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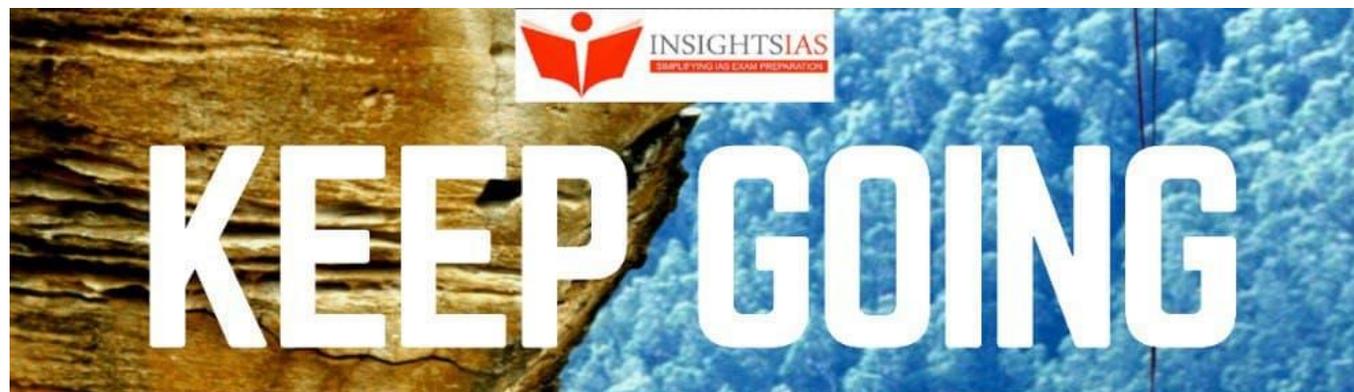


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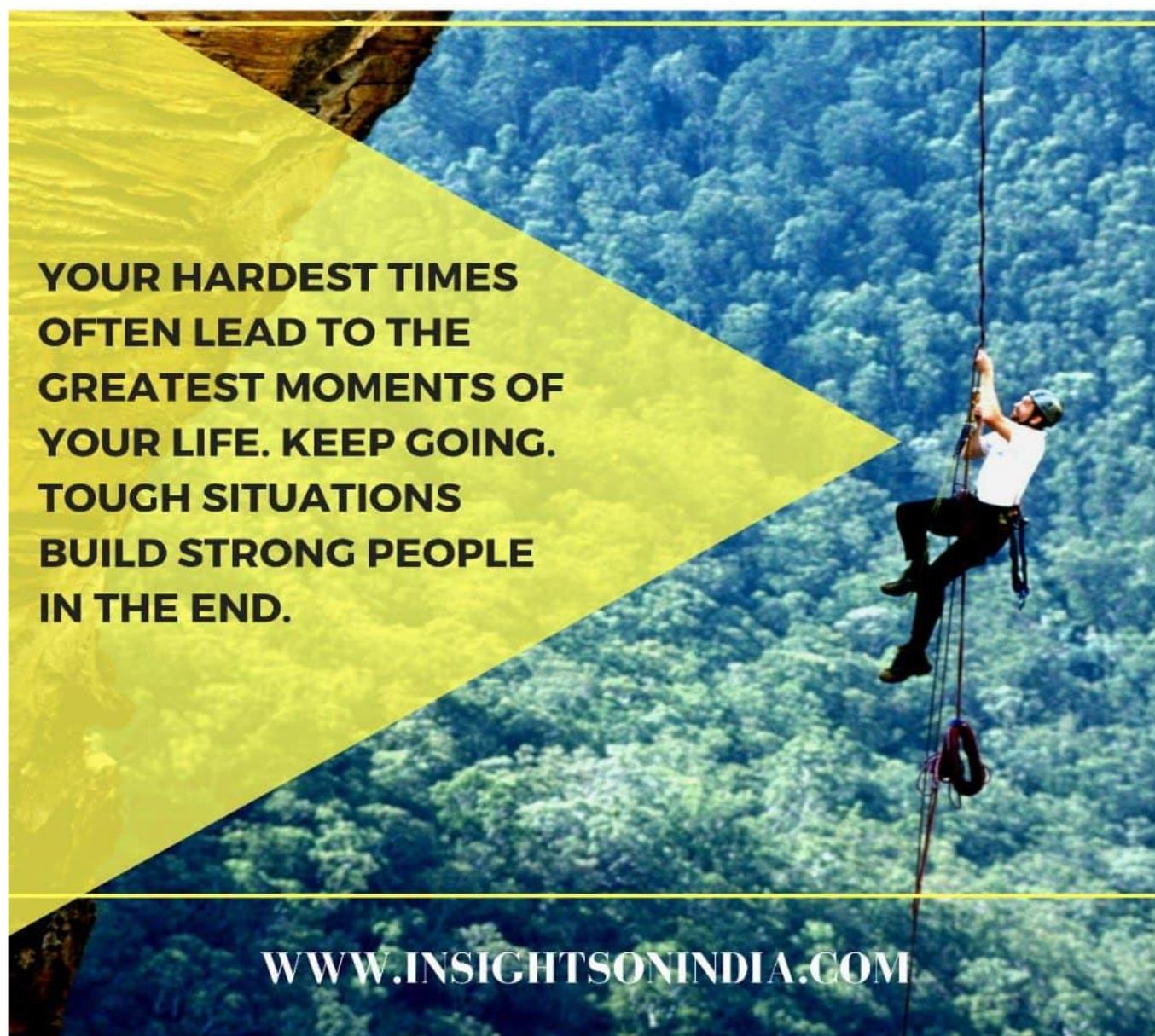
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AT TIMES, YOU MAY FAIL, YOU MAY FALL, YOU MAY GET DISHEARTENED. BUT KEEP GOING



