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POLITY

1. Consider the following statements:

- Punjab government recently issued a "hue and cry notice" against pro-Khalistan preacher Amritpal Singh.
- 2. A 'hue and cry' notice against a fugitive contains a description of the criminal and the last known location.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

2. Consider the following statements:

- CAT had been established (under Administrative Tribunal Act, 1985) under Article 323 –B of constitution.
- 2. There are 17 Benches and 21 Circuit Benches in the Central Administrative Tribunal all over India.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

3. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Kesavananda Bharati case, which gave doctrine of Basic Structure, completed 40 years recently.
- 2. SC struck down 99th amendment act of NJAC on basis of judicial independence being part of basic structure.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

ECONOMY

- 1. Which state has become first state in the country to achieve 100% electrification of its railway network?
- A. Goa
- B. Gujarat
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Haryana

ANSWER: D

- 2. Consider the following statements:
- 1. The Reserve Bank of India was established on April 1, 1945.
- 2. Sir Osborne Smith was the first Governor of the Bank.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

3. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Polavaram Project will facilitate an inter-basin water transfer from the Krishna to the Godavari.
- 2. It was accorded national status in 2014.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 4. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Nagri Dubraj rice variety from Jharkhand recently got a GI tag.
- 2. The rice is of an indigenous variety and has small grains.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

5. Adamchini Rice has got GI tag from the state of-

- A. Assam
- B. West Bengal
- C. Uttar Pradesh
- D. Madhya Pradesh

ANSWER: C

6. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Ladakh's wood carving has been granted GI Tag recently.
- 2. Its intricate designs and unique patterns are mostly inspired by Buddhist themes and motifs.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

7. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Monetary Policy Committee consists of 6 members with Finance Minster as Chairman.
- 2. MPC is required to meet at least three times in a year.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

- 8. Mircha or Marcha rice has been granted GI Tag recently. It belongs to the state of-
- A. Bihar
- B. Jharkhand
- C. Chhattisgarh
- D. Madhya Pradesh

ANSWER: A

9. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Dabba trading is informal trading that takes place outside the purview of stock exchanges.
- 2. Dabba traders pay taxes on their income and capital gains.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

10. Consider the following statements:

1. Cumbum grapes from Kerala recently got GI Tag.

2. The Cumbum Valley located in the Western Ghats is known as the 'Grapes City of South India'.

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Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

11. Mission 50K-EV4ECO has been recently launched by-

- A. Sidbi
- B. Nabard
- C. Icici bank
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: A

12. Consider the following statements:

- Stablecoins are cryptocurrencies whose value is pegged to that of another currency, commodity, or financial instrument.
- 2. The first stablecoin, created in 2014, was Tether.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

13. A bank that is practically insolvent but continues to exist through hiding bad loans on their balance sheet is known as-

- A. Zombie Bank
- B. Dead Bank
- C. Fraud Bank
- D. Floating Bank

ANSWER: A

14. Consider the following statements:

- Logistics Performance Index 2023 is released by World Bank.
- 2. Singapore topped the index.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

15. Consider the following statements:

 SFIO is a multi-disciplinary organization under Ministry of Finance. 2. It has the power to arrest accused people for violation of Company law.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

16. Consider the following statements about Mahila Samman Savings Certificate Scheme:

- 1. It offers an attractive interest rate of 7.5 per cent compounded quarterly.
- 2. The minimum investment amount is Rs 10000, and the maximum investment authorised is Rs 2 lakh.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

- 17. Manamadurai pottery from _____recently got the Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- A. Kerala
- B. Andhra Pradesh
- C. Karnataka
- D. Tamil Nadu

ANSWER: D

GEOGRAPHY

- 1. Mount Kilimanjaro is located in which of the following countries?
- A. Kenya
- B. Rwanda
- C. Uganda
- D. Tanzania

ANSWER: D

- 2. Pindari Glacier is located in which state/UT?
- A. Uttarakhand
- B. Ladakh
- C. Sikkim
- D. Himachal Pradesh

ANSWER: A

- 3. Consider the following statements:
- 1. A Zero Shadow Day is a day on which the Sun does not cast a shadow of an object at solar noon.
- ZSD happens twice a year for all locations on earth.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

ART AND CULTURE

- 1. Yangli festival is celebrated once every three years by tribe.
- A. Bodo
- B. Mizo
- C. Khasi
- D. Tiwa

