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DAY – 65 (InstaTest-65)

1. Consider the following statements regarding International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

1. It is also known as the International Seed Treaty.
2. The Treaty helps maximize the use and breeding of all crops and promotes development and maintenance of diverse farming systems.
3. This treaty recognizes and protects the farmer rights.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

2. Consider the following statements regarding Repco Bank

1. Repco Bank is a multi-state cooperative society established for rehabilitation of repatriates from Myanmar and Sri Lanka.
2. It is controlled by Ministry of Finance.
3. It is operated only in the South Indian states of Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu.

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

3. Consider the following statements regarding Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (DFC)

1. It begins at Dadri in Uttar Pradesh and till the Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust, near Mumbai.
2. The Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India (DFCCIL) has been established to carry out the project.
3. The project will be funded by loan from World Bank.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

4. Consider the following statements regarding Jal Jeevan Mission

1. It aims to create local infrastructure for rainwater harvesting, groundwater recharge and management of household waste water for reuse in agriculture.
2. The chief objective of the mission is to provide piped water supply to all rural and urban households by 2024.
3. India has 20% of freshwater resources of the entire world.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

5. Consider the following statements regarding STRIPS – Separate Trading of Registered Interest and Principal of Securities

1. STRIPS are the securities created by way of separating the cash flows associated with a regular G-Sec and the final principal payment to be received from the issuer, into separate securities.
2. They are essentially Zero-Coupon Bonds (ZCBs).
3. They are created out of existing securities only and like other securities, they are issued through auctions.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

6. Consider the following statements regarding Complaint Management System (CMS)

1. It is a software application to facilitate RBI's grievance redressal process.
2. Customers can lodge complaints only against commercial banks.
3. The complaint would be directed to the appropriate office of the Ombudsman.

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

7. Consider the following statements regarding Lymphatic filariasis

1. It is caused by infection with parasitic worms living in the lymphatic system.
2. It cause abnormal enlargement of body parts, and leading to severe disability and social stigmatization of those affected.

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

8. Consider the following statements regarding National Investment and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF)

1. It an investment vehicle for funding commercially viable green field, brown field and stalled infrastructure projects.
2. The Indian government is investing 51% and the rest of the corpus is to be raised from third-party investors.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

9. Consider the following statements regarding Laffer Curve

1. The Laffer Curve describes the relationship between tax rates and total tax revenue.
2. If taxes are too high along the Laffer Curve, then they will increase total tax revenue.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

10. Consider the following statements regarding Electoral bond scheme

1. An electoral bond is like a promissory note that can be bought by any Indian citizen or company incorporated in India from select branches of State Bank of India.
2. The bonds will be issued in multiples of Rs 1,000, Rs 10,000, Rs 100,000 and Rs 1 crore (the range of a bond is between Rs 1,000 to Rs 1 crore).
3. The electoral bond will be valid only for thirty days.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

11. Consider the following statements regarding Cash Reserve Ratio

1. It refers to the fraction of the total Net Demand and Time Liabilities (NDTL) of a Bank, that it has to maintain as cash deposit with the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
2. The banks are not paid any interest on behalf of the RBI for parking the required cash.
3. Regional rural banks and co-operative banks are outside the purview of CRR.

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

12. Consider the following statements regarding Fixed Income Money Market and Derivatives Association of India

1. It is an association of Scheduled Commercial Banks, Public Financial Institutions, Primary Dealers and Insurance Companies.
2. FIMMDA is a voluntary market body for the bond, money and derivatives markets.

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

13. Glyphosate, often seen in the news, is related to

- (a) Multidrug Resistance Tuberculosis
- (b) Bio-chemical agent to remove oil spills
- (c) Weedicide
- (d) None of the above

14. Consider the following statements regarding Wholesale Price Index (WPI)

1. Primary Articles forms the major component of WPI.
2. It is measured on year-on-year basis i.e., rate of change in price level in a given month vis a vis corresponding month of last year.