# 1. Polity

- 1) Consider the following statements
1. Vice-President is a member and chairman of Council of States.
  2. Vice-President can be removed only through a formal impeachment process similar to that of President.
  3. Dr S. Radhakrishnan was elected as Vice President continuously for two terms.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 2) Consider the following statements.
1. The Constitution does not contain any procedure for the selection and appointment of the Prime Minister.
  2. Sometimes, the President can exercise his/her personal discretion in the selection and appointment of the Prime Minister.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 3) Consider the following statements.
1. According to the Constitution of India, The Governor shall from time to time summon the House or each House of the Legislature of the State to meet at such time and place as he thinks fit.
  2. The Governor always has to act on the aid and advice of the cabinet and cannot decide on his or her own on summoning the House.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 4) Consider the following statements
1. Council of Ministers are collectively responsible to the Parliament.
  2. Chairman of Rajya Sabha preside over a joint sitting of the two houses of the Parliament in the absence of Speaker.
  3. Resignation or death of an incumbent Chief Minister dissolves the Council of Ministers.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- c) 1 only
- d) 3 only

- 5) Speaker of the Lok Sabha is the chairman of which of the following committees?
1. Business Advisory Committee
  2. Rules Committee
  3. Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions
  4. Committee on Absence of Members from Sittings of the House

Select the correct answer code:

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

- 6) The representatives of union territory in the Rajya Sabha are
- a) Nominated by the President
  - b) Indirectly elected by members of an electoral college specially constituted for the purpose.
  - c) Nominated by the Union Territory (UT) Government
  - d) Not represented in the house

- 7) The term of the Lok Sabha can be extended under which of these circumstances?
1. When a national or financial emergency is in operation
  2. When a new government cannot be formed even after the completion of the term of the previous Lok Sabha
  3. When the Rajya Sabha approves so on a special recommendation made by the Prime Minister

Select the correct answer code:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2, 3
- c) 1, 2
- d) None of the above

- 8) The Constitution lays down which of the following qualifications for a person to be chosen a member of the state legislature:
1. He must be a citizen of India.
  2. He must be not less than 25 years of age in the case of the legislative council and legislative assembly.
  3. He must make and subscribe to an oath or affirmation before the person authorised by the Election Commission.

4. A person to be elected to the legislative assembly must be an elector for an assembly constituency in the concerned state.

Select the correct answer code:

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

9) When a bill is sent to the Governor after it is passed by state legislature, he can

- 1. Withhold his assent to the bill
- 2. Return the bill, including a money bill, for reconsideration of the state legislature
- 3. Reserve the bill for the consideration of the President

Select the correct answer code:

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

10) Which of the following schedules of the constitution gives a clear constitutional recognition to the existence of the system of "political parties" in India?

- a) Ninth Schedule
- b) Tenth Schedule
- c) Seventh Schedule
- d) Third Schedule

11) Every member of either House of Parliament, before taking his seat in the House, has to make and subscribe to an oath or affirmation before the

- a) President of India
- b) Presiding officer of the House
- c) Chief Justice of India
- d) Leader of the concerned party or coalition

12) Consider the following statements regarding Speaker Pro Tem.

- 1. She is elected by the Lok Sabha from amongst the members of the house.
- 2. She is responsible for chairing the meetings of Lok Sabha until the new elected Speaker becomes acquainted with the Parliamentary procedures.
- 3. The Speaker Pro Tem has all the powers of the Speaker.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 3 only
- b) 1, 2
- c) 1 only

d) None of the above

13) Which of the following are usually mentioned as arguments against having a second house in the State Legislature?

- 1. Unlike Rajya Sabha which has substantial powers to shape legislation, Legislative Councils lack the constitutional mandate to do so.
- 2. As regards Money bills, only fourteen days' delay can be caused by the Council, which is more or less a formality rather than a barrier in the way of Money Bill passed by the Assembly.

Select the correct answer code:

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

14) Consider the following statements.

- 1. The Constitution requires that a person must prove his majority in the legislative assembly before he is appointed as the Chief Minister.
- 2. Only a person who is a member of the legislative assembly can be appointed as Chief Minister.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

15) Consider the following statements.

- 1. The Tenth Schedule was inserted into Constitution in 1985 by 42nd Amendment Act.
- 2. The anti-defection law allows the Speaker/Chairperson to disqualify such a member who goes against the voting directions of the whip.
- 3. Anti-defection law provides stability to the government by preventing shifts of party allegiance.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

16) Consider the following statements regarding appointment of Supreme Court judges.

1. The Chief Justice of India and the Judges of the Supreme Court are appointed by the President of India.
2. Whenever there is any doubt about the senior most Judge to hold the office of the Chief Justice of India, the matter is decided by the Parliament.
3. For appointing Judges of the Supreme Court, the recommendation of collegium to the President is binding during first instance.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

17) Consider the following statements regarding mandamus.

1. In India, the Supreme Court and High courts can issue prerogative writs under Article 32 of the Constitution.

2. The writ of mandamus cannot be issued unless the legal duty is of public nature, and to whose performance the applicant of the writ has a legal right.

