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1. Economy

1) Consider the following statements regarding the Importance of Fiscal Policy in India.

1. Fiscal policy plays a key role in elevating the rate of capital formation both in the public and private sectors.
2. Fiscal policy aims to minimise the imbalance in the dispersal of income and wealth.
3. Fiscal policy helps in providing stimulus to elevate the savings rate.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

2) Consider the following statements.

1. Primary deficit implies that the government is unable to contain recurring expenditure such as subsidies and other discretionary expenditures within the limits of recurring non-debt revenue.
2. Increasing primary deficit will lead to higher revenue deficit and unsustainable debt servicing in future.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

3) Consider the following statements regarding Credit-deposit ratio.

1. Credit-deposit ratio of a bank is an indicator of how much a bank lends out of its deposits or how much of its core funds are used for lending.
2. RBI stipulates that all the Scheduled Commercial Banks must maintain the Credit-deposit ratio above 70%.
3. Declining Credit-deposit ratio, primarily indicates the inability of the banks to mobilise bank deposits.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

4) Consider the following statements.

1. As a percentage of GDP, combined capital expenditure of states is higher than that of the Centre.

2. Increase in Government borrowing is credit positive for the private sector, as it stabilises the interest rate structure in the market.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

5) Consider the following statements regarding Infrastructure investment trusts (InvITs).

1. InvITs are pooled investment vehicles which enable direct investment of capital from investors in primarily operational infrastructure projects.
2. Foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) can also invest in InvIT debt securities.
3. The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) allows private sector NPS subscribers to invest in units issued by InvITs.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

6) Consider the following statements regarding Variable Rate Reverse Repo (VRRR) auction.

1. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) conducts Variable Rate Reverse Repo (VRRR) auction to absorb liquidity in the economy.
2. It is usually conducted for a shorter period, say less than 3 days.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

7) Consider the following statements regarding Goods and Services Tax (GST).

1. GST is designed on the principle of destination-based consumption taxation, with seamless provision for input tax credit.
2. GST Council is the key decision-making body, chaired by the Union Finance Minister with a Minister of State in charge of Finance and the Finance Ministers of States as members.
3. GST is applicable to all goods and services except specified petroleum products.

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Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

8) Consider the following taxes levied under Goods and Services Tax (GST).

- 1. CGST levied by the Centre.
- 2. SGST levied by the States.
- 3. UTGST levied by the Union Territories.
- 4. IGST levied on inter-State supply including

imports.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

9) Consider the following statements.

- 1. RBI announces its monetary policy including key policy rates quarterly.
- 2. RBI follows the accommodative monetary policy to revive and sustain growth in the economy.
- 3. RBI has kept the policy rates unchanged in the last two years.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

10) Consider the following statements regarding India's gold imports.

- 1. India is the largest importer of gold in the world.
- 2. Majority of the gold demand is due to RBI's requirements.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

11) Consider the following statements.

- 1. At present India is among the top five largest importing nations in the world.
- 2. At present India's share in global GDP is around 10 percent.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

12) Consider the following statements regarding Hedge Funds.

1. Hedge funds are included in the category of Alternative Investment Fund (AIF).

2. These funds are not regulated by SEBI.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

13) Consider the following statements regarding RBI's co-lending model.

1. It is the revised version of RBI's co-origination of loans scheme.

2. Under the RBI's co-lending model, banks are permitted to co-lend with all registered NBFCs based on a prior agreement.

3. NBFCs are required to retain a minimum of 50 percent share of individual loans on their books.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

14) Consider the following statements regarding Credit / Debit Card tokenisation.

1. Tokenisation is a process in which the customer would need to manually key in their card details each time they complete an online purchase.

2. Tokenisation would allow online purchases to go through without exposing card details, in a bid to improve data security.

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. National Statistical Office (NSO) releases the gross value added (GVA) and gross domestic product (GDP) numbers every quarter.

2. Gross Value Added (GVA) measures economic activity from the supply side by looking at the value added by different sectors of the economy.

3. Gross fixed capital formation (GFCF) shows how much of the new value added in the economy is invested rather than consumed.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

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

16) Consider the following statements.

1. The Department of Economic Affairs details the inflation situation in the country in its "Monthly Economic Review".
 2. Major part of the year 2021 witnessed the wholesale price inflation of more than 10 percent.
 3. The RBI which has the mandate to maintain stable prices in the country, targets wholesale inflation instead of retail inflation.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

17) Consider the following statements.