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

- 15.** Consider the following statements regarding India Brand Equity Foundation (IBEF)
1. It is a Trust established by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII).
 2. Its primary objective is to promote and create international awareness of the Made in India label.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

- 16.** Consider the following pairs of Martial arts and the states they are mainly associated with:

<i>Martial Arts</i>	<i>States</i>
1. Silambam	: Odisha
2. Gatka	: Maharashtra
3. Huyen langlon	: Arunachal Pradesh

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

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

- 17.** Consider the following statements regarding Effective Revenue deficit

1. The term Effective Revenue deficit was introduced in the Union Budget 2011-12.
2. Effective Revenue Deficit signifies that amount of capital receipts that are being used for actual capital expenditure of the Government.
3. Since its inception, Year on year the effective revenue deficit is decreasing.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 18.** Consider the following statements regarding National Strategy for Financial Inclusion

1. It was prepared by Ministry of Finance.
2. Every village to have access to a formal financial service provider within a reasonable distance of 15 KM radius.

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.** Idu-Mishmi tribe often seen in the news, is found in

- (a) Assam
- (b) Kashmir
- (c) Arunachal Pradesh
- (d) Manipur

- 20.** Consider the following statements regarding National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company Ltd [NCGTC]

1. It was set up by the Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance with a paid-up capital of ₹100 crore.
2. It acts as a common trustee company to manage and operate various credit guarantee trust funds.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

21. Consider the following statements regarding Koundinya Wildlife Sanctuary

1. It is the only sanctuary in Telangana with a population of Asian elephants.
2. It is covered by southern tropical dry deciduous and thorn forests.

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

22. Consider the following statements regarding Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI)

1. It is released by Reserve Bank of India.
2. It is an indicator of business activity, both in the manufacturing and services sectors.
3. A figure above 50 denotes expansion in business activity. Anything below 50 denotes contraction.

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

23. Consider the following statements regarding Interpol's Red Notices

1. It has been issued by Interpol general secretariat
2. It is an international arrest warrant
3. Interpol can compel any member country to arrest an individual subject to red notice

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

24. Consider the following statements regarding Ways and Means Advances (WMA)

1. They are temporary loan facilities provided by RBI to the government to enable it to meet temporary mismatches between revenue and expenditure.
2. The rate of interest is the same as the repo rate, while the tenure is three months.

Which of the statement 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 Institute of Chartered Accountants of India

1. It is a statutory body
2. It functions under the administrative control of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs
3. It is aimed at regulating the profession of Chartered Accountancy in the country.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

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26. Consider the following statements regarding Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA).

1. The Central Government, or the Governor of the State or administrator of the Union Territory can declare the whole or part of the State or Union Territory as a disturbed area.
2. Presently, it is operational in the entire States of Assam, Nagaland and Manipur only
3. Armed can use force or even open fire after giving due warning if they feel a person is in contravention of the law

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

27. Consider the following statements regarding National Sports Development Fund (NSDF)

1. It was established in 1998 under the Charitable Endowments Act 1890.
2. The purpose of creation is to impart momentum and flexibility to assisting the cause of sports
3. The Fund is managed by a Council and Union Minister in charge of Youth Affairs and Sports is the Chairperson of the Council.

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

28. Consider the following statements regarding exchange rate

1. The Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER) of the rupee is a weighted average of exchange rates before the currencies of India's major trading partners.
2. When the weight of inflation is adjusted with the REER, we get the Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (REER) of the rupee.

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

29. Consider the following statements regarding Skills Build Platform

1. It is skill building programme for migrant workers.
2. It is launched by Ministry of Labour with active co-operation by skill ministry

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 Hybrid Annuity Model (HAM)

1. The HAM is a mix between the existing two models – BOT Annuity and EPC.
2. As per the design, the government will contribute to 60% of the project cost in the first five years through annual payments (annuity).
3. Revenue collection would be the responsibility of the Government.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

31. Consider the following statements regarding Invest India

1. It is a non-profit venture under the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
2. It is the National Investment Promotion and Facilitation Agency of India and act as the first point of reference for investors in India.
3. The current shareholding pattern is 49 % of Industry Associations and the remaining 51% of Central and State Governments.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

32. Agreement on Reciprocal Logistics Support (ARLS), sometime seen in the news, is a defence agreement between which of the following countries?

- (a) India and United States
- (b) India and Japan
- (c) India and Russia
- (d) India and France

33. Consider the following statements regarding Indian Ports

1. Major Ports are under the Union List while the Non-Major Ports are under the State List of the Constitution of India.
2. Major Ports are under the administrative control of Government of India while the Non-major ports are governed by the respective Maritime State Governments.
3. Major ports handle more than 50% of sea-borne traffic.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

34. Consider the following statements regarding Local Area Banks (LABs)

1. They provide services in a limited area of operation, i.e., primarily in rural and semi-urban areas, comprising three contiguous districts.
2. LABs were required to have a minimum capital of Rs. 50 crores.