ANSWER: D

- 2. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Indian Council of Historical Research is preparing to release records of people's ancestors.
- 2. ICHR is an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Culture.
- Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

- 3. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Thiramahotsavam is celebrated in the state of Karnataka.
- 2. Poothan and Thira is a dance form usually performed by people belonging to Mannan and Perumannan communities.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

4. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York has announced that it will return 15 Indian sculptures.
- 2. Antiquities in India are governed by the Antiquities and Art Treasures Act, 1972

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

5. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Bidriware art work has GI Tag from Karnataka.
- 2. This craft was developed by the Bahamani sultans.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

6. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Sewri Fort is located on Parcel Island in Mumbai.
- 2. It was built by British in 1680.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

7. Thawe festival was recently celebrated in-

- A. Jharkhand
- B. Arunachal Pradesh
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Bihar

ANSWER: D

8. Kamakhya Temple is located in which of the following states?

- A. Assam
- B. West Bengal
- C. Bihar

D. Madhya Pradesh

ANSWER: A

9. Consider the following statements:

1. Members of the Hakki Pikki tribal community from Karnataka are stuck in violence-hit Sudan.

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2. They are a semi-nomadic tribe, traditionally of bird catchers and hunters.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

10. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Zafar Mahal is the last structure built by the Mughals.
- 2. It was built in memory of the Hazrat Khwaja Qutubuddin Bakthiar Kaki.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

11. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Basaveshwara was a 10th century poet in Karnataka.
- 2. Basava Purana, which holds full account to Basavanna's life and ideas, was written by Palkuriki Somanatha in 13th-century.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

12. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Pushkaralu festival has returned to the Ganga after a gap of 12 years.
- 2. The celebration happens annually, once in 12 years along each of the 12 rivers which are associated with a zodiac sign.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

13. Consider the following statements:

- Sun Temple at Konark was built by King Narasimha Deva I of the Eastern Ganga Dynasty in 1244.
- 2. It is built using Khondalite rocks and is called 'Black Pagoda' due to its dark colour.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

14. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Hemis Monastery is the largest monastic institution in Ladakh.
- 2. Thiksey Monastery is known for annual Gustor Festival.

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Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

1. Consider the following statements:

- 1. An "einstein tile" is a shape that could be singularly used to create a non-repeating (aperiodic) pattern on an infinitely large plane.
- 2. It is not related to Albert Einstein.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

2. Consider the following statements:

- 1. India has initiated an anti-dumping probe into imports of poisonous chemical sodium cyanide.
- 2. It is used for extraction of gold and silver from their respective ores.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

3. Consider the following statements:

- Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services is an autonomous institution under Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
- 2. INCOIS is located in Hyderabad, Telangana.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only

- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 4. National Centre of Excellence in Technology for Internal Security is a joint initiative between Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology and -
- A. IIT Bombay
- B. IIT Delhi
- C. IIT Ropar
- D. IIT Madras.

ANSWER: A

- 5. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Zero-Click tools can remotely compromise devices without any activity or prompt from owner.
- 2. Zero-click attacks are easy to detect.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

- 6. Which of the following substance has been classified as pesticide by European Commission lately?
- A. Ethylene oxide
- B. Ethane
- C. Ethyl alcohol
- D. Etherium

ANSWER: A

- 1. Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) is one of the rarest human viruses in the world.
- 2. Recent research shows that 'EBV' virus that spreads through saliva can lead to cancer.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 8. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Blastomycosis, seen in news, is a rare bacterial infection.

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2. Blatomyces is endemic to Michigan state, USA.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

DEFENSE

1. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The 2nd edition of the joint military exercise "the Africa-India Field Training Exercise (AFINDEX-2023)" concluded recently in Tamil Nadu.
- 2. All nations of the African continent participated in the exercise.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER:

- 2. Cope India exercise is a bilateral combined training session between India and-
- A. Japan
- B. China
- C. UK
- D. USA

ANSWER: D

- 3. A new spy satellite, named Ofek-13, has been launched by-
- A. Israel
- B. India
- C. USA
- D. China

ANSWER: A

- 4. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Mark 54 are anti-submarine torpedoes that India is planning to import.
- 2. It can operate in shallow waters and in the presence of countermeasures.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