3. Mandamus cannot be granted against the President or Governor of a State.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

18) Which of the following statements is/are incorrect regarding Judicial Review?

1. Indian Constitution confers the power of judicial review to Supreme Court only.

2. The purpose of the judicial review is to review constitutional amendments only.

3. Judicial review is not a part of the basic structure of the constitution.

Select the correct answer code:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2, 3
- c) 1, 2, 3
- d) None of the above

19) Consider the following with reference to the impeachment of a high court judge.

1. The procedure for the impeachment of a judge of a high court is the same as that for a judge of the Supreme Court.

2. The Speaker or Chairman of the house may refuse to admit a motion for the impeachment of a high court judge.

3. No judge of a high court has been impeached so far.

4. Only the Chief Justice of India can pass the final order for the removal of a high court judge post-impeachment.

Select the correct answer code:

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

20) The High Court defends

1. Fundamental rights
2. Constitutional rights
3. Statutory rights

Select the correct answer code:

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

21) Consider the following statements regarding Review Petition.

1. According to the Indian Constitution, the Supreme Court has the power to review any of its judgments or orders.

2. Any person aggrieved by a ruling can seek a review.

3. The court exercises its discretion to allow a review petition only when it shows the grounds for seeking the review.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

22) With reference to the power of judicial review of high courts, consider the following statements

1. High court can review the laws enacted by state legislatures only and not the ones enacted by the Parliament.

2. High court cannot interpret the Constitution while reviewing any law or order passed by the government, as Supreme Court is the sole interpreter of 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

23) Consider the following statements.

1. The writ jurisdiction of the high court is not exclusive but concurrent with the writ jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.
2. Writ jurisdiction of both the high court and the Supreme Court constitute a part of the basic structure of the Constitution.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

24) A judge of the Supreme Court can be removed from his Office by an order of the president after an address by Parliament has been presented to him in the same session for such removal supported by

- a) Special majority in Lok Sabha only
- b) Absolute majority in both Houses of Parliament
- c) Simple majority in each house of Parliament approved by the Presiding officer of the House
- d) Special majority in both Houses of Parliament

25) The Constitution has made which of the following provisions to safeguard and ensure the independent and impartial functioning of the Supreme Court?

1. The judges of the Supreme Court are provided with the Security of Tenure.
2. Their service conditions cannot be changed to their disadvantage after their appointment even during a financial emergency.
3. The salaries, allowances and pensions of judges cannot be discussed and are non-votable by the Parliament.

Select the correct answer code:

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

26) The powers and the independence of the Indian judiciary allow it to act as the guardian of Indian democracy. What are these powers?

1. Anyone can approach the higher judiciary if public interest is hurt by the actions of government.

2. Higher Judiciary can issue directives to check malpractices on the part of public officials.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

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Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

28) Consider the following statements about Leader of the House.

1. The term Leader of the House has been defined in the Constitution of India.
2. Leader of the House, *in the Lok Sabha is the prime Minister by default, if he is a Member of that House.*
3. *The Leader of the Lok Sabha never sits in the Business advisory Committee.*

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

29) Consider the following statements.

1. National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) can take suo motu cognisance and issue notices to central ministries, states and Union Territories on the issue of public health infrastructure in the country.

2. Right to live with human dignity is part of Right to Life and it is the Constitutional duty of the Central/State Governments to ensure that Right to Life is guaranteed.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

30) The practice of "Fiscal Federalism" in India involves

- a) Distribution of financial powers between Centre and States
- b) Devolution of central pool to states
- c) Setting up of Finance Commission every five years
- d) All of the above

31) Which of the following directives is/are outside the Part IV of the Indian Constitution?

- 1. Claims of SC and ST to public services
- 2. Instruction in mother tongue to linguistic minority children
- 3. Development of the Hindi Language

Select the correct answer codes:

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

32) Consider the following statements.

- 1. Each village, demarcated as per the Census, must have its own dedicated Gram Sabha and Gram Panchayat.
- 2. Anyone who is eligible to vote in Lok Sabha elections from a particular village can also vote in Gram Panchayat elections.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

33) What was/were the essential changes brought by the 73<sup>rd</sup> constitutional amendment Act in the Panchayati Raj system in India?

- 1. Panchayats were created by Act as they did not exist in Independent India.
- 2. Panchayati Raj System received constitutional status.
- 3. It fixed the size of Panchayats and granted executive power to the panchayats.

Select the correct answer code:

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

34) A State Legislature may provide for the representation of which of the following persons in a municipality?

- 1. MLAs or MPs eligible to get elected from the municipal area
- 2. Teachers and graduates living within the municipal area

3. Persons having special knowledge or experience in municipal administration

Select the correct answer code:

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

35) With reference to the 'Cantonment' boards, which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. It is established for municipal administration for civilian population in the cantonment area.
- 2. It works under the administrative control of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

Select the correct answer code:

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

36) The 97th constitutional amendment act

- 1. Gave a constitutional status and protection to cooperative societies
- 2. Made the right to form co-operative societies a fundamental right under Article 19
- 3. Included a new Directive Principle of State Policy on promotion of co-operative societies

Select the correct answer code:

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

37) The subject of 'urban local government' in Union Territories (UT) is dealt by the

- a) Union Ministry of Minority Affairs
- b) Union Ministry of Home Affairs
- c) Union Ministry of Defence
- d) Union Ministry of Urban Development

