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1. Polity

1) Consider the following statements.

1. S.R. Bommai v. Union of India is a significant case on Indian federalism.
2. Article 256 of the Indian Constitution obligates the State government to ensure implementation of the laws made by Parliament.
3. The refusal to enforce the laws made by Parliament even after the Centre issues directions would empower the President to impose President's Rule in those States under Articles 356 and 365.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

2) A Democratic constitution would lose its credibility if

- a) It is heavily based on the Constitution of another nation.
- b) It is not based on secular ideas.
- c) The people behind framing the Constitution were unelected.
- d) It centralizes power from the federal units into the Union government.

3) Consider the following statements regarding Rajya Sabha elections.

1. The Third Schedule to the Constitution provides for allocation of Rajya Sabha seats to the states and Union Territories, on the basis of the population of each state.
2. Rajya Sabha MPs are elected by the elected members of state Assemblies through a system of proportional representation by means of a single transferable vote.
3. A nominated member of Rajya Sabha may join a political party after six months of taking a seat, to avoid disqualification.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

4) Consider the following statements.

1. The Constitution of India provides for a parliamentary form of government, both at the Centre and in the States.

2. The parliamentary system of government in India is part of the basic structure of the Constitution.

3. In the Presidential System of Government, the executive is responsible to the legislature for its policies and acts.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

5) Which of the following are devices of direct democracy?

1. Recall
2. Citizen's Initiative
3. Referendum
4. Plebiscite

Select the correct answer code:

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

6) Consider the following statements

1. Equal pay for equal work for men and women is one of the element/ features of Fundamental Rights.
2. A person shall not be a citizen of India if he/she has voluntarily acquired the citizenship of any foreign 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

7) Consider the following statements.

1. The equal protection of law concept originated from the United States Constitution, which means the law should be applied equally and fairly to all people.

2. Article 14 says that the State shall not deny to any person equality before the law or the equal protection of the laws within the territory of India.

3. Article 14 forbids class legislation and reasonable classification of persons.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

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d) 1, 2, 3

8) Consider the following statements.

1. The right to get government aid for an educational institution run by a minority community, is a fundamental right.

2. According to Constitution of India, the State while granting aid to educational institutions, shall not discriminate against any educational institution on the ground that it is under the management of a minority, whether based on religion or language.

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) Writ of Mandamus is a command issued by the court. It can be issued to

- 1. Inferior courts
- 2. Governors of the State
- 3. Tribunals
- 4. Government

Select the correct answer code:

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

10) Right to Equality in the Indian constitution does not include?

- a) Equality of opportunity in employment
- b) Prohibition on discrimination on ground of religion
- c) Abolition of titles
- d) Rights of the accused and convicts

11) 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

12) On which of the following conditions, the President can impose President's rule in a state?

1. Loss of majority in the Assembly due to a vote of no-confidence in the House.

2. There's a breakdown of a coalition leading to the chief minister having a minority support in the House, and the CM fails to prove majority in the given period of time.

3. Elections postponed on account of situations like natural disasters, war or epidemic.

Select the correct answer code:

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

13) Consider the following statements regarding Contingency Fund of India

- 1. Contingency Fund is created to meet some urgent or unforeseen expenditure of the government.
- 2. This fund is at the disposal of the Parliament.
- 3. The corpus of the Fund authorized by the Parliament, at present, is ₹ 500 crore.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

14) Consider the following statements regarding Private member's Bill.

- 1. Like Government Bills, Private member's Bills can be introduced and discussed on any day.
- 2. The admissibility is decided by the Chairman for Rajya Sabha and Speaker in the case of Lok Sabha.
- 3. Its introduction in the House requires 15 days' prior notice.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

15) Consider the following statements regarding Pardoning powers of President.

- 1. The power of pardon shall be exercised by the President on the advice of Council of Ministers.
- 2. The President can exercise these powers in all cases where the punishment or sentence is for an offence against any law relating to a matter to which the executive power of the Union extends.
- 3. The original constitution provided for a small window for judicial review of the pardon

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powers of President for the purpose of ruling out any arbitrariness.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

16) Consider the following statements regarding Recusal of Judges.