- Combined Commanders' Conference is a biannual event where the country's top military brass come together.
- 2. The theme of the conference was 'Ready, Resurgent, Relevant'.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 5. SLINEX is annual bilateral exercise between-
- A. India and Srilanka
- B. India and Seychells
- C. India and Singapore
- D. India and Myanmar

ANSWER: A

6. Consider the following statements:

- 1. National Technical Research Organisation was established in 2004 on the recommendations of Girish Chanda Saxena taskforce.
- 2. It is a technical intelligence agency under Ministry of Defence.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

- 7. India's joint military exercise held recently under Andaman and Nicobar Command is named as-
- A. Kavach
- B. Prahar
- C. Ekta
- D. Dhanush

ANSWER: A

- 8. Consider the following statements:
- 1. A Unified Portal of CBN was launched recently to facilitate a balance between narcotics substance availability for legal use and law compliance.
- Central Board of Narcotics is an office under Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

- 9. Meraj 532 is a kamikaze drone launched by-
- A. USA
- B. Israel
- C. Saudi Arabia
- D. Iran

ANSWER: D

10. A multinational wargame named Orion, is being hosted by-

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- A. USA
- B. Germany
- C. France
- D. UK

ANSWER: C

11. Consider the following statements:

1. India is going to buy 250 more Pralay ballistic missiles for its northern borders.

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2. It is a quasi-ballistic surface-to-air missile.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

- 12. Indian Air Force will participate in Exercise INIOCHOS-23, being hosted by-
- A. France
- B. Greece
- C. United Kingdom
- D. Indonesia

ANSWER: B

13. Consider the following statements:

- 1. India's Ballistic Missile Defence Programme was started after 1975 war.
- 2. Advanced Air Defence (AAD) Missile is for high altitude interception.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

- 14. Exercise Ajeya Warrior is a bieenial Training event between India and-
- A. UK
- B. USA
- C. Japan
- D. France

ANSWER: A

SPACE

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- Coronal holes are areas which appear dark in solar corona in extreme ultraviolet and soft x-ray solar images.
- 2. They have higher temperatures than their surroundings.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

2. ISRO has recently released a Global False Colour Composite mosaic of images captured by the Ocean Colour Monitor. OCM was a payload on ____satellite.

- A. EOS-01
- B. EOS-03
- C. EOS-05
- D. EOS-06

ANSWER: D

3. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Reusable Launch Vehicle is essentially a space plane with a low lift to drag ratio.
- 2. It can travel to geostationary orbits to deliver payloads and return to earth for use again.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

4. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Cassiopeia A is a remnant of a massive star that exploded about 340 years ago.
- 2. It is located nearly 11 light years away from earth.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

5. BH1 and Gaia BH2, seen recently in news, are-

- A. Galaxies
- B. Exo-planets
- C. Minor planets in kuiper belt
- D. Blackholes

ANSWER: D

6. Consider the following statements:

1. Trojan Asteroids are space rocks which have been gravitationally trapped in Saturn's orbit around the Sun.

2. Juice mission is the first project sent to study the Trojan asteroids.

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Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

7. ISRO is set to launch Earth Observation satellite called TeLEOS-2 made by-

- A. Angola
- B. Singapore
- C. Indonesia
- D. Malaysia

ANSWER: B

8. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Exobiology Extant Life Surveyor is a project by European Space Agency.
- 2. It's special focus is on Encaladus, the sixth largest moon of Jupiter.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

9. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Quasars are very bright, distant and active supermassive black holes.
- 2. 1 parsec is a unit of time used in astronomy, equal to about 3.26 light years.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

ENVIRONMENT

1. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Pench Tiger reserve spreads across Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.
- 2. It is named after Pench river, which flows from west to east through the reserve.
- Which of the following statements is/ are correct?
- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

- 1. Salt marshes are coastal wetlands that are flooded and drained by salt water brought in by the tides.
- 2. They are dominated by grasses and other salttolerant plants such as sedges, cordgrass, rushes, and mangroves.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

- 3. Mukupirna fortidentata, an extinct ancient marsupial, has been recently discovered from-
- A. USA
- B. Madagascar
- C. China
- D. Australia

ANSWER: D

- 4. World's first liquid hydrogen-powered ferry 'MF HYDRA' was launched in-
- A. Norway
- B. Denmark
- C. Sweden
- D. Finland

ANSWER: A

- 5. Consider the following statements:
- 1. India's first cool roof policy was recently announced by Gujarat government.
- 2. A cool roof is mandatory for residential buildings that have a plot area of 600 sq yards or more.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 6. A butterfly subspecies, Caltoris bromus sadasiva, has been discovered recently in-
- A. Kerala
- B. Goa
- C. Karnataka
- D. Meghalaya

ANSWER: A

- 7. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Netravali Wildlife Sanctuary is located in Maharashtra.