38) A State can be designated into a Union Territory (UT) through

- a) by an executive order of the President
- b) by a law enacted by the Parliament
- c) by a constitutional amendment made by Parliament and agreed by the President
- d) by a resolution passed by the Legislatures of the concerned states and assented to by the President

39) The Governor is authorised to

1. Direct that any particular Act of Parliament or of the Legislature of the State shall not apply to a Scheduled Area or apply with modifications
2. Make regulations to prohibit or restrict the transfer of land by or among members of the Scheduled Tribes

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

40) Consider the following statements:

1. The Tribes Advisory Councils have been constituted only in the Scheduled Areas States.
2. It shall be the duty of the Tribes Advisory Council to advise on such matters pertaining to the welfare and advancement of the Scheduled Tribes in the State as may be referred to them by the Chief Minister of concerned state.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

41) Consider the following pairs.

- |                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| Union Territory        |   |
| Name of the High Court |   |
| 1. Andaman and Nicobar | : |
| Madras High Court      |   |
| Islands                |   |
| 2. Lakshadweep Islands | : |
| Kerala High Court      |   |
| 3. Daman and Diu       | : |
| Gujarat High Court     |   |

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

42) Consider the following statements.

1. The Constitution gives the President of India the power to address either House or a joint sitting of the two Houses of Parliament.
2. When the Constitution came into force, the President was required to address each session of Parliament.

3. The 42<sup>nd</sup> Amendment of the Constitution made that the President shall address both Houses of Parliament only once a year.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

43) Consider the following statements regarding Public Account of India.

1. Public Account of India accounts for flows for those transactions where the Union government acts as a banker.
2. It includes state provident funds and small savings deposits.
3. Expenditures from Public Account of India require the approval of the parliament.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

44) Consider the following statements regarding National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC).

1. National Commission for Backward Classes is a non-constitutional body under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
2. The commission was the outcome of Indra Sawhney & Ors. Vs. Union of India.
3. The commission considers inclusions in and exclusions from the lists of communities notified as backward for the purpose of job reservations.
4. The commission have the same powers as a Civil Court.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

45) Consider the following statements regarding Puducherry Legislative Assembly.

1. The Puducherry Legislative Assembly is the unicameral legislature.
2. The members of the legislative assembly are both elected directly by the people on the basis of universal adult franchise and nominated by the Government of India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only

- c) Both 1 and 2  
d) Neither 1 nor 2

46) Consider the following statements regarding Law Commission of India.

1. The Law Commission of India is a statutory body constituted by the Government of India from time to time.
2. The commission is re-constituted every five years.
3. The Law Commission shall suo-motu, undertake research in law and review of existing laws in India.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- a) 1, 2  
b) 1, 3  
c) 2, 3  
d) None of the above

47) Consider the following statements.

1. The absentee voter refers to a vote cast by someone who is unable to go to the polling station.
2. The power to include any category of persons like disabled and people over 80 years of age in the absentee voter list lies with the Election Commission of India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

48) Consider the following statements regarding Urban local bodies.

1. Since the enactment of 74th Constitution Amendment Act, elections to urban local bodies is held once in every five years in all states in India.
2. As per the amended Municipal Corporation Act of 1888, Mayors are directly elected by the people in all states.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

49) Consider the following statements regarding Star campaigner.

1. Only a recognised political party can have a Star campaigner.
2. The list of star campaigners has to be communicated to the Chief Electoral Officer and Election Commission within a week from the date of notification of an election.

3. Only President can remove the leaders from the political party's list of star campaigners. Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

50) The Vice-president of India is elected by the electoral college consisting of

1. Elected Members of the Parliament.
2. Nominated Members of the Parliament.
3. Elected Members of State Legislative Assemblies

Select the correct answer code:

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

51) Consider the following statements about Election Commission of India.

1. Election Commission of India is a permanent Constitutional Body.
2. The Chief Election Commissioner can be removed from office only through impeachment by Parliament.
3. If elections are being held only for the State Legislature, the expenditure is borne entirely by the concerned State.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

52) Consider the following statements.

1. The Official language of an Indian state is confined to the languages listed in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution.
2. The Constitution specifies the official language of different states.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

53) Consider the following statements about the Civil Services created by the Constitution of India.

1. An officer of All-India services cannot be dismissed by any authority in India other than the President of India.

2. A civil servant cannot be dismissed or removed by an authority subordinate to that by which he was appointed.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

54) Consider the following statements

1. Article 341 of the Constitution provides certain privileges and concessions to the members of Scheduled Castes.
2. President alone is vested with the power to include or exclude any entry in the Scheduled Castes (SC) list.
3. There is provision for the reservation of Scheduled Castes both in the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

55) Which of these constitutional provisions secure the independence of certain Constitutional bodies from the government?

1. Security of tenure
2. Fixed service conditions
3. Expenses being charged on the Consolidated Fund of India

Select the correct answer code:

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

56) Which of the following bodies have the leader of the opposition in Rajya Sabha, in their appointment committees?

- a) The National Human Rights Commission
- b) The Central Vigilance Commission
- c) The Central Information Commission
- d) CEO of NITI Aayog

57) Consider the following statements.