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

35. Consider the following statements regarding National Nutrition Survey

1. The survey for the first time proved the coexistence of obesity and under nutrition.
2. Around 10% of children in the age group of 5 to 9 years and adolescents in the age group 10 to 19 years are pre – diabetic

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

36. Which of the following is/are considered as minor minerals in India?

1. Stones used for making household utensils
2. Bentonite
3. Shale when used for building material
4. Mica

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

37. Consider the following statements regarding Mumbai Inter-Bank Offer Rate (MIBOR) and Mumbai Inter-Bank Bid Rate (MIBID)

1. They are the benchmark rates at which Indian banks lend and borrow money to each other.
2. MIBID is the rate at which banks would like to borrow from other banks and MIBOR is the rate at which banks are willing to lend to other banks.

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

38. Consider the following statements regarding School Education Quality Index (SEQI)

1. Kerala has emerged on top among 20 large states in terms of quality of school education.
2. It aims to bring an 'outcomes' focus to education policy by providing States and UTs with a platform to identify their strengths and weaknesses
3. All seven union territories have shown significant decline in their overall performance scores

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

39. Consider the following statements regarding Commodities transaction tax (CTT)

1. Commodities transaction tax (CTT) is a tax similar to Securities Transaction Tax (STT), levied in India, on transactions done on the domestic commodity derivatives exchanges.
2. The concept of CTT was first introduced in the Union Budget 2018-19.
3. All agricultural commodities are exempted from CTT.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

40. Consider the following statements regarding Gini index or Gini coefficient

1. It is often used as a gauge of economic inequality, measuring income distribution or, less commonly, wealth distribution among a population.
2. The coefficient ranges from 0 (or 0%) to 1 (or 100%), with 0 representing perfect equality and 1 representing perfect inequality.
3. The Gini index is often represented graphically through the Lorenz curve.

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

41. Consider the following statements regarding Rashtriya Aavishkar Abhiyan (RAA)

1. It has been launched under Atal Innovation Mission
2. It will target students in the age group of 6 – 18 years.
3. It aims to encourage children towards learning Science and Mathematics.

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

42. Consider the following statements regarding National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)

1. NABARD today is fully owned by RBI.
2. It was setup based on the recommendation of B. Sivaraman Committee.

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 CriSidEx

1. It was launched by CRISIL and SIDBI.
2. It is a composite index which measures business sentiment of Micro and Small Enterprises.
3. A scale of 0 (extremely negative) to 100 (extremely positive).

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

44. Consider the following statements regarding Leader of Opposition

1. It is a constitutional post
2. He is leader of the largest party that has not less than one-tenth of the total strength of the house
3. He plays a crucial role in appointments of CVC, CBI, CIC, Lokpal.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

45. Consider the following statements regarding Business Correspondent

1. Business correspondents are bank representatives and help villagers to open bank accounts.
2. Only retired bank employees can become Business correspondents.
3. BC's must be a permanent resident of the area in which they propose to operate.

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

46. Consider the following statements regarding International Court of Justice

1. All members of the UN are parties to the statute of the ICJ.
2. Any individuals, non-governmental organizations, corporations or any other private entities can appear before the ICJ.
3. ICJ only has jurisdiction over any dispute, if the both concerned parties submit to the jurisdiction of ICJ.

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

47. Which of following are major economy traits of Recovery cycle in the business cycle?

1. An upturn in aggregate (total) demand which has to be accompanied by increase in the level of production.

2. As demand goes upward, inflation also moves upward making borrowing cheaper for investors.
3. Production process expands and new investments become attractive.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

48. The port integrity campaign has been launched by

- (a) International Maritime Organization
- (b) Maritime safety organizations
- (c) Maritime trade unions
- (d) Maritime Anti-Corruption Network

49. Consider the following statements regarding Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Minor Forest Produce (MFP)

1. MSP rate are decided by Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
2. The Scheme is applicable only in eight States having Schedule areas as listed in the Fifth Schedule.
3. It is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme.

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

50. Consider the following statements regarding Urban Haats

1. It has been launched by Ministry of Culture
2. It aims to provide direct marketing facilities to the craft persons and weavers.