1. Recusal of Judges implies that, when there is a conflict of interest, a judge can withdraw from hearing a case.

2. There are no formal rules governing

Recusal of Judges.

3. The practice comes from the principle that nobody can be a judge in her own case.

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 Gram Nyayalayas.

1. Gram Nyayalayas were established through an act of parliament for speedy and easy access to justice system in the rural areas of India.

2. Gram Nyayalayas are bound by the rules of evidence provided in the Indian Evidence Act, 1872.

3. The pecuniary jurisdiction of the Gram Nyayalayas are fixed by the respective High Courts.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

18) Consider the following statements regarding acting judge of a high court.

1. Chief Justice of India (CJI) appoints a duly qualified person as an acting judge of a high court.

2. An acting judge holds office until the permanent judge resumes his office.

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.

1. The writ jurisdiction of the high court is wider than that of the Supreme Court.

2. The writ jurisdiction of the high court is exclusive in the 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

20) Consider the following statements.

1. The High Court has the power to withdraw a case pending before a subordinate court and conduct the trial and award the sentence of death.

2. The Supreme Court may allow a curative petition to reconsider its judgment, if it is established that there was a violation of principles of natural justice.

3. In India, the deprivation of life is constitutionally permissible, if it is done according to the procedure established by law.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

21) Which of the following commissions are related to Centre-State Relations?

- 1. Punchhi Commission
- 2. Administrative Reforms Commission
- 3. P J Nayak Committee
- 4. Sarkaria Commission

Select the correct answer code:

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

22) Consider the following statements.

1. Article 256 of the Constitution obligates the State government to ensure implementation of the laws made by Parliament.

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3. S.R. Bommai v. Union of India is a significant case on Indian federalism.

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

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- 23) Which of the following is/are not the federal features of the Indian Constitution?
1. The Constitution is written and not easily amendable.
 2. State governments derive authority from the Centre.
 3. Equal number of seats for all states in Rajya Sabha.

Select the correct answer code:

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

- 24) Consider the following statements regarding Gram Sabha.

1. Gram Sabha is a permanent body.
2. Constitution mentions that Gram Sabha exercises such powers and performs such functions at the village level as the Legislature of a State may, by law, provide.
3. The power to annul a decision of the Gram Sabha rests with the District Collector.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 25) Which of the following statements regarding Inter State Council is correct?

- a) It is a permanent statutory body
- b) Its recommendations are binding in nature.
- c) It is headed by Minister of Home Affairs
- d) None of the above statements are correct

- 26) According to the 44th Amendment Act of 1978, President's rule can only be extended over a year every 6 months under which of the following conditions?

1. There is already a national emergency throughout India or in the whole or any part of the state.
2. The Election Commission certifies that elections cannot be conducted in the state concerned.

Select the correct answer code:

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

- 27) Consider the following statements regarding Lok Sabha.

1. Lok Sabha has a normal term of 5 years, after which it automatically dissolves.
2. Once the Lok Sabha is dissolved before the completion of its normal tenure, the dissolution is irrevocable.
3. Revocation of National Emergency is the exclusive power of Lok Sabha.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 28) The 42nd Amendment Act of 1976 transferred which of the following subjects to Concurrent List from State List?

1. Weights and measures
2. Protection of wild animals and birds
3. Economic and social planning
4. Administration of justice

Select the correct answer code:

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

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- 29) Consider the following statements regarding Question Hour.

1. Asking of questions is an inherent and unfettered parliamentary right of members.
2. Always the last hour of a sitting of Lok Sabha is devoted to the Questions and this hour is called the Question Hour.
3. Sometimes questions may lead to the appointment of a Commission or a Court of Enquiry when matters raised by Members are of wide public importance.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 30) Speaker of the Lok Sabha is the chairman of which of the following committees?

1. Rules Committee
2. Business Advisory Committee
3. Committee on Absence of Members from Sittings of the House
4. Committee on Private Members' Bills and Resolutions

Select the correct answer code:

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

31) Consider the following statements regarding Law commission of India.