1. It is the primary duty of the State under Article 47 of the Constitution to raise the level of nutrition and standard of living of its people.
2. Article 47 also makes provision for Prohibition of consumption except for medicinal purposes of intoxicating drinks and of other drugs which are injurious to health.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

58) Parliament can make laws on the subjects enumerated in the state list to give effect to international agreements, treaties and conventions with

- a) Consent of the states concerned
- b) Consent of majority of the states
- c) Consent of all the states
- d) Without the consent of any state

59) Consider the following statements regarding Emergency Provisions in Indian Constitution

1. All types of emergency proclaimed by the President has to be approved by the Parliament.
2. Financial emergency is in operation indefinitely till the President revokes it
3. In the case of National emergency, approval of half of the state's legislature and Parliament is required.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

60) Consider the following statements regarding *Privilege motion*.

1. It can be moved only in the Lok Sabha.
2. Any notice should be relating to an incident of recent occurrence.
3. The Speaker is the first level of scrutiny of a privilege motion.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

61) Consider the following statements regarding Demands for Grants.

1. The demands for grants are presented to the Lok Sabha along with the Annual Financial Statement.
2. Regarding Union Territories without Legislature, a separate demand is presented for each of such Union Territories.
3. The voting of demands for grants has to be done by Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha separately.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1, 2

- b) 2, 3
- c) 1, 3
- d) 1, 2, 3

62) Consider the following statements regarding Public Interest Litigation (PIL).

1. In a PIL, there is no determination on adjudication of individual rights.
2. It helps in expanding the meaning of fundamental right to equality, life and personal liberty.

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) How do pressure groups influence governance in India?

1. Contesting in political elections by fielding their candidates
2. Influencing policies by lobbying for them

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

64) Consider the following statements regarding Cabinet Secretariat

1. It functions directly under the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.
2. The Cabinet Secretary is the ex-officio Chairman of the Civil Services Board.
3. It is responsible for facilitating smooth transaction of business in Ministries/ Departments.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

65) Article 310 and Article 311 of the constitution, sometimes seen in news, are concerned with

- a) Election to Rajya Sabha
- b) President's power of pardoning
- c) Instruction in Mother tongue
- d) Service conditions of Civil Services

66) With regards to media, election and political rights, consider the following statements.

1. Media persons are given special passes to enter polling stations to cover the poll

process and the counting halls during the actual counting of votes.

2. All recognised National and State parties are allowed free access to the state owned electronic media scale for their campaigns for a certain duration during elections.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

67) Which of the following terms has/have not been defined in the constitution?

- a) Procedure Established by Law
- b) Union Territory
- c) Agricultural Income
- d) Securities or stock

68) Which of the provisions of the constitution provide for the secular character of the Indian State?

1. The Preamble secures to all citizens of India liberty of belief, faith and worship.
2. No person shall be compelled to pay any taxes for the promotion of a particular religion.
3. The State shall endeavour to secure for all the citizens a Uniform Civil Code.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

69) The principle of absolute liability, as considered by the apex court, is a part of

- a) Article 14 (equality before law)
- b) Article 19 (freedom of expression)
- c) Article 21 (right to life)
- d) Article 22 (right against exploitation)

70) The Directive Principles resemble the 'Instrument of Instructions' enumerated in the

- a) Government of India Act of 1935
- b) Montague Chelmsford Act 1919
- c) Objectives Resolution, 1946
- d) Government of India Act of 1918

71) Consider the following statements

1. The original constitution did not provide for the fundamental duties of the citizens.
2. Rights and duties of the citizens are co-relative and inseparable

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- a) 1 only

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

72) The procedure for the amendment of the Constitution as laid down in Article 368 includes

1. An amendment of the Constitution can be initiated only in the Lok Sabha.
2. Concerned bill must be introduced by a minister.
3. Prior Presidential recommendation is not necessary to introduce the bill.

Select the correct answer code:

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

73) Which of the following is not a part of the 'basic structure' of the constitution?

- a) Freedom and dignity of the individual
- b) Effective access to justice
- c) Panchayati Raj Institutions
- d) The concept of social and economic justice

74) Which of the following is/are the features of Parliamentary Form of government?

1. Collective responsibility of the executive to the President.
2. Dissolution of the lower House
3. Membership of the ministers in the legislature
4. Presence of nominal and real executives

Select the correct answer code:

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

The Constitution establishes the parliamentary system not only at the Centre but also in the states. The features of parliamentary government in India are:

- (a) Presence of nominal and real executives;
- (b) Majority party rule,
- (c) Collective responsibility of the executive to the legislature.
- (d) Membership of the ministers in the legislature,
- (e) Leadership of the prime minister or the chief minister,
- (f) Dissolution of the lower House (Lok Sabha or Assembly).

75) The Constitution of India establishes a federal system of government. It contains most of the usual features of a federation, but also of a unitary system. Which of the following signify the later?

1. Division of powers between Central and State governments
2. Flexibility of the Constitution
3. Independent Judiciary
4. All-India Services

Select the correct answer code:

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

76) 'Constitutional Emergency' is declared when

- a) Constitutional machinery in a state(s) of India has failed
- b) External aggression or armed rebellion has been declared against the State of India
- c) Council of Ministers is dissolved without the possibility of formation of an interim government at the center.
- d) Any of the above occurs

77) Attorney General's consent is mandatory for initiating contempt of court in which of the following circumstances?

1. When a private citizen wants to initiate a case of contempt of court against a person.
2. When the Supreme court want to initiate a contempt of court case.

Select the correct answer code:

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

78) Consider the following statements regarding Article 32 of the Indian Constitution.