1. Import cover is the number of months of imports that the country's foreign exchange reserves can finance.
 2. Import cover is an important indicator of the stability of the currency.
 3. At present India's import cover is more than 10 months.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

18) Movements in the foreign currency assets (FCA) in India occur mainly on account of

1. Purchase and sale of foreign exchange by the RBI
2. Income arising out of the deployment of the foreign exchange reserves
3. External aid receipts of the Central Government
4. Effects of revaluation of the assets

Select the correct answer code:

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

- 1) In India, in the last 10 years the maximum number of elephants were killed due to
 - a) Train hits
 - b) Poaching
 - c) Electrocution
 - d) Poisoning
- 2) Consider the following statements regarding Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)
 1. IPCC is a joint initiative of World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).
 2. IPCC reports are a key input into international climate change negotiations.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

 - a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 3) Under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB) is mandated to
 1. Collect and collate intelligence related to organized wildlife crime activities and to disseminate the same to State and other enforcement agencies.
 2. Establish a centralized wildlife crime data bank.
 3. Assists and advises the Customs authorities in inspection of the consignments of flora & fauna.
 4. Assist international organizations concerned for universal action for wildlife crime control.

Select the correct answer code:

 - a) 1, 2, 4
 - b) 1, 3
 - c) 1, 2, 3
 - d) 1, 2, 3, 4
- 4) The coastal ecosystems of mangroves, tidal marshes, and seagrass meadows provide numerous benefits and services along coasts like
 1. Regulation of coastal water quality
 2. Sequester and store coastal blue carbon from the atmosphere
 3. Protection from storms and sea level rise
 4. Provision of habitat for commercially important fisheries

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5. Food security for many coastal communities

Select the correct answer code:

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

5) When coal is burned, it releases a number of airborne toxins and pollutants like

- 1. Lead
- 2. Mercury
- 3. Nitrogen oxides
- 4. Sulfur dioxide

Select the correct answer code:

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

6) Consider the following statements regarding Carbon offsetting.

1. Carbon offsetting allows a country to help reach its own emissions reduction targets by funding emission reductions in another country.

2. The United Nation's Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) set up under the 1997 Kyoto Protocol is first major Carbon offsetting scheme.

3. Carbon offsets can be bought by individuals, companies or countries.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

7) Consider the following statements regarding Sperm whales.

1. Sperm whales are a protected species under the Wildlife Protection Act.

2. Ambergris is a waxy substance that originates from the digestive system of the sperm whales.

3. In India, Ambergris is a tradable commodity, since they have high medicinal properties.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

8) Trace metals like cadmium or copper are essential for ocean productivity. Studying the

interactions of trace metals and marine plant and animal life helps to

1. Track the movement of water masses responsible for ocean circulation

2. Study the biological, geochemical and ecosystem processes and food web analyses in the oceans.

3. Understand the nutrient cycling and productivity of the oceans

Select the correct answer code:

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

9) Consider the following statements regarding Green Hydrogen.

1. Green Hydrogen is the hydrogen generated through renewable energy sources and the carbon generated from the process is captured and stored without dispersing it in the atmosphere.

2. The major challenge in the usage of green hydrogen will be its storage, because it requires large volumes for its storage.

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) Consider the following pairs:

1. Operation "Save Kurma" : Tackle the poaching, transportation and illegal trade of live turtles and tortoises.

2. Operation "Lesknow" : Tackle illegal trade of Shahtoosh Shawl made from Chiru wool.

3. Operation "Softgold" : Tackle illegal wildlife trade in lesser-known species of wildlife.

4. Operation "Clean Art" : Tackle illegal wildlife trade in Mongoose hair brushes.

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

11) Consider the following statements.

1. Operation Birbil : Tackle illegal trade of live birds

2. Operation Freely : Tackle illegal trade in wild cat and wild bird species.

3. Operation Wildnet : Tackle the illegal wildlife trade over internet using social media platforms.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

12) Consider the following statements regarding National Board for Wildlife (NBWL).

1. The National Board for Wildlife (NBWL) is a "statutory board" constituted under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

2. National Board for Wildlife has power to review all wildlife-related matters and approve projects in and around national parks and sanctuaries.

3. The role of National Board for Wildlife is advisory in nature and advises the Central Government on framing policies and measures for conservation of wildlife in the country.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

13) Consider the following statements.

1. At present maximum percent of India's electricity generation is from renewable sources and nuclear energy combined.

2. Among fossil fuels, coal constitutes the maximum share in electricity generation 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

14) Consider the following statements.

1. Buxa tiger reserve is located in West Bengal.

2. Buxa tiger reserve is known for high tiger density in the region.

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 regarding Seabuckthorn.

1. It is a shrub which produces an orange-yellow coloured edible berry.

2. It is a soil-binding plant which prevents soil-erosion, checks siltation in rivers and helps preserve floral biodiversity.