1. Law Commission of India is neither a constitutional body nor a statutory body.
2. It can suo motu review the existing laws in India for making reforms and enacting new legislation.
3. It is reconstituted every five years and its recommendations are not binding.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

32) Consider the following statements regarding Election Commission of India.

1. The Chief Election Commissioner can be removed from his office in the same manner and on same grounds as a judge of the Supreme Court.
2. The Constitution has prescribed the qualifications of the members of the Election Commission.
3. The Constitution has not debarred the retiring election commissioners from any further appointment by the government.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

33) The Election Commission registers political parties for the purpose of elections and grants them recognition as national or state parties on the basis of their

1. Poll performance
2. Financial backing
3. Number of elections contested
4. Cadre strength

Select the correct answer code:

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

34) Which of the following schedules of the constitution gives a constitutional recognition to

the existence of the system of “political parties” in India?

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

35) Which of the following are the powers of the Election Commission of India?

1. Allow symbols to the political parties.
2. Sets limits on poll expenses.
3. Notify the updated list of registered political parties.
4. Deregister inactive political parties.

Select the correct answer code:

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

2. Governance

1) Which of the following could be the reasons for the failure of infrastructure projects by the public sector enterprises?

1. Ineffective Governance
2. Lack of inter-ministerial/departmental coordination
3. Optimum input-output ratio is rarely observed leading to overcapitalisation
4. Cost overruns.

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 e-Courts Project.

1. e-Courts Project is an Integrated Mission Mode Project, part of National e-Governance Plan.
2. It is monitored and funded by the Union Home Ministry.
3. It is conceptualized on the basis of ‘National Policy and Action Plan for Implementation of Information and Communication Technology in Indian Judiciary’.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

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3) Consider the following statements.

1. A key pillar of democratic governance is citizens' power to question the state.
2. The Companies Act that mandates corporates to pay at least 2% of their net profits before tax to the development activities is a case of state-driven governance mechanism promoting collaboration among non-state actors.

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 National E-Governance Services Ltd (NeSL).

1. NeSL is India's first Information Utility that has been set up by leading banks and public institutions.
2. It is registered with the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) under the aegis of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, 2016 (IBC).
3. NeSL works towards time-bound resolution by providing verified information to creditors and to Adjudicating Authorities that do not require further authentication.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

5) e-GramSwaraj Portal has been launched by

- a) Ministry of Rural Development
- b) Niti Ayog
- c) Ministry of Panchayati Raj
- d) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

6) Consider the following statements.

1. All India Services (AIS) officers are made available for central deputation through the discretion of the Centre.
2. It was Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel who had championed the creation of the Indian Administrative Service (IAS) and the Indian Police Service (IPS) as "All India Services" (AIS).

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.

1. Access to justice for the weaker sections of the society is a constitutional mandate to ensure fair treatment under Indian legal system.

2. Equal justice and free legal aid is one of the Directive Principles of State Policy (DPSP) under the Indian Constitution.

3. Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987, was enacted by Parliament to organise Lok Adalats outside the formal adjudicatory system, to address the problems of crowded cases.

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 statements.

1. According to Indian Constitution, the Municipalities are required to prepare and implement plans for 'economic development and social justice'.

2. The main objective of 'Mission Antyodaya' is to ensure optimum use of resources through the convergence of various schemes that address multiple deprivations of poverty.

3. Annual survey in Gram Panchayats across the country is an important aspect of Mission Antyodaya framework.

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. In India, the Constitution gives the government the right to levy taxes on individuals and organisations.

2. As per the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution, Union and the States have concurrent power of taxation.

3. In India, any tax being charged has to be backed by a law passed by the state legislature or Parliament.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

10) Consider the following statements.