1. Article 32 affirms the right to move the Supreme Court for the enforcement of the rights conferred in Part III of the Indian Constitution.
2. The right guaranteed under Article 32 is absolute and shall not be suspended.
3. An individual approaching the High Court under Article 226 for the violation of fundamental rights is itself a fundamental right.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

## 2. Economy

79) Consider the following statements regarding the Sessions of Parliament in India.

1. India does have a fixed parliamentary calendar and meets for three sessions in a year.
2. Usually the Budget session has the longest period.
2. The summoning of Parliament is based on the provisions of the Government of India Act, 1935.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

80) Consider the following statements.

1. According to the Constitution of India, The Governor shall from time to time summon the House or each House of the Legislature of the State to meet at such time and place as he thinks fit.
2. The Governor always has to act on the aid and advice of the cabinet and cannot decide on his or her own on summoning the House.

Which of the above statements 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 President's rule that is imposed under Article 356 of the Constitution.

1. It cannot be imposed without the written recommendation of the Governor of the concerned state.
2. Every proclamation of President's rule must be approved by both the houses of Parliament within a stipulated time.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 1) If the total size of the economy is growing year after year, it implies that
  1. GDP growth rate must be increasing steadily year after year.
  2. Gross Capital formation in the economy must be increasing year after year.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

- 2) Consider the following statements regarding Incremental Capital-Output Ratio (ICOR).

1. The incremental capital output ratio (ICOR) denotes the relationship between the level of investment made in the economy and the consequent increase in the gross domestic product (GDP).

2. The higher the ICOR, the higher the productivity of capital.

3. In the last ten years, the ICOR has seen substantial decline in India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 3) Which of the following expenditure by the Government are considered as Transfer payments?

1. Universal Basic Income.
2. Subsidies paid to farmers
3. Conditional cash transfers

Select the correct answer code:

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

- 4) Which of the following is/are part of the Personal Disposable Income?

1. Non-tax Payments such as fines
2. Corporate Tax.
3. Personal Tax Payments.
4. Net Interest payments made by households

Select the correct answer code:

- a) 1, 2, 4
- b) 3 only
- c) 1, 2, 3, 4

d) None of the above

- 5) Consider the following statements regarding GDP deflator.
1. GDP deflator is a measure of the level of prices of all new, domestically produced, final goods and services in an economy in a year.
  2. Unlike the CPI, the GDP deflator is not based on a fixed basket of goods and services.
  3. When GDP deflator is negative, it necessarily means that there is inflation in the economy.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 6) With reference to the government expenditure in India, which of the following constitutes Transfer Payments?

1. The payments which are made by the government to its employees.
2. The Interest payments made to foreign countries on loans taken.
3. The payments which are made as financial aid in a social welfare programme.

Select the correct answer code:

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

- 7) Consider the following statements regarding Off-budget borrowing.

1. Off-budget borrowings are loans taken by any public institution on the directions of the central government.
2. Off-budget borrowing helps keep the country's fiscal deficit within acceptable limits.
3. Off-budget financing is not part of the calculation of the fiscal indicators and does not have any fiscal implications.
4. Public sector banks can fund off-budget expenses.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 8) Consider the following statements regarding Anti-Dumping Duty.

1. An anti-dumping duty is a protectionist tariff that a domestic government imposes on foreign imports that it believes are priced below fair market value.

2. In India, Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR), under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry conducts anti-dumping investigations. Which of the above statements 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 Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs).

1. All the NBFCs are regulated by RBI.
2. The designation of 'Systematically Important' is applicable for Banks and not for NBFCs.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 10) Teaser loan, sometimes seen in news means

- a) Loans provided to high net worth individuals.
- b) Loans provided to weaker sections of the society with interest rate below the repo rate.
- c) Loans which charge lower rates of interest in the first few years after which the rates are increased.
- d) None of the above

- 11) A share repurchase or buyback is a decision by a company to purchase its own stock from the market. Such a move may lead to

1. It reduces the number of outstanding shares of the company.
2. It tends to increase the price of remaining shares.
3. It is often undertaken when the company's shares are undervalued.

Select the correct answer code:

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

- 12) Consider the following statements regarding Monetary Policy.

1. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) is vested with the responsibility of conducting monetary

policy under the provisions of Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.

2. The primary objective of monetary policy is to maintain price stability and achieve growth.

3. The inflation target is set by the Reserve Bank of India in consultation with Government of India, once in every five years.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

13) Which of the following are regulated by Reserve Bank of India (RBI)?

- 1. Stock-exchanges
- 2. Merchant Banking Companies
- 3. Venture Capital Fund Companies

Select the correct answer code:

- a) 1 only
- b) 1, 2
- c) 1, 3
- d) None of the above

14) Consider the following statements regarding Angel Investors.

1. Angel Investors are high-net-worth individuals, who generally buy back failed firms for asset restructuring.

2. The funds angel investors provide may be a one-time investment to help the business propel or an ongoing injection of money to support and carry the company.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

15) Hard currency is usually preferred because

1. It is seen as politically and economically stable.

2. It is widely accepted around the world as a form of payment for goods and services.

3. It is not likely to depreciate or appreciate suddenly.

Select the correct answer code:

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

16) Consider the following statements.

1. RBI primarily factors in retail inflation while making its bi-monthly monetary policy.

2. A broad-based domestic and global economic recovery can lead to rise in inflation.

Which of the above statements 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 GDP deflator.

1. The GDP deflator is basically a measure of inflation.

2. It helps show the extent to which the increase in gross domestic product has happened on account of higher prices rather than increase in output.