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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51. Consider the following statements regarding Annual study of state-level budgets released by RBI

1. Except during 2016-17, state governments have regularly met their fiscal deficit target of 3% of GDP
2. States now have a greater role to play in determining India's GDP than the Centre.
3. Most states ended up meeting the fiscal deficit target not by increasing their revenues but by reducing their expenditure

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

52. Consider the following statements regarding entrepreneurial intensity in India

1. A 10 per cent increase in registration of new firms per district-year yields an 18 per cent increase in GDDP (Gross Domestic District Product).

2. The peninsular states dominate entry of new firms and is restricted just to a few metropolitan cities.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

53. Consider the following statements regarding SENSEX growth and pro- business sentiments

1. The share of services sector in the total number of companies on the Sensex has changed from being negligible in the 1980s to the dominant status today.
2. The difference between the sizes of the largest and smallest firms is rapidly increasing.

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

54. Consider the following statements regarding Information Fusion Centre (IFC) for the Indian Ocean Region (IOR)

1. It was established to gather intelligence on the movement of enemy submarines
2. It also facilitates the exchange of information on "white shipping" with countries in the region to improve maritime domain awareness in the Indian Ocean.

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 Economic freedom

1. The Index of Economic Freedom is brought out by the Heritage Foundation.
2. The Global Economic Freedom Index is brought out by the Fraser Institute.

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

56. Consider the following statements regarding Essential Commodities Act (ECA), 1955

1. It controls the production, supply and distribution of, and trade and commerce in, certain goods such as vegetables, pulses, edible oils, sugar etc., which are treated as essential commodities.
2. The powers to implement the provisions of the Act are delegated to the States.
3. ECA interferes in agricultural marketing by disincentivizing investments in warehousing and storage facilities.

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

57. Consider the following statements regarding Green Crackers

1. The chemical formulation of green crackers produces water molecules, which substantially reduces emission levels and absorbs dust.
2. It promises a reduction in particulate matters and harmful gases, like nitrous oxide and sulfur oxide, by 90% per cent.

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 regarding India's Export scenario

1. Post the 1991 reforms, India's share in merchandise (goods) exports has decreased at around 13 per cent per annum.
2. On an average, Network Products accounts for about 42 per cent of world manufactured exports.
3. Network Products exports accounts for a very small share (10 per cent in 2018) in India's export basket.

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

59. Consider the following statements regarding Nationalization of banks

1. Public sector banks (PSBs) in India were formed through two waves of nationalizations, one in 1950 and the other in 1969.
2. After the nationalization, PSBs had a 91 per cent share in the national banking market.

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

60. *Mahamastakabhisheka*, a great religious event, is associated with and done for whom of the following?

- (a) Nataraja
- (b) Buddha
- (c) Mahavir
- (d) Bahubali

61. Consider the following statements regarding government receipts

1. Non tax revenue forms the largest share in government receipts.
2. In the tax revenues, GST and Corporation tax accounts for largest 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

62. Consider the following statements regarding subsidies in India

1. Subsidies account for around 24% of the total expenditure by government.
2. The expenditure on major subsidies is around 1.4 per cent of GDP in 2019-20.
3. Of the total subsidies, Food subsidies account for the largest share.

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

63. Consider the following statements regarding National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA) Project.

1. It is a Mission Mode Project (MMP) comes under the Digital India Programme.
2. The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MietY) is Nodal Ministry' for its implementation of the programme.
3. It aims to bring all the legislatures of the country together by technology.

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

64. Consider the following statements regarding import basket

1. China continues to be the largest exporter to India followed by USA, UAE and Saudi Arabia.
2. In the import basket of 2019-20, petroleum products had the largest share.
3. Between 2011-12 and 2019-20, imports of Electronics grew the fastest from a negligible share to 3.6 per cent of import basket.

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

65. With which of the following countries does India have trade deficit?

1. China
2. Saudi Arabia
3. UAE
4. Germany

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

66. Consider the following statements regarding Institutions of Eminence Scheme

1. This has been launched by University Grants Commission (UGC).
2. Under the scheme, there will be financial assistance to the private institutions based on their performance.
3. Under the scheme, selected institutions will have greater autonomy compared to other higher education institutions.

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

67. Consider the following statements regarding Net Services

1. An increase in service exports to GDP ratio has a net positive impact on the BoP position.
2. Over the years, service imports in relation to GDP has been steadily rising.
3. India's net services surplus has been steadily increasing in relation to GDP.

