co-operative banks (UCBs)

1. They are registered and governed under the co-operative society acts of the respective states and Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
2. The managerial aspects of these banks are controlled by RBI.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

35. Which of the following are covered under Wilful Default

1. Disposal / removal of securities without bank's knowledge
2. Misrepresentation / falsification of records
3. Deliberate non-payment of the dues despite adequate cash flow and good net worth.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

36. Consider the following statements regarding Operation Twist

1. It was launched by RBI to bring down interest rates.

2. In the operation, the central bank uses the proceeds from sale of long-term government debt papers to buy short-term securities

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

37. Consider the following statements regarding 'Jal Hi Jeevan Hai' scheme:

1. It has been launched by the Madhya Pradesh government.
2. Government provides Rs 5000/- incentives per acre for the farmer
3. Free of cost hybrid seeds would be provided under the scheme

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

38. Stagflation often seen in news occurs when the economy is facing

1. High inflation
2. High Fiscal Deficit
3. Currency appreciation
4. High unemployment rate

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

39. Consider the following statements

1. White Label ATMs (WLAs) are set up, owned and operated by banks.
2. Card tokenization refers to replacement of actual card details with an alternate code called the token, which shall be unique for a combination of card, token requestor and device.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

40. Consider the following statements regarding taxation in India

1. The gross tax receipt has remained constant at around 10.5% of GDP for the last decade.
2. The contribution of direct taxes is more than 75% of the gross tax receipt in India.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

41. Consider the following statements regarding Annual study of state-level budgets

1. It was released by Department of Economic Affairs.
2. According to the report, except during 2016-17, state governments have regularly met their fiscal deficit target of 3% of GDP.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

42. Consider the following statements regarding Committee on Government Assurances (Rajya Sabha)

1. The Committee shall consist of ten members who shall be elected amongst the members of Rajya Sabha
2. If the Chairman of the Committee is absent from any meeting, the Committee shall choose another member to act as Chairman of the Committee for that meeting.

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

43. Consider the following statements regarding Advisory Board for Banking Frauds (ABBF)

1. The RBI has constituted an Advisory Board for Banking Frauds to examine bank fraud of over ₹50 crore and recommend action.
2. The tenure of the Chairman and members would be for a period of three years.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

44. Consider the following statements regarding Core Investment Companies (CICs)

1. Systemically Important Core Investment Company is a Non-Banking Financial Company with asset size of Rs 100 crore and above.
2. Existing CICs having asset size of below Rs 100 crore are exempted from registration under RBI act 1934.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

45. *Tutsa, Wancho, Nocte, Tangsa* tribes, sometime seen in the news, belongs to which of the following state?

- (a) Tripura
(b) Mizoram
(c) Himachal Pradesh
(d) Arunachal Pradesh

46. Consider the following statements regarding United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

1. UNESCO is a specialized agency of the United Nations (UN) based in Paris.
2. It is also a member of the United Nations Development Group
3. Recently United States and Russia officially quit the UNESCO

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

47. The Fiscal Performance Index (FPI) has been released by

- (a) Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)
(b) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)
(c) Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
(d) Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)

48. The term Juneteenth often seen in the news, which is related to

- (a) Artificial intelligence
(b) Biotechnology
(c) Slavery
(d) Medicine

49. Consider the following statements regarding Kimberly process

1. It is an international certification scheme that regulates trade in rough diamonds.
2. Presently, India chairs the Kimberly Process..

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

50. Consider the following statements regarding Board for Financial Supervision (BFS)

1. The primary objective of BFS is to undertake consolidated supervision of the financial sector.
2. The Department of Financial Services performs the supervisory function under the guidance of the Board (BFS).
3. The board is chaired by Finance Secretary.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

DAY – 3(InstaTest-3)

51. Consider the following statements regarding Competition Commission of India (CCI)

1. It is a non-statutory body established by an executive resolution of the cabinet.
2. Its Chairperson and members shall be appointed by the President of India.
3. It is the duty of the Commission to eliminate practices having adverse effect on competition and protect the interests of consumers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

52. Consider the following statements regarding Nidhi Company

1. Nidhi is a company formed with the exclusive object of cultivating the habit of thrift, savings and functioning for the mutual benefit of members.
2. Nidhis are governed by the overall ceiling on the rate of interest prescribed by RBI.
3. Nidhis are included in the definition of Non-Banking Financial companies, which operate mainly in the unorganized money market.
4. Nidhis are companies registered under Companies Act, 1956 and are regulated by Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA).