1. The Constitution permits the Central government to make laws when Parliament is not in session.

2. Governor of a state can issue ordinances only with the approval of the President.
3. An ordinance can be re-promulgated only once.
- Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?
- 2 only
 - 3 only
 - 2, 3
 - 1, 2, 3

3. Geography

- 1) Consider the following statements regarding Pacific 'Ring of Fire'.
- The Pacific 'Ring of Fire' or the Circum-Pacific Belt, is an area along the Pacific Ocean that is characterised by active volcanoes.
 - It traces from New Zealand clockwise in an almost circular arc and extends upto western coast of North America.
 - About 90 per cent of the world's earthquakes occur here.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 2) Consider the following statements regarding Gulf of Mexico.
- The Gulf of Mexico is an ocean basin of the Pacific Ocean.
 - The Gulf Stream, which is a cold ocean current, originates in the Gulf of Mexico.
 - The present shape of Gulf of Mexico is a result of plate tectonics.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 3) The factors that cause variations in insolation are:
- The length of the day
 - The configuration of land in terms of its aspect
 - The transparency of the atmosphere

Select the correct answer code:

- 1, 2
- 1, 3

- 2, 3
- 1, 2, 3

- 4) Consider the following statements regarding Summer Solstice.
- During summer solstice, the Earth's axis is tilted in a way that the North Pole is tipped towards the sun and the South Pole is away from it.
 - The amount of incoming energy the Earth received from the sun is higher at the North Pole than at the Equator.
 - Summer solstice will bring the earliest sunrise or latest sunset for all the places in the Northern Hemisphere at the same time.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- 1, 2
- 1, 3
- 2, 3
- 1, 2, 3

- 5) Consider the following statements.
- The percentage of moisture present in the atmosphere as compared to its full capacity at a given temperature is known as absolute humidity.
 - The absolute humidity differs from place to place on the surface of the earth.
 - The ability of the air to hold water vapour depends entirely on its temperature.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- 1, 2
- 1, 3
- 2, 3
- 1, 2, 3

- 6) Which of the following are the conditions for the emergence of a tropical cyclone?
- Strong Coriolis force
 - Absence of strong vertical wind
 - Large and continuous supply of warm and moist air.
 - Stable condition through the Troposphere

Select the correct answer code:

- 1, 2, 3
- 1, 2
- 1, 2, 4
- 1, 2, 3, 4

- 7) Consider the following statements regarding Geysers and Hot springs.
- In hot springs, water rises to the surface with an explosion.
 - Geysers are associated with thermal or volcanic region.

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3. Hot springs have some medical value since it contains dissolved minerals.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

8) Consider the following statements regarding the seamounts.

1. Seamount is a mountain with pointed summits, rising from the seafloor and reaches above the surface of the ocean.

2. They are volcanic in origin.

3. The Emperor seamount is situated in the Atlantic Ocean.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

9) The vertical pressure gradient force is much larger than that of the horizontal pressure gradient. But we do not experience strong upward winds, because of

- a) Strong frictional force in lower atmosphere
- b) Strong Coriolis force
- c) Strong Planetary winds
- d) Strong Gravitational force

10) Consider the following statements regarding the vertical distribution of ocean temperature.

1. The heat is transmitted from the surface of the ocean to the lower sections of the oceans through the process of convection.

2. A thermocline is the transition layer between warmer mixed water at the ocean's surface and cooler deep water below.

3. About 10 percent of the total volume of water is found below the thermocline in the deep ocean.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

11) Which of the following factors can cause tsunamis in the ocean?

- 1. Undersea earthquakes
- 2. Volcanic eruption
- 3. A large meteorite strike
- 4. Underwater landslide

Select the correct code:

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

12) The speed of tsunami waves in Ocean largely depends on

- a) Distance from the source of the wave
- b) Distance from mid-oceanic ridges
- c) Ocean depth
- d) Density of water

13) Consider the following statements.

1. High tides help in navigation as they raise the water level close to the shores.

2. More fish come closer to the shore during the Low tide.

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 pairs:

Ocean Current:	Type of Current:
1. Canaries current	Warm current
2. Brazilian current	Cold current
3. California current	Warm current

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

15) The Bay of Fundy, famous for its high tides, is located in

- a) Pacific Ocean
- b) Atlantic Ocean
- c) Indian Ocean
- d) Arctic Ocean

16) Consider the following statements.