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

68. Consider the following statements regarding Net Remittances

1. The Migration Report 2019 released by the United Nations has placed India as the leading country of origin of international migrants in 2019.
2. According to a report of World Bank, India remained the top remittance recipient country in 2018 followed by 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

69. Consider the following statements regarding Price stabilization fund

1. It has been launched under APMC Act
2. It is Central Sector Scheme
3. It aims to support market interventions for price control of perishable agricultural commodities.

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

70. Which of the following is/are the reasons for downward trend in yield on G-Sec?

1. Change in monetary policy stance of the U.S. Fed.
2. Easing of liquidity condition of the banking system.
3. Transfer of RBI surplus to the Government.
4. Significant and sustained surplus liquidity.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

71. Consider the following statements regarding PRAGATI platform.

1. It has been launched by Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances
2. It is multi-modal platform for Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation of programmes and 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

72. Consider the following statements regarding India's progress towards SDGs

1. NITI Aayog has come up with a single measurable SDG index to track the progress of all the States and UTs.
2. The SDG score varies from 0 to 100. A score of 100 implies that the States/UTs have achieved the targets set for 2030.

3. India's growth trajectory for achieving SDG 10 (Reduced Inequality) and SDG 15 (Life on Land) is impressive as compared to the other SDGs.

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

73. The Kandangi saree recently got GI tag, belongs to the state of:

- (a) Karnataka
- (b) Tamil Nadu
- (c) Maharashtra
- (d) Andhra Pradesh

74. Consider the following statements regarding Food processing sector

1. The sector constituted as much as 8.83 per cent and 10.66 per cent of GVA in Manufacturing and Agriculture sector respectively.
2. The value of processed food exports during 2018-19 accounts for about 10 per cent of India's total exports.
3. The sector has been growing at an average annual growth rate of around 15 per cent.

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

75. Advance Pricing Agreements (APAs), sometime seen in the news, is related to
- Taxation
 - Allocation of spectrum and charges on consumer
 - Mine leasing agreement
 - Solar energy purchase by DISCOMS

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76. Consider the following statements regarding Satnami sect
- Satnami sect was founded by a saint named "Birbhan" in 1657 in Narnaul in Haryana.
 - The followers of this sect kept their heads shaven and abstained from liquor and meat.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

77. Consider the following statements regarding emission standards in India
- Vehicle emission norms were introduced in India in 1991 for petrol and in 1992 for diesel vehicles.
 - Euro norms are followed in India under the name Bharat Stage Emission Standards.
 - The standards and the timeline for implementation are set by the Central Pollution Control Board.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

78. Consider the following statements regarding Taj Trapezium Zone (TTZ)
- It is a defined area of 10,400 sq km around the Taj Mahal to protect the monument from pollution.
 - The TTZ comprises only two World Heritage Sites the Taj Mahal and Agra Fort.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

79. Global competitiveness index, sometime seen in the news, is published by

- OECD
- World Bank
- AiIB
- World Economic Forum

80. Consider the following statements regarding Categories of biofuels

- First-generation biofuels are made from sugar, starch, vegetable oil, or animal fats using conventional technology.
- Second generation biofuels are produced from non-food crops, such as cellulosic biofuels and waste biomass.
- Third generation biofuels are aimed at producing sustainable energy and also capturing and storing carbon dioxide.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

81. Consider the following statements regarding Gandhi Solar Park

1. It has been setup at Sabarmati Ashram.
2. The solar panels are powered up to reach the max of 50 KW of generation power.
3. As a symbolic effort, one panel at the park is dedicated each for every 193 UN Member State.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

82. Consider the following statements regarding Mahatma Gandhi National Fellowship Programme

1. It aims to address the challenge of non-availability of personnel for implementation of various programmes at national, state and district levels
2. It aims to increase the number of personnel available for MNREGA works
3. It is designed under the Ministry of Rural Development

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

83. Consider the following statements regarding Bamboonomics

1. It was launched by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
2. It is one of the tribal movement, to promote tribal enterprise.
3. It was launched for combating desertification and the climate change at COP 14 to the UNCCD.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

84. Consider the following statements regarding International Seed Treaty

1. It was adopted by Conference of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.
2. It aims at guaranteeing food security through the conservation, exchange and sustainable use of the world's plant genetic resources for food and agriculture (PGRFA).