2. Netravali river is an important tributary of Godavari.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

- 8. Subansiri Lower Dam project is located on Subansiri, which is a tributary of-
- A. Teesta
- B. Surma
- C. Dhansiri
- D. Brahmaputra

ANSWER: D

- 9. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary is located in Manipur.
- 2. Idu Mishmi people are of mongoloid stock and speak the Tibeto-Burman language.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 10. Sea Lamprey, seen recently in news is a kind of-
- A. Fish
- B. Sea weed
- C. Phytoplankton
- D. Coral

ANSWER: A

- 11. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Tropospheric Emissions Monitoring of Pollution (TEMPO) air pollution monitoring instrument has been launched by NASA.
- 2. It is situated in low earth orbit and monitors North America.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

- 12. India's first solar-powered tourist boat called Sooryamshu has been launched in-
- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Karnataka

C. Gujarat

D. Kerala

ANSWER: D

13. Consider the following statements:

- 1. World's first conservation and breeding center for the Asian king vulture is coming up in Madhya Pradesh.
- 2. IUCN Status for Asian King Vulture is Endangered.

Which of the following statements is/ are incorrect?

A. 1 only

B. 2 only

C. Both 1 and 2

D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

14. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Miyawaki technique involves planting two to four types of indigenous trees within every square meter.
- 2. The trees become self-sustainable within three years.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 2 only

C. Both 1 and 2

D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

15. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Mudumalai Tiger Reserve is located at the trijunction of Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu.
- 2. It is a part of Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 2 only

C. Both 1 and 2

D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

16. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Bioluminescence in oceans occurs only in planktons.
- 2. Planktons are a group of marine and freshwater organisms that swim against the currents.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 2 only

C. Both 1 and 2

D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

17. Consider the following statements:

1. Sri Lanka is considering exporting 1 lakh endangered Toque Macaque monkeys to China.

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2. They are native and endemic exclusively to Sri Lanka.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 2 only

C. Both 1 and 2

D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

18. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Garra Laishrami is a newly discovered crocodile species found in the Kolab River.
- 2. Kolab river is one of the main tributaries of Cauvery.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 2 only

C. Both 1 and 2

D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

19. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Sea Cucumbers are invertebrates that live on the seafloor.
- Andaman administration created the world's first conservation area for sea cucumbers.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 2 only

C. Both 1 and 2
D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

20. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The wheat blast is a viral disease that affects wheat production in tropical and subtropical regions.
- 2. Asia's first outbreak of this pathogenic wheat blast was reported in Pakistan.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

A. 1 only

B. 2 only

C. Both 1 and 2

D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

21. Consider the following statements:

- 1. A previously unknown coral reef has been discovered in Galapagos Islands.
- 2. Galapagos Islands are under the control of Chile.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

22. Consider the following statements regarding report on First Census of water bodies:

- 1. 97.1% of total water bodies enumerated, are in rural areas.
- 2. West Bengal's South 24 Parganas district has highest number of waterbodies.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

23. Gandhi Sagar Wildlife sanctuary is located in -

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- A. Maharashtra
- B. Karnataka
- C. Rajasthan
- D. Madhya Pradesh

ANSWER: D

24. Namthing Pokhar and Amkhoi Fossil Park are new Biodiversity Heritage Sites in-

- A. Maharashtra
- B. West Bengal
- C. Sikkim
- D. Himachal Pradesh

ANSWER: B

25. Consider the following statements:

- 1. A tiger was recently sighted in Kalesar National Park after 110 years.
- It is located in Uttarakhand.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

INTERNATIONAL

1. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure was launched in 2019 by Indian PM.
- 2. CDRI headquarters are located in Mumbai.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

2. Consider the following statements:

- 1. India has been elected recently to United Nations Statistical Commission for a 5 year term.
- 2. It consists of 24 member countries of UN.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 3. Consider the following statements:
- 1. United Nation Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific has headquarters in Shanghai.
- 2. It has 53 member states and 9 associate members.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 4. India's joint military exercise held recently under Andaman and Nicobar Command is named as-
- A. Kavach
- B. Prahar
- C. Ekta
- D. Dhanush