1. Heat waves begin when high pressure in the atmosphere moves in and pushes warm air toward the ground.

2. A hot spell is labelled as a 'Heat Wave' only when temperatures are above the historical average in an area for more than one week.

3. When heat waves occur, the wind and cloud cover are minimised, which makes the air hotter.

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Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

17) Consider the following statements.

1. Wet-bulb temperature combines heat and humidity to indicate how much evaporation can be absorbed into the air.
2. The wet bulb temperature is usually higher than the dry bulb temperature.
3. At wet-bulb temperatures above 35 degrees Celsius, it becomes difficult to reduce body temperature via sweating.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

18) Consider the following statements.

1. Relative humidity is greater over the continents and least over the oceans.
2. The temperature at which saturation occurs in a given sample of air is known as dew point.
3. High relative humidity of the air occurs when the air temperature approaches the dew point value.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

19) In deeper parts of oceans, primary production remains almost nil due to the absence of

- a) Upwelling of water
- b) Excess of sulphides
- c) Ocean currents
- d) Sunlight

20) The countries that border Red Sea are

1. Saudi Arabia
2. Yemen
3. Oman
4. Sudan
5. Eritrea

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

21) Consider the following statements regarding Chota Nagpur Plateau.

1. The Chota Nagpur Plateau is a plateau in eastern India, which covers much of Jharkhand state as well as adjacent parts of Odisha, West Bengal and Chhattisgarh.
2. The Indo-Gangetic plain lies to the north and east of the Chota Nagpur plateau.
3. The plateau has been formed by continental uplift from forces acting deep inside the earth.
4. The Krishna River flows through Chota Nagpur Plateau.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

22) Consider the following statements regarding Indian plate.

1. The Indian plate is tectonically separated from the Peninsular India plate.
2. It forms a convergent plate boundary with the Himalayas.
3. The plate extends to Pakistan and Myanmar as well.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

23) Consider the following statements regarding Peninsular Rivers.

1. The Peninsular rivers have shorter and shallower courses as compared to their Himalayan counterparts.
2. A large number of the Peninsular rivers are seasonal.
3. Peninsular rivers carry much larger silt as compared to Himalayan rivers which carry fresh water.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

24) Consider the following matches of rivers with their origin locations.

1. Sabarmati: Amarkantak
2. Brahmaputra: Kailash Range
3. Krishna: Mahabaleshwar

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4. Godavari: Trimbakeshwar
Which of the above is/are correctly matched?

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

25) Winter rainfall in Punjab, Haryana, Delhi and western Uttar Pradesh occurs mainly due to

1. Northeast monsoon crossing over the Bay of Bengal

2. Anti-cyclonic circulation patterns in Northern India in winter
3. Arrival of weak temperate cyclones from the Mediterranean Sea

Select the correct answer code:

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

26) Consider the following statements regarding Droughts.

1. Drought is the consequence of a natural reduction in the amount of precipitation over an extended period of time, usually a season or more in length.
2. Drought is often associated with high winds, high temperatures and high relative humidity.
3. Hydrological Drought occurs when available soil moisture is inadequate for healthy crop growth and cause extreme stress and wilting.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

27) Which of the following is the major difference between soils found in Peninsular India and Northern India?

- a) Soils of Northern India are of volcanic origin, whereas that of Peninsular India is that of geosyncline origin.
- b) Soils of Peninsular India are highly productive, whereas that of Northern India is largely alkaline and unproductive.
- c) Soils of Peninsular India are mainly formed by the decomposition of rocks in situ, whereas that of Northern India mainly by depositional work of rivers.
- d) All of the above

28) Consider the following statements regarding Saline soils.

1. Saline soils have more salts, largely because of dry climate and poor drainage.
2. Saline soils are also known as Urvara Soils.
3. They occur in arid and semi-arid regions, and in waterlogged and swampy areas.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

29) Floods are caused due to

1. Reduction in the infiltration rate of soil
2. Storm surge in the coastal areas
3. Surface run-off exceeding the carrying capacity of the river channels

Select the correct answer code:

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

30) Which of the following areas is least susceptible to landslides?