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

85. A new type of El Nino called El Nino Modoki appeared in the news. In this context, consider the following statements:

1. Normal El Nino forms in the Central Pacific ocean whereas El Nino Modoki forms in Eastern Pacific ocean.
2. Normal El Nino results in diminished hurricanes in the Atlantic Ocean but El Nino Modoki results in a greater number of hurricanes with greater frequency.

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 Mission 175

1. Mission 175 is a global platform to explore strategies for development and deployment of renewables.
2. It is hosted by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE).

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 Bonn Convention

1. Conference of Parties (COP) 13 of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS) was organized by India at Chilika lake.
2. The mascot of the event was Gibi, The Great Indian Bustard.
3. The Indian sub-continent is part of the major bird flyway network, i.e, the Central Asian Flyway (CAF).

Which of the statement above is/are correct?

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

88. Consider the following Statements:

1. The boundaries of a National Park is fixed by state government
2. A Biosphere Reserve is declared to conserve a few specific species of flora and fauna.
3. In a Wildlife Sanctuary, limited biotic interference is permitted.

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

89. Consider the following statements regarding Tropical Forest Alliance 2020 (TFA 2020)

1. It is a multi-stakeholder partnership platform, initiated to support the implementation of private-sector commitments to remove deforestation from palm oil, beef, soy, and pulp and paper from their supply chains.
2. It is hosted by the World Economic Forum.
3. The Tropical Forest Alliance was founded in 2012 at Rio+20.

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

90. Which of the following regions have been identified as bloom hotspots

1. North Eastern Arabian Sea
2. Coastal waters off Kerala
3. Gulf of Mannar
4. Coastal waters of Gopalpur

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

91. Consider the following statements regarding Foreigners Tribunals

1. The foreigners tribunals are quasi-judicial bodies,
2. The powers to constitute foreigners tribunals are vested only with the Centre.

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 Nano Mission

1. The International Conference on Nano Science and Nano Technology (ICONSAT) was organized under the aegis of Nano Mission.
2. Nano Mission Council chaired by Prime Minister.
3. It is as an umbrella capacity-building programme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

93. Consider the following statements regarding Gadgil and Kasturi Rangan committees

1. The Kasturi Rangan report seeks to bring 67% of the Western Ghats under the Ecologically Sensitive Area (ESA) zones.
2. The Gadgil report seeks to bring 37% of the Western Ghats under the Ecologically Sensitive Area (ESA) zones.

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. Consider the following statements regarding India Urban Data Exchange (IUDX)

1. It has been launched under smart cities mission
2. It is being implemented by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation
3. It aims to enabling cities to harness full potential of the enormous data being generated in our smart cities.

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

95. Consider the following pairs of the Ramsar wetlands and the the states they belong to:

<i>Ramsar wetlands</i>	<i>State</i>
1. Bhoj Wetlands	: Madhya Pradesh
2. Chandertal Wetland	: Himachal Pradesh
3. Deepor Beel	: Assam
4. Surinsar-Mansar Lakes	: Jammu and Kashmir

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

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

- 96.** Houthis insurgents often seen in the news, are mainly found in
- Kenya
 - Saudi Arabia
 - Afghanistan
 - Yemen

- 97.** Consider the following statements regarding Census of Marine Life
- It is a 10-year international effort undertaken in to assess the diversity (how many different kinds), distribution (where they live), and abundance (how many) of marine life.
 - The census is supported by funding from Royal Institution in London.
 - The world's first comprehensive Census of Marine Life was released in 2020.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

- 98.** Consider the following statements regarding Sabka Vishwas Scheme
- It has been launched by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
 - It aims to provide basic amenities to vulnerable sections.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

- 99.** Which of the following is/are Natural world heritage sites of India?

- Great Nicobar National Park
- Kaziranga National Park
- Nanda Devi and Valley of Flowers National Parks
- Sundarbans National Park

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- 1, 2 and 3 only
- 2, 3 and 4 only
- 1, 3 and 4 only
- 1, 2, 3 and 4

- 100.** Consider the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Laghu Vyapari Maan-dhan Yojana:

- It is a voluntary and contribution based central sector scheme.
- All small shopkeepers, self-employed persons and retail traders aged between 18-40 years and with Goods and Service Tax turnover below Rs.1.5 crore can enroll for this scheme.
- Under this scheme, all beneficiaries eligible for a monthly pension of Rs 3000 after the age of 60.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

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