3. In India, it is found in the Himalayan region, generally in dry areas such as the cold deserts of Ladakh and Spiti.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

16) Consider the following statements.

1. Decarbonization refers to the conversion of the economic system or individual carbon emitting entity reducing the carbon intensity of its emissions over time.

2. A "carbon credit" is an electronic unit that represents one kg of CO₂ equivalent that is reduced or sequestered from projects applying an approved carbon credit methodology.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

17) Consider the following statements.

1. The Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change has statutory and constitutional obligations to protect the forests in India.

2. Approval for the use of forest land for non-forestry use is granted under the provisions of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

3. Protected areas, including national parks are not allowed for non-forestry purposes.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

18) Kinnow, a high yield citrus tree fruit is grown extensively in which state?

- a) Kerala
- b) Uttarakhand
- c) Punjab
- d) Sikkim

19) Consider the following statements regarding tagging of Olive Ridley sea turtles.

1. Researchers of the Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) carried tagging of Olive Ridley sea turtles at Rushikulya rookery along Odisha coast.

2. It would help identifying the migration path and places visited by the Olive Ridley sea turtles after congregation and nesting.

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3. Tagging of Olive Ridley sea turtles is undertaken in Odisha every year before mass nesting.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

20) Recently Researchers of the Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) carried out tagging of Olive Ridley turtles. This would help to

- 1. Identify the migration path and places visited by Olive Ridley turtles.
- 2. Inter-rookery movement of turtles
- 3. Measure the growth of turtles

Select the correct answer code:

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

21) Consider the following pairs of wetlands and their location

- 1. Renuka Wetland : Himachal Pradesh
- 2. Harike Wetland : Gujarat
- 3. Wadhvana Wetland : Punjab
- 4. Kabartal Wetland : Bihar

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

22) Consider the following statements regarding BioCNG:

- 1. It is a purified form of biogas with a major content of butane and propane.
- 2. It can be obtained from pure cellulosic biomass.
- 3. Increased production of BioCNG in India will help reduce import dependency on petroleum products.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

1) The ocean has several micronutrients, minerals and trace metals like cadmium or copper. Trace metals are supplied to oceans via

- 1. Continental shelf interaction
- 2. Continental run-offs
- 3. Atmospheric deposition
- 4. Hydrothermal activities

Select the correct answer code:

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

2) Consider the following statements regarding Wet-bulb temperature.

- 1. Wet-bulb temperature is used to measure both heat and humidity of a place.
- 2. It represents the lowest temperature air can reach by evaporation of water.
- 3. Generally a dry heatwave is more dangerous than a humid heatwave for human beings.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

3) Nigeen Lake is located in

- a) Ladakh
- b) Jammu and Kashmir
- c) Himachal Pradesh
- d) Uttarakhand

4) Chillai Kalan is the name given to 40-day period of harsh winter in

- a) Uttarakhand
- b) Himachal Pradesh
- c) Kashmir Valley
- d) Sikkim

4. Government Schemes and Programmes

1) Consider the following statements regarding Member of Parliament Local Area Development (MPLAD) Scheme.

1. MPs only recommend projects, but the final choice and implementation rests with the district authorities.

2. The scheme is administered by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MOSPI).

3. As per the guidelines, 100 percent utilisation of the funds allocated is mandatory.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

2) Consider the following statements regarding Pre-Legislative Consultation Policy (PLCP).

1. The Pre-Legislative Consultation Policy (PLCP) mandates that whenever the Government makes any laws, it must place a draft version of it in the public domain.

2. The policy also says that, a note explaining the law in simple language and justifying the proposal, its financial implication, impact on the environment and fundamental rights should be uploaded.

3. The PLCP was adopted through an act of Parliament.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

3) Consider the following statements regarding public spending on health.

1. In India, the total public spending on health as a percentage of GDP is around 2.5% of GDP.

2. The Union government spends around a third of the total government spending whereas the majority is borne by the States.

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 regarding Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation (SATAT) scheme.

1. It aims to extract economic value from bio-mass waste in the form of Compressed Bio Gas (CBG) and bio-manure.

2. The initiative was launched by the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas in association with Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) Oil Marketing Companies (OMC).

3. Rural households are incentivised to supply locally available biomass including crop stubble or dung cakes to Compressed Bio-Gas (CBG) production plants being set up under the SATAT scheme.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

5) For enhancing India's Manufacturing Capabilities and Exports, the government implements Production Linked Incentive Scheme for which of the following sectors?

- 1. Pharmaceuticals Drugs
- 2. White Goods (ACs and LEDs)
- 3. Toy industry
- 4. Textiles and Apparel
- 5. Food products

Select the correct answer code:

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

6) Consider the following statements regarding National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF).