- a) Windward sides of Western Ghats
- b) Young mountainous areas in the Himalayas
- c) Undulated reliefs of Aravalli
- d) Areas near Khasi hills that experience frequent rainfall

31) Consider the following statements regarding Demographic trap.

1. Demographic trap is a combination of high fertility rates and declining mortality rates in developing countries.

2. Demographic transition is a phenomenon which refers to the historical shift from low birth rates and low death rates in societies with advanced technology, education and economic development to high birth rates and high death rates in societies with minimal technology, education and economic development.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

32) Consider the following statements regarding the term Literacy, as defined in Census operations in India.

1. Literacy is the ability to read and write with understanding in any language.
2. A person who can merely read but cannot write is not classified as literate.
3. Any formal education or minimum educational standard is necessary to be considered literate.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

33) Consider the following statements regarding Population pyramids.

1. If the base of the pyramid is wider than all the other sections, it implies that children constitute a lower part of the national population.
2. If men and women have equal population for all major age groups in a country, the population pyramid shows vertical symmetry.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

34) Grapevines thrive in the Mediterranean region because

1. Temperate climate of these regions suit the flowering and ripening of grapes
2. Natural rainfall is much sufficient here

Select the correct answer code:

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

35) The distinction between Kharif, Rabi and Zaid crops is not marked much in Southern India as compared to Northern India because

- a) the soil of peninsular India is more fertile than that of the northern plains
- b) proper irrigation facilities are present in southern India compared to northern India
- c) leaching is less pronounced in southern Indian soils compared to northern Indian soils
- d) tropical crops can be grown during any period in the year in Southern India due to the year around higher temperature

36) Which of the following are the examples of Foot loose Industries?

1. Computer chip industry
2. Diamond processing

3. Coal industry

Select the correct answer code:

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

37) Consider the following statements.

1. Bulk of the valuable minerals in India are products of pre-Palaeozoic age and are associated with metamorphic and igneous rocks of the peninsular India.

2. The vast alluvial plain tract of north India are rich in minerals of economic use.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

38) Dharwar rock system is considered special by geologists because

- a) It hosts the deepest diamond mines in India.
- b) It is the oldest system of rocks in India.
- c) It provides the first metamorphic sedimentary rocks in India.
- d) All of the above

39) Consider the following statements.

1. Primary activities are directly dependent on environment and utilise the earth's resources such as land, water, vegetation and minerals.

2. The activities of fishing, quarrying and Iron and steel industry are considered as Primary activities.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

40) Consider the following statements.

1. It is the ore which is used in manufacturing of aluminium.

2. It is mainly in tertiary deposits and is associated with laterite rocks.

3. It also occurs in the coastal tracts of India.

The above statements refer to

- a) Nickel
- b) Copper
- c) Bauxite
- d) None of the above

41) The term "Sub Urbanisation" refers to

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- a) Reduction of population in lower tier cities
- b) Movement of people from central urban area to satellite communities
- c) Population shift from rural areas into suburbs
- d) Movement of population from urban areas to rural areas
- 42) According to the census of India, Urban areas are differentiated from rural areas on the basis of
1. Size of the population of the area
 2. Composition of primary v/s non-primary employment
 3. GDP of the area and its resource base
 4. Presence of municipality, corporation, cantonment board or notified town area committee
- Select the correct answer code:
- a) 1, 2, 3
- b) 1, 2, 4
- c) 1, 2
- d) 1, 2, 3, 4
- 43) 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 correct?
- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 44) One can infer which of the following information from a population pyramid?
1. Distribution of various age groups in a population
 2. Gender composition based on age groups
 3. Density of population
 4. Reproductive capabilities and likelihood of the continuation of a species
- Select the correct answer code:
- a) 1, 2, 4
- b) 1, 2, 3
- c) 1, 2
- d) 1, 2, 3, 4
- 45) Consider the following statements.
1. The fertility rate refers to the number of live births per 1000 women in the child-bearing age group, usually taken to be 15 to 49 years.
 2. Reaping demographic dividend due to a higher population of working-age citizens is usually