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- B. Prahar
- C. Ekta
- D. Dhanush

ANSWER: A

6. Consider the following statements:

- 1. UN Democracy Fund was created in 2015.
- 2. India has been a member of its Advisory Board since the beginning.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

7. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Sewri Fort is located on Parcel Island in Mumbai.
- 2. It was built by British in 1680.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

8. Consider the following statements:

- 1. India recently signed a MoU with World Food Program for sending wheat to Afghanistan.
- 2. WFP is headquartered in Rome, Italy.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

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- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

9. Chabahar Port is located in-

- A. Gulf of Yemen
- B. Gulf of Aden
- C. Gulf of Oman
- D. Persian Gulf

ANSWER: C

10. Olkiluoto 3 nuclear reactor, seen recently in news, is located in-

A. Norway

- B. Sweden
- C. China
- D. Finland

ANSWER: D

11. External Affairs Minister recently inaugurated the Buzi Bridge. It is located in

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- A. Sudan
- B. Mozambique
- C. Zambia
- D. Ivory Coast

ANSWER: B

12. Preparedness and Resilience for Emerging Threats (PRET) initiative is launched by-

- A. World Health Organisation
- B. NATO
- C. BRICS
- D. Shanghai Cooperation Organisation

ANSWER: A

13. Consider the following statements:

- 1. CARICOM is a grouping of thirty countries in the Caribbean.
- 2. The CARICOM Secretariat in Georgetown, Guyana.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

14. Nagorno-Karabakh region is internationally recognized to be part of-

- A. Armenia
- B. Azerbaijan
- C. Both
- D. None

ANSWER: B

15. India and _____will jointly create a NET Zero Innovation Virtual Centre.

- A. Tanzania
- B. USA
- C. United Kingdom
- D. Israel

ANSWER: C

DAYS TO REMEMBER

1. World Backup Day is observed on-

- A. March 28
- B. March 29
- C. March 30
- D. March 31

ANSWER: D

2. Consider the following statements:

- 1. World Autism Awareness Day is observed every year on April 1st.
- 2. The theme for World Autism Awareness Day 2023 is "Transforming the narrative: Contributions at home, at work, in the arts, and in policymaking".

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

3. Odisha Day or Utkal Divas is celebrated on April 1st. The state was formed in the year-

- A. 1934
- B. 1935
- C. 1936
- D. 1951

ANSWER: C

4. International Conscience Day is celebrated on-

- A. April 3rd
- B. April 4th
- C. April 5th
- D. April 6th

ANSWER: C

5. The International Day of Sport for Development and Peace is celebrated on-

- A. April 3rd
- B. April 4th
- C. April 5th

12. World Heritage Day is observed on-

- A. April 16th
- B. April 17th
- C. April 18th
- D. April 19th

ANSWER: C

13. World Liver Day is observed on-

- A. April 19th
- B. April 18th
- C. April 17th

D. April 6th

ANSWER: D

6. National Maritime Day is observed on-

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- A. April 4th
- B. April 5th
- C. April 6th
- D. April 7th

ANSWER: B

7. World Health Day is observed every year on-

- A. April 5th
- B. April 6th
- C. April 7th
- D. April 8th

ANSWER: C

8. World Homeopathy Day is celebrated on

- National Safe Motherhood Day, in India, is celebrated on-
- A. April 9th
- B. April 10th
- C. April 11th
- D. April 12th

ANSWER: C

10. World Art Day is celebrated on April 15th to commemorate the birthday of-

- A. Vincent van Gogh
- B. Leonardo da Vinci
- C. Pablo Picasso
- D. Salvador Dali

ANSWER: B

11. World Hemophilia Day is celebrated every year on-

- A. April 14th
- B. April 15th
- C. April 16th
- D. April 17th

ANSWER: D

D. April 16th

ANSWER: A

14. World Creativity and Innovation Day is celebrated annually on-

- A. April 21st
- B. April 22ND
- C. April 23RD
- D. April 24TH

15. World Book and Copyright Day is observed on April 23rd every year. Its theme this year is -

12. Consider the following statements:

- 1. World Intellectual Property Day is observed annually on April 28th.
- 2. Its theme this year is "Women and IP: Accelerating Innovation and Creativity."