1. National Institutional Ranking Framework ranks only the centrally funded institutions such as the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) and central universities.

2. NIRF was adopted by the Ministry of Education and is the first-ever effort by the government to rank higher education institutions (HEIs) 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

7) National Institute Ranking Framework (NIRF) assesses education institutions on which of the following parameters?

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1. Teaching, learning and resources
2. Research and professional practices
3. Graduation outcomes
4. Outreach and inclusivity

Select the correct answer code:

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

8) Consider the following statements.

1. Majority of the dams in India were built during early 20th century.
2. The ownership of dams and their maintenance predominantly falls in the purview of the States.
3. Central Water Commission (CWC) is the apex body that advise on issues of dam safety.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

9) Consider the following statements regarding Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI).

1. Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) was established through an act of parliament.
2. One of the objectives of TRAI is to provide a fair and transparent policy environment promoting a level playing field amongst players and facilitating fair competition.
3. TRAI regulates telecom services but does not have the power to fix/revise tariffs for telecom services, which is done by the Union Ministry of Finance.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

10) Consider the following statements regarding Essential Commodities Act.

1. The Essential Commodities Act is an act of Parliament of India which was established to ensure the delivery of certain commodities or products, the supply of which if obstructed owing to hoarding or blackmarketing would affect the normal life of the people.
2. The states can include new commodities as and when the need arises, and only the centre can take them off the list once the situation improves.

3. The act empowers Central and State Governments concurrently to control production, supply and distribution of certain commodities when their prices rise.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

11) Consider the following statements.

1. The bulk of semiconductor manufacturing and supply capability is concentrated in countries like Taiwan, South Korea, U.S., and Japan.
2. India's Production Linked Incentive scheme provides 100% of the cost of setting up greenfield semiconductor fabs by way of fiscal support.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

12) Consider the following statements.

1. The Sinho Commission was constituted to recommend welfare measures for the economically weaker sections (EWS) category, including reservation.
2. At present persons who are not covered under the scheme of reservation for SCs, STs and other backward classes (OBCs), and whose family has gross annual income below Rs 8 lakh, are identified as EWSs for benefit of reservation.
3. The ceiling for determining EWS is the same as the limit for determining the OBC "creamy layer" for reservation.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

13) Consider the following statements regarding Cooperative Societies.

1. Under the Indian Constitution, Cooperatives are a concurrent subject.
2. In India, there are many Cooperative societies whose members and areas of operation are spread across more than one state.
3. At present the Ministry of Agriculture is responsible for administrative, legal and policy framework for strengthening the cooperative movement in India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

14) *Digital news media and over-the-top platforms (OTT Platforms)* in India are regulated by

- a) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- b) Ministry of Home Affairs
- c) Ministry of Information and broadcasting
- d) They are self-regulated

15) Consider the following statements.

1. The Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) registration is mandatory for NGO or association to receive foreign funds or donations.
2. Considering the philanthropic work done by Missionaries of Charity (MoC), a Catholic religious congregation set up by Mother Teresa, is exempted from FCRA registration to receive foreign donations.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

16) Consider the following statements regarding the recently launched Indian Space Association (ISpA).

1. Indian Space Association is the private sector arm of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).
2. ISpA will work towards building global linkages for the Indian space industry to bring in critical technology and investments into the country.
3. ISpA will be represented by leading domestic and global corporations that have advanced capabilities in space and satellite technologies.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

17) Consider the following statements.

1. The Prohibition of Child Marriage (Amendment) or PCMA Bill, 2021 seeks to raise the age of marriage for women to 21.
2. All religious communities in India have a codified personal law, that deals with marriage, dissolution of marriage, guardianship, etc.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only

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

18) Consider the following statements regarding Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR).

1. The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), is an autonomous organisation of the Government of India, involved in cultural exchange with other countries and their people.
2. It was founded by Jawaharlal Nehru.
3. It can issue binding orders to promote Indian culture, like making it mandatory to play Indian music at airports and railway stations.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

5. Science and Technology

1) Consider the following statements regarding Distributed ledger technology (DLT).

1. Distributed ledger technology (DLT) is a digital system for recording the transaction of assets in which the details are recorded in multiple places at the same time.
2. Blockchain technology is a specific kind of Distributed ledger technology.
3. Unlike traditional databases, distributed ledgers have a central data store or administration functionality.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

2) Consider the following statements.

1. Antibodies are the first line of defence against viral infection and monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) are used in its treatment.
2. Every single mutation of the virus independently increase the virulence and the combination of them always aggravates the virus properties.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2

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d) Neither 1 nor 2

3) Which of the following services generally use encryption to secure data transmission?