Which of the statements given above 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

53. Which of the following Indian states has launched India's first trading programme to combat particulate air pollution?

- (a) Karnataka
(b) Haryana
(c) Gujarat
(d) Meghalaya

54. Consider the following statements regarding Treasury bills or T-bills in India

1. Treasury bills are short term debt instruments issued by the RBI.
2. Treasury bills are zero coupon securities.

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

55. Consider the following statements regarding Government Security (G-Sec)

1. A Government Security (G-Sec) is a tradeable instrument issued by the Central Government or the State Governments.
2. In India, Both the Central Government and the State Governments can issue treasury bills and bonds or dated securities.
3. Such securities are short term or long term.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

56. Consider the following statements regarding Financial Benchmark India Private Ltd (FBIL)

1. It was jointly promoted by RBI and Indian Banks Association (IBA).
2. The main object of the company is to act as the administrators of the Indian interest rate and foreign exchange benchmarks.

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

57. Consider the following statements regarding the Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation

1. The authorized capital of the Corporation is 5 crores, which is fully issued and subscribed by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
2. The management of the Corporation vests with its Board of Directors, of which Governor of the RBI is the Chairman.

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:

1. Plastic Pollution Coalition is an intergovernmental organization.
2. Microbeads are commonly found in cosmetic products.

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

59. Consider the following statements regarding HSN Code

1. It is a multipurpose international product nomenclature developed by the World Customs Organization (WCO).
2. It was developed with the vision of facilitating the classification of goods all over the World in a systematic manner.
3. India has decided to allow imports without HSN code.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

60. Consider the following statements regarding Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) of Reserve Bank of India

1. It aims to monitor the operation of weaker banks more closely to encourage them to conserve capital and avoid risks.
2. It imposes certain restrictions on expansion of branches and dividend distribution by banks that are financially weak.

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

61. Consider the following statements regarding INS Khanderi

1. It is the second of the Indian Navy's six Kalvari-class submarines being built in India.
2. It is nuclear powered submarine.
3. It was commissioned into Indian Navy in 2014.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

62. Consider the following statements regarding classification of money market

1. Overnight market – The tenor of transactions is one working day.
2. Term money market– The tenor of the transactions is from 2 days to 14 days.
3. Notice money market– The tenor of the transactions is from 15 days to one year.

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

63. Consider the following statements regarding National Overseas Scholarship Scheme

1. It is a Central Sector scheme for Scheduled Caste (SC) students
2. The Scheme provides financial assistance to the finally selected candidates for pursuing Master level courses and Ph.D abroad in the accredited Institutions/University by an authorized body of that country
3. It is jointly launched by Ministry of External Affairs and Ministry of Human Resource Development.

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

64. Consider the following statements regarding Participatory notes

1. They are financial instruments required by investors or hedge funds to invest in Indian securities without having to register SEBI.
2. The investor in PN owns the underlying Indian security but does not enjoy any voting rights in relation to security/shares

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

65. Under the balance of payments, Current account consists of

1. Trade in goods
2. Net investment income
3. Grants
4. Remittances

Which of the statements given above 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

66. Consider the following statements

1. In foreign exchange market, devaluation is a situation when domestic currency loses its value in front of a foreign currency if it is market-driven, without any intervention by the government.
2. In domestic economy, depreciation means an asset losing its value due to either its use, wear and tear or due to other economic reasons.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

67. Consider the following statements regarding imports and exports in India

1. Crude petroleum and gold forms the largest components of imports in India.
2. Iron and steel, Gold and other precious Metal Jewellery and Drugs Formations combined together forms the largest component of exports.