3. It covers only those goods and services directly consumed by households.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

18) Which of the following may lead to Inflation?

1. A reduction in the total productive capacity of the economy even as more and more people are employed

2. Oversupply of goods in the economy.

Select the correct answer code:

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

19) High disguised unemployment will necessarily result from

1. A very high level of unemployment

2. A small number of people engaged in primary sector

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

20) Suppose a small canteen owner actually needs only two workers to carry out his business, but if his entire family of five members are involved in running the business, then this situation is known as

- a) Disguised unemployment
- b) Structural unemployment
- c) Cyclic unemployment
- d) Frictional unemployment

21) The actual liabilities of the Union government include which of the following

1. Borrowings by PSUs
2. Loans taken for the recapitalisation of banks
3. Capital expenditures of various Ministries.

Select the correct answer code:

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

22) Which of the following are considered as tax revenue for the Union Government?

1. Personal income tax
2. Excise Duty
3. Dividends on investments
4. Income through Spectrum Auctions

Select the correct answer code:

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

23) Consider the following statements.

1. Disinvestment involves Selling minority shares of Public Enterprises, to public or private entity.
2. When the government sells majority shares in a public sector entity, that is strategic disinvestment.
3. Under strategic disinvestment, the government transfers the ownership and control of a public sector entity to another public entity and the private sector is not involved here.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1, 3
- b) 1, 2
- c) 2, 3
- d) 1 only.

24) Consider the following statements regarding zero-coupon bond.

1. A zero-coupon bond is a debt security that not pay interest but instead trades at a deep discount, rendering a profit at maturity, when the bond is redeemed for its full-face value.
2. These are special types of bonds issued only by the Central government specifically to a particular institution.

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) Consider the following statements.

1. Indian tax revenues remain largely dependent on direct tax collections.
2. Among the Revenue expenditure made by the Centre, the Interest payments constitute the lowest share.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

26) Consider the following statements regarding Imported Inflation.

1. When the general price level rises in a country because of the rise in prices of imported commodities, inflation is termed as imported.
2. The weakening of the domestic currency may lead to imported inflation 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

27) Which among the following is/are likely to result in current account surplus of Balance of Payments (BoP)?

1. Steep fall in global crude oil prices
2. Increase in the remittances received from abroad.
3. External commercial borrowing

Select the correct answer code:

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

28) Which of the following best describes 'Anti-Dumping' duty?

- a) a protectionist tariff imposed on foreign imports that are priced below fair market value.
- b) an import tax imposed on certain goods in order to prevent piracy.
- c) tax imposed on the import of the goods pertaining to core industrial sectors.
- d) None of the statements a, b and c are correct.

29) Consider the following statements regarding Current account convertibility.

1. Current account convertibility means freedom to convert domestic currency into foreign currency and vice versa for trade in goods and invisibles.
2. Under current account convertibility for rupee, an exporter can sell the foreign currency he obtained from exporting a commodity at the market determined exchange rate in India.
3. There is partial Current account convertibility in India, so as to limit imports into the country.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

30) The Agreement on Trade-Related Investment Measures (TRIMs), is related to

- a) Current Account Convertibility
- b) Domestic regulations a country applies to foreign investors
- c) Most-favoured Nation principle
- d) Duty free International market access to developing countries

31) Consider the following statements.

1. India is the largest producer and consumer of pulses in the world.
2. Though pulses are grown in both Kharif and Rabi seasons, Kharif pulses contribute more than 60 per cent of the total production.
3. Gram constitutes a major share in the total production of pulses in India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

32) Consider the following statements regarding Zero budget natural farming (ZBNF).

1. Zero budget natural farming (ZBNF) is a method of chemical free agriculture drawing from traditional Indian practices.
2. ZBNF method uses intensive irrigation and deep ploughing.
3. ZBNF method promotes soil aeration, intercropping, bunds and topsoil mulching.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2, 3

- c) 1, 3
- d) 1, 2, 3

33) Consider the following statements regarding Conservation Agriculture (CA).

1. Conservation Agriculture (CA) is a farming system that can prevent losses of arable land while regenerating degraded lands.
2. External inputs such as agrochemicals are not applied so that it does not disrupt the biological processes.
3. It includes crop-livestock integration and the integration of trees and pastures into agricultural landscapes.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

34) Nuclear science is being utilized in which of the following areas of agriculture in India?

1. Development of high yielding crop seeds
2. Fertilizer and pesticide related studies
3. Radiation processing of food items

Select the correct answer code:

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

35) Consider the following statements regarding Wheat Cultivation in India.

1. Wheat can be grown in the tropical and sub-tropical zones and it cannot tolerate severe cold and snow.
2. Soils with a clay loam or loam texture and moderate water holding capacity are ideal for wheat cultivation.
3. Punjab is the largest Wheat producing state of India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

36) Deposit insurance and credit guarantee corporation (DICGC) a wholly owned subsidiary of Reserve Bank of India insures which of the following deposits?

1. Local Area Banks
2. Payment Banks
3. Small Finance Banks
4. Inter-bank deposits

## 5. Regional Rural Banks

Select the correct answer code:

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

37) Printing currency is usually the last resort for the government in managing its deficit. This is because

1. Government expenditure using this new money boosts incomes and raises private demand in the economy, thus leading to inflation.
2. Excess supply of rupee will cause its depreciation.

Select the correct answer code:

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

38) If the Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) is increased, it may lead to which of the following?