1. Messaging services
2. Payment gateways
3. Wireless microphones and Bluetooth devices

devices

4. Bank ATMs.

Select the correct answer code:

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

4) Consider the following statements regarding IN-SPACe (Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre).

1. IN-SPACe is a single window nodal agency established to boost the commercialisation of Indian space activities.

2. It promotes the entry of the Non-Government Private Entities (NGPEs) in the Indian space sector.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

5) *Acinetobacter baumannii*, *Enterococcus faecalis*, *Escherichia coli* are

- a) Vectors that cause Dengue and Malaria
- b) Drugs administered to livestock as painkillers/anti-inflammatory drugs.
- c) Pathogens that have the ability to develop resistance to antibiotics.
- d) None of the above

6) Pentavalent vaccine protects against which of the following diseases?

1. Diphtheria
2. Tetanus
3. Hepatitis-C
4. Pertussis

Select the correct answer code:

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

7) Hubble Space Telescope was successful by making which of the following observations?

1. Tracking interstellar objects

2. Capturing a comet colliding with another planet

3. Discovering moons around Pluto.

4. Probing supermassive black holes

Select the correct answer code:

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

8) Artificial Intelligence is beneficial in which of the following areas?

1. Credit card frauds prevention
2. GPS mapping technology
3. Identify nutrient deficiencies in the soil
4. Self-driving vehicles
5. Personalized online Shopping

Select the correct answer code:

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

9) Consider the following statements regarding Bio-enzymes.

1. Bio-enzymes are organic solutions produced through fermentation of organic waste like fruits, vegetable peels and flowers by mixing in sugar, jaggery/molasses and water.

2. Yeast can be used to slow down the process of fermentation.

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) Which of the following can be achieved using Nanotechnology?

1. Delivery of active drugs to target tissues in the Human eye.

2. Deliver drugs at the cell-level using DNA-based nanostructures.

3. Manipulation of nanoscale biological specimens such as bacteria, viruses and proteins in human body using light.

Select the correct answer code:

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

11) Graphene is being termed as wonder material due to various properties it exhibits. It is used in which of the following

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1. Wearable devices like heart-rate monitors
2. Solar Cells
3. Touch screens
4. Biosensors

Select the correct answer code:

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

12) Consider the following statements regarding Proteins.

1. Proteins need to take a precise three-dimensional shape to become functional entities.
2. Most of the time, protein folding happens automatically.
3. Misfolding of proteins can cause a number of diseases like Parkinson's disease and cataract.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

13) Consider the following statements.

1. Traditional way of diagnosing Cancer is through Histopathology, where the tumour tissues are sliced and examined under a microscope.
2. Digital histopathology involves the use of deep learning techniques and machine learning to diagnose cancer by looking at whole slide images of the tumour.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

14) Which of the following are the applications of Carbon Nanotubes?

1. They are used as semiconductors in electrical circuits.
2. They can be used to reinforce graphite in tennis rackets.
3. They be used as a container for transporting a drug in the body.

Select the correct answer code:

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

15) Consider the following statements.

1. The consumption of alcohol by pilots can be known by conducting pre-flight and post-flight breath analyser tests.

2. When the blood alcohol levels are zero in the body, there will be no effect of hangover.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

16) Consider the following statements regarding carbon nanotubes.

1. Carbon nanotubes have higher strength than steel, but also weigh significantly more.

2. They can conduct heat and electricity better than copper.

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) Parvovirus, recently seen in news is a contagious virus mainly affecting

- a) Dogs
- b) Bats
- c) Pigs
- d) *Chickens* and ducks

18) Consider the following statements regarding Proton therapy.

1. It is a non-invasive treatment of cancer.

2. Once Proton therapy is conducted, the patient has very minimal chance of getting cancer from residual cancer cells again.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

19) Consider the following statements regarding LIDAR (Light Detection and Ranging).

1. It is a remote sensing method that uses light in the form of a pulsed laser to calculate an objects variable distances from the earth surface.

2. It can be used to generate three-dimensional information about the shape of the Earth and its surface characteristics.

3. The use of LIDAR is restricted to natural environments.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1, 2

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

6. International Relations and Organisations

- 1) Consider the following statements.
1. Budapest Convention is an international treaty that seeks to address Internet and cybercrime by harmonizing national laws, improving investigative techniques, and increasing cooperation among nations.
 2. India is a signatory to Budapest Convention.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 2) Consider the following statements regarding United Nations Brasilia Declaration.
1. United Nations Brasilia Declaration on road safety called for reducing road fatalities by 50% by 2020, and India has already achieved this.
 2. India is a signatory to the United Nations Brasilia Declaration.
- 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 regarding G20 'Troika'.
1. Troika refers to the top grouping within the G20, that has highest per capita income.
 2. Recently India joined the G20 'Troika'.
- 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 regarding the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of a State.
1. Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) consists of the seabed and subsoil that extends to the outer edge of the continental margin, or to a distance of

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200 nautical miles if the outer edge of the continental margin does not extend up to that distance.