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

68. Consider the following statements regarding Trade Infrastructure for Export Scheme (TIES)

1. Its objective is to assist Central and State Government Agencies for creation of appropriate infrastructure for growth of exports from the States.
2. The Scheme provides financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid to Central/State Government owned agencies.

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 statements regarding The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)

1. A NATO decision is the expression of the collective will of all 29 member countries since all decisions are taken by consensus.
2. Every day, member countries consult and take decisions on security issues at all levels and in a variety of fields.
3. All the members of European Union are the members of it.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

70. Consider the following statements regarding Turtle Survival Alliance (TSA)

1. It is an action-oriented global partnership committed in achieving zero turtle extinctions in the 21st century.
2. It is an initiative of United Nations.
3. TSA arose in response to the rampant and unsustainable harvest of Asian turtle populations, a situation known as the Asian Turtle Crisis.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

71. Consider the following statements regarding SWIFT (Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunications)

1. SWIFT is a cooperative society under Belgian law owned by its member financial institutions with offices around the world
2. SWIFT facilitate funds transfer and sends payment orders.
3. SWIFT India is a joint venture of top Indian public and private sector banks and SWIFT

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

72. Consider the following statements regarding Currency Swap Arrangement

1. It is an arrangement, between two friendly trading countries to basically involve in trading in their own local currencies.
2. The payment for import and export are made at the pre-determined rates of exchange, without bringing in third country currency like the US Dollar.

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

73. Which of the following pairs of tribes with their respective countries is/are correctly matched?

1. Thailand : Bidoon
2. Syria : Kurds
3. Kuwait : Bedouin tribes
4. Iraq : Sea Gypsies

Select the correct answer using the codes given below

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

74. Consider the following statements regarding hard currency

1. It is the international currency in which the highest faith is shown
2. It has a high level of liquidity

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

75. Consider the following statements regarding Kelp Forests

1. Kelp Forests are underwater ecosystems formed in coastal, shallow clear water by the dense growth of several different species.
2. They occur worldwide throughout tropical and subtropical coastal oceans.

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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76. Consider the following statements:

1. As per the Economic Survey, 2019-20, benefit of increase in crop production from 20 to 38 per cent has accrued to the farmers by use of Micro irrigation
2. Recently, the subject 'Water' has been moved from state list to concurrent list.
3. 'Per Drop More Crop' is a component of the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana (PMKSY).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

77. Consider the following statements regarding the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

1. It is one of the world's largest financiers of AIDS, TB, and malaria prevention, treatment, and care programs.
2. It mobilizes and invests funds to support programs run by local experts in more than 100 countries.

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

78. Consider the following statements regarding Minimum Support Price (MSP)

1. MSP is a form of market intervention by the Government to insure agricultural producers against any sharp fall in farm prices.
2. It is announced by the Government on the basis of the recommendations of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP).
3. The mandated crops include food crops grown in both kharif season and rabi season but does not include commercial crops.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

79. Consider the following statements regarding production of crude steel

1. India stood at second position in the production of crude steel.
2. It is also the second largest consumer of the finished steel after China.

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

80. Consider the following statements regarding global trade of agricultural products

1. India has remained a net exporter of agri-products in 2018-19.
2. India's total agricultural export basket accounts for a little over 21.5 per cent of the world agricultural trade.

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

81. Consider the following statements regarding Thirty Meter Telescope (TMT)

1. It is an international project being funded by scientific organizations of Canada, China, India, Japan, Russia and USA
2. It will enable scientists to study fainter objects far away from us in the Universe, which gives information about early stages of evolution of the Universe.

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 statements regarding Fisheries Sector

1. The fish production in India has registered an average annual growth rate of more than 7 per cent in the recent years.
2. Out of the total fish production, Marine fisheries contributes more than two-third of the share.

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

83. Consider the following statements regarding Index of Eight Core Industries

1. The industries included in the Index of Eight Core Industries comprise around 40% weight in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP).
2. Refinery products have the highest weightage in the Index of Eight Core Industries.