- the last stage in the demographic transition of any society.
- 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) To understand the differences in local climates of India, we need to understand which of the following factors
1. Distribution of air pressure and winds on the surface of the earth
 2. Western disturbances
 3. Tropical depressions during the south-west monsoon period
- Select the correct answer code:
- a) 1, 2
- b) 1, 3
- c) 2, 3
- d) 1, 2, 3
- 47) Consider the following statements regarding Fold Mountains.
1. Fold mountains are created through a process called orogeny.
 2. They are created at convergent plate boundaries, sometimes called continental collision zones or compression zones.
 3. Most fold mountains are composed primarily of igneous rock.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- a) 1, 2
- b) 1, 3
- c) 2, 3
- d) 2 only
- 48) The standard meridian of India passes through which of the following states?
1. Uttar Pradesh
 2. Madhya Pradesh
 3. Odisha
 4. Telangana
- Select the correct answer code:
- a) 1, 2
- b) 1, 2, 3
- c) 2, 3
- d) 1, 2, 3, 4
- 49) Consider the following statements regarding distribution of salinity in water.
1. Generally salinity is high in land locked regions compared to estuaries.

2. Highest salinity is recorded between 0 to 10-degree latitude because of high temperature and high evaporation.
3. The salinity variation in the Pacific Ocean is mainly due to its shape and larger areal extent.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

50) Which of the following phenomenon is/are responsible for thunderstorms formation?

1. High temperature and humidity
2. Vertical wind
3. Orography
4. Condensation

Select the correct answer code:

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

51) Consider the following hills and their locations.

1. Shevaroy Hills: Eastern Ghats
2. Baba Budangiri Hills: Balaghat Range
3. Cardamom Hills: Western Ghats

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

52) In which of these regions, you are most likely to find a plant with breathing roots?

- a) Coastal areas
- b) Tundra
- c) Savannahs
- d) Deserts

53) What reasons can explain more number of debris avalanche in the Himalayas as compared to the Western Ghats?

1. Himalayas are mostly made up of metamorphic and igneous rocks which are not stable.
2. The Himalayas are tectonically active.
3. The slopes are very steep in Himalayas as compared to Western Ghats.

Choose the correct answer using the codes below:

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

- d) 1, 2, 3

54) Consider the following statements regarding Mountains

1. Block Mountains are created when large areas are broken and displaced vertically.
2. The uplifted blocks are termed as graben and the lowered blocks are called horsts.
3. The Aravali range in India is one of the oldest block mountain systems in the world.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

55) Consider the following statements:

1. Garo and Khasi hills are extensions of Purvanchals in Meghalaya forming water divide between Brahmaputra and Barak River.
2. Rajmahal Hills are formed from rocks dating from the Jurassic Period and named after the town of Rajmahal which lies to the east in the state of Jharkhand.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

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

4. Economy

- 1) An economy is said to have reached its highest possible efficiency when
 - a) Unemployment level has been consistently maintained at zero
 - b) Equal income level has been reached for all economic agents
 - c) Factors of production are allocated optimally in the production of goods and services
 - d) Economy is utilizing all its natural resources in production
- 2) Gross capital formation will necessarily increase if:
 1. Gross domestic savings increases
 2. Gross domestic consumption increases
 3. GDP increases

Select the correct answer code:

- a) 1 only

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

- 3) With reference to the currency market, the term “Convertibility” is used to denote
1. Freedom to exchange a country’s domestic currency into another currency.
 2. Freedom to invest globally.
 3. Freedom to residents to remit outside the country.