2. According to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, the extended continental shelf of a coastal State is considered as an extension of its Exclusive Economic Zone.

3. The sovereign rights that a coastal state may exercise in the Exclusive Economic Zone, especially rights to the resources of the water column also apply to the entire stretch of extended continental shelf.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

5) *India has held 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue with which of the following countries.*

1. Russia
2. Australia
3. United States
4. China

Select the correct answer code:

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

6) Consider the following statements.

1. United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) has established the international legal order of the seas and oceans.

2. India supports freedom of navigation and overflight based on the principles of UNCLOS.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

7) India recently launched the Connectivity Partnership, which aims at deepening the cooperation on transport, energy, digital and people-to-people contacts with

- a) United States of America
- b) Russia
- c) Japan
- d) European Union (EU)

8) Consider the following statements regarding the Miss Universe contest.

1. Miss Universe is an international beauty contest conducted once in three years.

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2. It is conducted by a United States based organisation.

3. Till now India has won the title thrice since its inception.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

9) UN convention on the Rights of persons with disabilities includes which of these rights for the differently abled?

- 1. Rights to personal mobility
- 2. Rights to live independently and be included in the community
- 3. Rights to participate in political and public life
- 4. Rights to recreation and sport

Select the correct answer code:

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

10) Survival International sometimes seen in news advocates the rights of

- a) Trafficked human beings
- b) Refugees
- c) Tribal people
- d) Leprosy patients

11) \$1 trillion platinum coin, recently seen in news is related to

- a) European Union (EU)
- b) USA
- c) China
- d) Russia

7. Polity

1) Consider the following statements regarding the observations made by Supreme Court with respect to Right to privacy.

- 1. Right to privacy is as sacrosanct as human existence and is inalienable to human dignity and autonomy.
- 2. This is an absolute right.
- 3. Any surveillance done on an individual by the state is an infringement of that person's right to privacy.

4. Any violation of right to privacy by the state in national interest, has to follow procedures established by the law.

Select the correct answer code:

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

2) Consider the following statements regarding the repealing of a law in India.

- 1. The Constitution empowers the Parliament to enact as well as to repeal any law.
- 2. For repeal, the power of Parliament is the same as enacting a law under the Constitution.
- 3. A law cannot be repealed by promulgating an ordinance.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

3) Which of the following are the different kinds of Parliamentary committees?

- 1. Financial Committees
- 2. Standing Committee
- 3. Ad-hoc / Select Committees
- 4. Administrative Committees

Select the correct answer code:

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

4) Consider the following statements regarding Union Finance Commission.

- 1. The Finance commission submits its report to the union Finance minister.
- 2. The recommendations made by the Finance Commission are binding on the government.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

5) Consider the following statements regarding Parliamentary committees.

- 1. Parliamentary committees act as a mini-parliament as they have MPs representing different parties who are elected through a system of the single transferable vote.

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2. Parliamentary committees ensure executive accountability through scrutiny of public spending.

3. The committee recommendations are binding on the government.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

6) Consider the following statements.

1. In both the Houses of Parliament, elected members enjoy the right to seek information from various ministries and departments in the form of starred questions and unstarred questions.

2. The admissibility of questions in Rajya Sabha is governed by Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Council of States.

3. The questions in both the Houses of Parliament cannot be disallowed and is usually passed on to the next session of the Parliament if it cannot be taken up in the ongoing session.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

7) Currently, Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA) is in effect in the entire State of

- 1. Nagaland
- 2. Assam
- 3. Manipur
- 4. Arunachal Pradesh

Select the correct answer code:

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

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

1. The law is based on the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Ordinance of 1942, which was issued during the Quit India movement.

2. The power to declare a territory "disturbed" lay exclusively with the Central Government.

3. The law can be repealed where insurgencies subside, and the region can be managed using the police force.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

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

9) Consider the following statements.

1. Article 21-A was inserted in the Constitution of India to provide free and compulsory education to all children in the age group of six to fourteen years.

2. Article 21A was introduced through a Constitutional Amendment Act, since Article 45 was not realized.

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) Consider the following statements.

1. According to the Indian Constitution, any petition alleging a breach of fundamental rights by the state ought to be judicially decided within one month.

2. The responsibility for constituting benches and scheduling cases that are due to be heard by larger Benches rests solely with the Chief Justice of India (CJI).