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

84. Tenofovir and Lamivudine drugs, sometime seen in the news, is effective against which of the following disease/ailments?

- (a) Multidrug Resistant Tuberculosis
- (b) HIV/AIDS
- (c) Nipah Virus
- (d) None of the above

85. Consider the following statements regarding New Space India Limited (NSIL):

1. It is a wholly owned Government of India undertaking under the administrative control of Department of Space (DOS).
2. It was setup to commercially exploit the research and development work of Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) Centers and constituent units of DOS.

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

86. Consider the following statements regarding Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia (ReCAAP).

1. The ReCAAP is the first regional Government-to-Government agreement to deal with piracy and armed robbery at sea in Asia.
2. Presently 35 countries are members of ReCAAP

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

87. Consider the following statements regarding National Infrastructure Pipeline (NIP)

1. The NIP has projected total infrastructure investment of 100 million crore during the period FY 2020 to 2025 in India.
2. As per the NIP, Central Government (50 per cent) and State Government (50 per cent) are expected to have equal share in funding of the projects.

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

88. Consider the following statements regarding services sector

1. The sector accounts for around 55 per cent of total size of the economy and GVA growth.
2. The sector accounts about 48 per cent of total exports.
3. The sector accounts two-thirds of total FDI inflows into India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

89. Dalma Wildlife Sanctuary, sometime seen in the news, is located in which of the following state?

- (a) Maharashtra (b) Madhya Pradesh
(c) Jharkhand (d) Mizoram

90. Consider the following statements regarding 7th Economic Census -2019

1. The economic Census was launched in 1956
2. It is being conducted by MoSPI to provide disaggregated information on various operational and structural aspects of all establishments in the country.

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

91. Consider the following statements regarding the recommendations of 15th Finance Commission

1. The Commission has increased the vertical devolution from 41% to 42%.
2. The Commission has considered the 2011 population along with forest cover, tax effort, area of the state, and demographic performance for its recommendations.

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

92. Consider the following statements regarding Swadesh Darshan scheme

1. It was launched by Ministry of Culture.
2. The scheme is 100% centrally funded for the project components undertaken for public funding.
3. Under the scheme, Central Financial Assistance (CFA) will be provided to State Governments/Union Territory Administrations for infrastructure development of circuits

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

93. Consider the following statements regarding Financial Stability and Development Council (FSDC)

1. The FSDC was set up to strengthen and institutionalize the mechanism for maintaining financial stability, enhancing inter-regulatory coordination and promoting financial sector development.
2. The Council is a non-statutory body, chaired by the Union Finance 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

94. IMF Quotas of an economy is decided based on

1. Country's GDP
2. Its economic openness
3. Its economic variability
4. International reserves

Which of the statements given above 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

95. Consider the following statements regarding PUNCH mission

1. It is focused on understanding the transition of particles from the Sun's outer corona to the solar wind that fills interplanetary space.

2. The mission will consist of a constellation of four suitcase-sized microsats that will orbit the Earth
3. The mission is expected to be launched in the year 2025.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

96. Consider the following statements regarding the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP)

1. The Generalized System of Preferences (GSP), instituted in 1971 under the aegis of UNCTAD.
2. 13 countries including the European Union grant GSP preferences.

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 regarding Asian Elephant Alliance

1. It is an initiative of World Wide Fund for Nature and TRAFFIC
2. It aims to secure the elephant corridors 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

98. Consider the following statements regarding Financial Action Task Force (FATF)

1. It is an inter-governmental body and an initiative of the OECD.
2. The FATF Secretariat is housed at the OECD headquarters in Paris.
3. India is a member to FATF.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

99. 6+1 group, a regional consultative mechanism to weigh in on the critical challenges facing the Afghanistan includes which of the following countries?

1. Russia
2. Saudi Arabia
3. India
4. Kazakhstan

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

100. Consider the following statements

1. India is the largest producer of silk in the world
2. India holds around 25 percent share in the cotton yarn industry across the globe
3. India is the third largest manufacturer of textiles across the globe.

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