1. Lesser availability of loanable funds with the banks
2. Immediate foreign institutional investment flows in the economy
3. Reduction in fiscal deficit of the government

Select the correct answer code:

- a) 1 only
- b) 1, 2
- c) 1, 3
- d) None of the above

39) Consider the following statements regarding Currency Deposit Ratio (CDR).

1. CDR is calculated only with respect to the Term deposits.
2. It reflects people's preference for liquidity.
3. It generally increases during the festive season.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

40) Consider the following statements regarding the Marginal Standing Facility (MSF).

1. MSF functions as the last resort for banks to borrow short-term funds over and above that available under the Liquidity Adjustment Facility Window (LAF).

2. MSF is an extraordinary rate at which banks can borrow money from the central bank at a much cheaper rate than repo rate.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

41) When the Reserve Bank of India increases the repo rate by 50 basis points, which of the following is likely to happen?

1. India's GDP growth rate increases drastically
2. Foreign Institutional Investors may bring more capital into our country
3. Scheduled Commercial Banks may increase their lending rates

Select the correct answer code:

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

42) In economics, the monetary base includes:

1. Total currency circulating in the public.
2. Currency that is physically held in the vaults of commercial banks.
3. Sum total of the capital of all financial institutions regulated by Central Bank.
4. Commercial banks' reserves held in the central bank.

Select the correct answer code:

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

43) Which of the following are RBI's main risk provision accounts?

1. Contingency Fund
2. Currency and Gold Revaluation Account (CGRA)
3. Investment Revaluation Account Foreign Securities (IRA-FS)
4. Investment Revaluation Account-Rupee Securities (IRA-RS)

Select the correct answer code:

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

44) Which of the following statements is correct regarding Accommodative monetary policy?

- a) Central banks reduce the money supply to keep inflation under control  
 b) Central banks expand the money supply to boost the economy  
 c) Central banks increase the interest rates frequently  
 d) None of the above
- 45) With reference to RBI's role in the economy, consider the following statements.  
 1. RBI lends borrowers who cannot avail credit through formal banking channels or SHGs.  
 2. RBI can help banks in matters of insolvency and defaults.  
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 a) 1 only  
 b) 2 only  
 c) Both 1 and 2  
 d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 46) Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT), sometimes seen in news is under which ministry  
 a) Ministry of External Affairs  
 b) Ministry of Commerce and Industry  
 c) Ministry of Finance  
 d) Ministry of Home Affairs
- 47) Consider the following statements regarding Labour Bureau.  
 1. Labour Bureau is the data and survey wing of the union ministry of Commerce and Industry.  
 2. Labour Bureau aims to achieve in producing quality data on rural, agriculture and industrial workers.  
 3. The foundations of Labour Bureau can be traced to the Royal Commission on Labour setup before India's Independence.  
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 a) 1, 2  
 b) 1, 3  
 c) 2, 3  
 d) 1, 2, 3
- 48) Consider the following statements.  
 1. Presently no item is reserved for exclusive manufacture by Micro and Small Industries (MSE) Sector.  
 2. The industries reserved for manufacture of items exclusively in the Public Sector are limited only to Railways and atomic energy in India.  
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 a) 1 only
- b) 2 only  
 c) Both 1 and 2  
 d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 49) Which of these can be categorized as "capital goods industries"?  
 1. Engineering goods  
 2. Textiles  
 3. Financial Services Industry  
 4. Construction and mining equipment industry  
 Select the correct answer code:  
 a) 1, 4  
 b) 2, 3  
 c) 1, 2, 3  
 d) 2, 4
- 50) Consider the following statements.  
 1. The classification of Organised and unorganized sector in India is mainly based on employment conditions.  
 2. The classification of primary, secondary and tertiary sectors are based mainly on intensity of resource usage.  
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 a) 1 only  
 b) 2 only  
 c) Both 1 and 2  
 d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 51) Consider the following statements.  
 1. The first Five Year Plan was based on the ideas of Mahalanobis, which laid down the basic ideas regarding goals of Indian planning.  
 2. The Second Five Year Plan tried to build the basis for a socialist pattern of society.  
 3. In the first seven five-year plans, trade was characterised by import substitution strategy.  
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 a) 1, 2  
 b) 1, 3  
 c) 2, 3  
 d) 1, 2, 3
- 52) Consider the following statements regarding Five Year Plans in India.  
 1. The duration of plan holiday was from 1966 to 1969.  
 2. "Garibi Hatao" slogan was given during Fifth Five Year Plan.  
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?  
 a) 1 only  
 b) 2 only

- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2

53) Which of the following were the goals of the planning system in India between 1950-1990?

1. Export promotion
2. Industrialization
3. Self-reliance
4. Equity

Select the correct answer code:

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

54) India's growth's story from the eve of Independence to the liberalization phase is largely termed as 'Hindu rate of growth'. What it refers to?

- a) Non inclusive growth story of India before 1990's liberalization.
- b) Religious belief of the successive government right from the independence.
- c) Irrational developmental agenda driven by majoritarian society.
- d) The phenomenon of sluggishness in growth rate of Indian economy before 1990's.

55) Which of the following is not a valid argument for advocating 'free trade' for a developing economy?

- a) It results in more efficient allocation of resources internationally.
- b) It improves competition and reduces domestic monopoly in goods and services.
- c) It allows exporters to reap economies of scale.
- d) It creates a level-playing field between developing and developed economies.