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

11) In the parliament, elected members enjoy the right to seek information from various ministries in the form of starred questions, unstarred questions and short notice questions. In this context, consider the following pairs.

1. Starred question – The member seeks a written answer, which is deemed to be laid on the table of the House by the concerned minister.

2. Unstarred question - The member desires an oral answer from the minister and the answer can be followed by supplementary questions from members.

3. Short notice question – These involve an urgent matter of public importance and a notice of less than 10 days is prescribed as the minimum period for asking such a question.

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

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12) The Lok Sabha Speaker has the authority to decide whether a question or a part of it is not admissible under the norms of the House, and disallow any question or a part. In Lok Sabha, questions are not admitted when

1. The questions are repetitive or have been answered previously.
2. The matter is pending for judgment before any court of law.
3. The matter is under consideration before a Parliamentary Committee.

Select the correct answer code:

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

13) Consider the following statements.

1. It requires presidential assent for states notifying changes to OBC categories.
2. According to Indra Sawhney judgement, under no circumstances the Centre can exceed 50 percent limit on reservations.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

14) Consider the following statements.

1. Nominated members of the Rajya Sabha have the same rights and privileges as elected members of Rajya Sabha with the right to vote in the election of the President.
2. The Nominated members of the Rajya Sabha are subjected to disqualification, if they join a political party within six months of being nominated to the House.

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) Consider the following statements regarding Privilege motion.

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

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

d) 1, 2, 3

16) Consider the following statements.

1. State Governments have absolute power to keep the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) from investigating crimes inside the State.
2. CBI can probe cases concerning any of the Central subjects enumerated in the Union List in the Seventh Schedule of the 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

17) Consider the following statements regarding President's rule that is imposed under Article 356 of the Constitution.

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

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

18) Consider the following statements regarding the administration of Union Territories.

1. Every union territory is administered by the President acting through an administrator appointed by him.
2. An administrator of a union territory is an agent of the President and head of state like a governor.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

19) Consider the following statements regarding Anti-defection provisions.

1. Legislators in no circumstances can change their party without the risk of disqualification.
2. The provisions allows a party to merge with or into another party provided that at least two-thirds of its legislators are in favour of the merger.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- a) 1 only

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

8. History, Art and Culture

1) Which of the following were primarily related to the Indian education system during the colonial period?

- 1. Macaulay minute
- 2. Wood's dispatch
- 3. Simon commission
- 4. Sadler commission

Select the correct answer code:

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

2) Consider the following statements.

- 1. Goa came under Portugal rule when the major part of India was ruled by the Mughals.
- 2. 'Operation Vijay' was the military action by which India liberated the territories of Goa, Daman and Diu from Portuguese rule.
- 3. Goa was liberated from Portuguese rule soon after India's Independence.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

3) Consider the following statements.

- 1. The Red Fort was built during the reign of Shah Jahan in the mid-seventeenth century.
- 2. Akbar was the last Mughal emperor to occupy the Red fort.
- 3. The Red Fort was designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site as part of the Red Fort Complex.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

4) Recently Prime minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Kushinagar International Airport in Uttar Pradesh. Consider the following statements regarding Kushinagar.

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1. It is an important Buddhist pilgrimage site, where it is believed that Gautam Buddha delivered his *last sermon*.

2. The present Kushinagar is identified with Kushinara, the capital of Mallas which was one of the sixteen mahajanpads of the 6th century BCE.

3. Kushinagar is among the few places in India where Buddha is depicted in reclining form. Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

5) Kangri, a traditional heater comprising earthenware in a wicker basket, has been mainly used in

- a) New Delhi
- b) Nagaland
- c) Jammu and Kashmir
- d) Kerala

6) Consider the following statements regarding *Sattras of Assam*.

1. Sattras are monastic institutions created as part of the 16th century Neo-Vaishnavite reformist movement started by Vaishnavite saint-reformer Srimanta Sankaradeva.

2. During the Ahom reign, most of the Sattras across Assam were destroyed.

3. These Sattras were established as centres of religious, social and cultural reforms.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

9. Agriculture

1) Consider the following statements.

1. The Central Government sets a minimum support price (MSP) for various crops every year based on a formula that takes into account both paid-out costs (A2) such as seeds, fertilizers and pesticides as well as the imputed value of unpaid family labour (FL).

2. There is currently no statutory backing for the MSP, nor any law mandates their enforcement.

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3. The Central Government procures almost all the wheat and rice crops throughout the country at MSP rates.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

2) How can the Government ensure that the food crops are procured at the guaranteed minimum support price (MSP)?

- 1. Forcing private traders or processors to pay MSP.
- 2. Government undertaking procurement at MSP through its agencies such as the Food Corporation of India (FCI).
- 3. Price deficiency payments.