Select the correct answer code:

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

- 4) Consider the following statements.
1. GDP is the total market value of all goods and services produced in the economy during a particular year, excluding taxes and subsidies on products.
 2. Real GDP growth measures how much the production of goods and services in the economy has increased in actual physical terms during a year.
 3. Nominal GDP growth helps to measure the increase in incomes resulting from rise in both production and prices.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 5) Predatory pricing policy is designed to
- a) Drive competitors out of business
 - b) Maximise profits
 - c) Encourage entrants into the market
 - d) Attain least cost output

5. Art and Culture

- 1) Consider the following statements regarding the classical dance ‘Mohiniyattam’.
1. Mohiniyattam is essentially a group dance performance by women.
 2. The Lasya aspect of dance is dominant.
 3. It is based on secular themes.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only

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

- 2) Consider the following statements regarding Kathakali.
1. Kathakali has its source in Ramanattam and Krishnattam.
 2. It involves both dance and drama.
 3. It is also closely related to ancient martial-arts performance.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 3) The well-known Brihadisvara Temple is famous for houses paintings of Hindu deities and dedicated to Shiva, which was built by
- a) Pallava’s
 - b) Pandya’s
 - c) Vijaya nagara kingdom
 - d) Chola’s

- 4) The Buddha taught that suffering and unhappiness is caused because
1. We have cravings and desires which often cannot be fulfilled.
 2. We do not practice immobile asceticism.
 3. The basic condition of the existence of nature is suffering.

Select the correct answer code:

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

- 5) Madhyamaka and Yogacara are philosophical traditions related to
- a) Yoga
 - b) Vedanta
 - c) Tantra
 - d) Buddhism

6. History

- 1) Consider the following events:
1. First Anglo-Mysore war
 2. First Anglo Burmese war
 3. First Anglo Sikh war
 4. First Anglo Maratha war
- Arrange the above events in the chronological order of their occurrence
- a) 1-4-3-2
 - b) 1-4-2-3
 - c) 4-1-2-3
 - d) 4-1-3-2

- 2) Consider the following statements.
1. The Permanent Settlement system was introduced by the British to encourage investment in agriculture.
 2. The British expected the Permanent Settlement system would help the emergence of a class of yeomen farmers who would be loyal to 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

- 3) Consider the following statements regarding Deccan Riots.
1. The movement got support from the Poona Sarvajanik Sabha.
 2. The main motive of riots was to destroy the account books of the moneylender.
 3. Deccan Agriculturists Relief Act was passed which ensured that the farmers could not be arrested and imprisoned if they were unable to pay their debts.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 4) After consolidating their position in India, the Delhi Sultans introduced reforms in the land revenue administration. In this context, iqta lands were assigned to
- a) Courtyards for mosques
 - b) Religious leaders or religious institutions
 - c) Officials for their services
 - d) Expand the market in the hinterland of the empire

- 5) In the British-French rivalry to take control of Indian trade resulted in French failure. Which of the following can be the possible causes of the failure of the French?
1. England's victory in the European wars
 2. Commercial and naval superiority of the British
 3. Lack of support from the French government

Select the correct answer code:

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

7. Environment

- 1) Which of the following organisms are common pollinating agents in flowering Plants?

1. Wasp
2. Bees
3. Bat
4. Ants

Select the correct answer code:

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

- 2) Ecological Succession is generally characterized by

1. Increased productivity
2. Increased complexity of food webs
3. Decreased niche development

Select the correct answer code:

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

- 3) Consider the following statements.

1. Oxygen is less soluble in warmer water.
2. The areas of Sea water that is depleted of dissolved oxygen is called Anoxic waters.
3. Ocean deoxygenation is the maximum reduction of oxygen minimum zones in the world's oceans as a consequence of anthropogenic emissions of carbon dioxide.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

d) 1, 2, 3

4) Which of the following In situ Bioremediation techniques are correctly matched?

1. Bioaugmentation: Introduction of a group of natural microbial strains or a genetically engineered strain to treat contaminated soil or water.

2. Biosparging: Injection of air under pressure below the water table to increase ground water oxygen concentrations and to enhance the rate of biological degradation of contaminants by naturally occurring bacteria.

Select the correct answer code:

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

5) Which of the following are the common characteristics of invasive species?

- 1. Rapid reproduction and growth.
- 2. Very low dispersal ability.
- 3. Phenotypic plasticity.

Select the correct answer code:

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

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