Select the correct answer code:

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

3) Consider the following statements regarding Precision agriculture.

1. Precision agriculture is the 'right-input' at the 'right-time' in the 'right-amount' at the 'right-place' and in the 'right-manner' for improving agricultural productivity and conserving natural resources.

2. Precision agriculture requires huge amounts of Environmental data collation through technological intervention for better farming techniques.

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) Arrange the following kharif crops in the decreasing order in terms of area under cultivation.

- 1. Rice
- 2. Oilseeds
- 3. Pulses
- 4. Sugarcane

Select the correct answer code:

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

5) Which of the following are the benefits of using Bio-enzymes on agricultural land?

- 1. Improves the pH level and soil fertility
- 2. Acts as pest repellent
- 3. Improves the photosynthesis process of

the crops

Select the correct answer code:

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

10. Defence and Security

1) Consider the following statements regarding 'Zero-click' attacks.

1. Zero-click attack is a cyberattack that do not require any action by the user to hack his/her device.

2. Hacking a device by giving a missed WhatsApp call is a type of Zero-click attack.

3. Pegasus's method of attack is an example for 'Zero-click' attacks.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

2) The coast guard exercise 'Dosti', recently seen in news was held between

- 1. India
- 2. Maldives
- 3. Sri Lanka

Select the correct answer code:

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

3) Hague Code of Conduct (HCOC), sometimes seen in news, is related to

- a) Prohibition of the usage of biological weapons
- b) Prevention of the proliferation of ballistic missiles
- c) Code of Conduct for civil servants working for United Nations
- d) *Guidelines for International travel*

4) Consider the following statements.

1. At the time of Independence, India had advanced indigenous missile capabilities.
 2. Project Devil was related to the development of a medium range Surface-to-Surface Missile.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) Neither 1 nor 2

- 5) Consider the following pairs regarding India's missile system.
1. Nag : Anti-Tank Guided missile
 2. Akash : Surface to air missile
 3. Astra : New Generation Anti-Radiation Missile
 4. Rudram : Beyond Visual Range Air-to-Air Missile
- Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?
- a) 1, 2, 3
 - b) 1, 2
 - c) 1, 2, 4
 - d) 1, 2, 3, 4

11. Reports and Indices

- 1) The National Health Accounts (NHA) report capture spending on health by various sources which include
1. Out-of-pocket expenditure
 2. Public spending on health by various departments of the Union and State governments.
 3. Insurance premiums and expenditure estimates from non-governmental organisations.
 4. Capital expenditure on health infrastructure by the State.
- Select the correct answer code:
- a) 1, 2, 3
 - b) 1, 3, 4
 - c) 1, 2
 - d) 1, 2, 3, 4
- 2) Consider the following statements regarding Global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI).
1. Global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) is developed by World Bank.
 2. It uses health, education and standard of living indicators to determine the incidence and intensity of poverty experienced by a population.

3. Here each indicator is given an equal weightage.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) 1, 2
 - b) 1, 3
 - c) 2, 3
 - d) 1, 2, 3

- 3) Consider the following statements.
1. The female share of the total labour income is the national aggregate labour income earned by women relative to the total aggregate of labour income within a country.
 2. In a country with perfect equality between women and men, the female labour income share would be equal to 50%.
 3. According to World Inequality Report 2022, women's share of total labour income in India is almost equal to 50 percent.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) 1, 2
 - b) 1, 3
 - c) 2, 3
 - d) 1, 2, 3

- 4) Consider the following statements regarding Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI).
1. Purchasing Managers' Index is an economic indicator that is calculated from monthly surveys of purchasing managers and supply executives from specific companies.
 2. It is applicable only for manufacturing and not for services sector.
 3. A figure above 50 denotes an expansion while anything below 50 denotes a contraction in activity.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) 1 only
 - b) 1, 2
 - c) 1, 3
 - d) 1, 2, 3

- 1) Consider the following statements regarding the percentage of children aged 6-59 months who are anaemic according to National Family Health Survey-5.
1. North-eastern states had the highest percentage of children in India, who were anaemic.
 2. Kerala was the only state where the share was less than 40%.
- 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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12. Maps / Places

- 1) Irish Sea is located between
 - a) Great Britain and France
 - b) Sweden and Finland
 - c) Great Britain and Norway
 - d) Ireland and Great Britain

- 2) Consider the following statements.
 1. Ukraine is a landlocked country located in the Eastern Europe.
 2. Some of the countries bordering Ukraine are Russia, Belarus, Poland and Romania.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) Mount Manipur, recently seen in news is located in
 - a) Manipur
 - b) Mizoram
 - c) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
 - d) Lakshadweep



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