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

13. Consider the following statements:

- 1. World Veterinary Day is celebrated on the last Friday of April every year.
- 2. World Veterinary Association is headquartered at Rome, Italy.

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Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

PERSON NEWS

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Shyamji Krishna Varma founded 'The India House' and 'The Indian Sociologist'.
- 2. He taught Hindi at the Oxford University.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- 2. Salim Durani, who passed away recently, was associated with the sport of-
- A. Cricket
- B. Hockey
- C. Swimming
- D. Polo

ANSWER: A

3. Allu Ramesh, who passed away recently, was a famous-

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- A. Actor
- B. Cricketer
- C. Painter
- D. Writer

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

ANSWER: A

- 4. Consider the following statements:
- 1. A group of Israeli researchers have picked up distress noises made by plants.
- 2. JC Bose invented the crescograph, a device for measuring the growth of plants.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

5. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Parkash Singh Badal held the post of CM of Punjab for record 7 terms.
- 2. He was also awarded with Padma Vibhushan.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 6. Mohammed Shahabuddin Chuppu has recently become the president of-
- A. Iran
- B. Iraq
- C. Afghanistan
- D. Bangladesh

ANSWER: D

INDEX AND REPORTS

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- World Energy Transition Outlook 2023 has been released by International Renewable Energy Agency.
- 2. Headquarters of IRENA are located in Rome, Italy.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

- 2. Global Trade Outlook and Statistics 2023 is released by-
- A. World bank
- B. World trade organization
- C. International monetary fund
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: B

- 3. 'Environment Statistics 2023' report has been recently released by -
- A. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate change
- B. Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation
- C. The Energy and Research Institute
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: B

- 4. Business Environment Rankings are released by-
- A. World Bank
- B. World Trade Organisation
- C. Standard and Poor Ratings Agency
- D. Economist Intelligence Unit

ANSWER: D

- 5. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Ransomware Report 2022 was recently released by CERT-In.

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2. CERT-In, under Ministry of Defence is the national nodal agency for responding to computer security threats.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

- 6. Farmer Distress Index was recently developed by-
- A. Central Research Institute for Dryland Agriculture
- B. Indian Institute of Soil and Water Conservation
- C. Vivekananda Parvatiya Krishi Anusandhan Sansthan
- D. Central Plantation Crops Research Institute

ANSWER: A

- 7. Consider the following statements:
- 1. India has retained 3rd spot in Global Unicorn Index 2023.
- 2. It is released by Economist Intelligence Unit.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

APPOINTMENTS

- Who has taken over as Vice-Chief of Naval Staff recently?
- A. Sanjay Jasjit Singh
- B. AP Singh
- C. Jatin Saluja
- D. Hardeep Singh Pannu

POLICY AND PROGRAMME

1. Consider the following statements:

- As per recent news, Phase 2 of the FAME scheme to subsidize electric vehicles has achieved only 51.96 per cent of its target.
- Faster Adoption and Manufacturing of (Hybrid &)
 Electric Vehicles in India (FAME India) Scheme
 was formulated by the Ministry of Road Transport
 and Highways.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

2. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Uttar Pradesh disbursed the highest number of loans under PM Svanidhi.
- 2. PM Svanidhi is a Central Sector Scheme fully funded by Ministry of Finance.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

3. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Sports Authority of India has recently integrated Khelo India Games Certificates with Digilocker.
- 2. DigiLocker is a flagship initiative of the Ministry of Electronics & IT.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

4. Consider the following statements:

- 'The Language Friendship Bridge' project was recently launched by Indian Council of Historical Research.
- 2. For now, 10 languages have been selected under the project.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only

- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

5. Consider the following statements:

1. Vibrant Village Programme is applicable in all the states of north-east India.

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2. It is a central sector scheme.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: D

6. Consider the following statements:

- "Marketing and Logistics Development for Promotion of Tribal Products from the North-Eastern Region (PTP-NER)" was launched by Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.
- It is a Central Sector Scheme for the benefit of Scheduled Tribes of the North-eastern Region.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

7. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Ministry of Health and Family welfare, in partnership with Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has started 100 Food Streets Initiative.
- 2. It will be implemented with technical support from the Quality Council of India.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

8. Consider the following statements:

- Pradhan Mantri Urja Ganga Project aims at providing natural gas in western India.
- 2. The project is being implemented by GAIL.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 9. Consider the following statements:
- 1. PMJDY is a National Mission on Financial Inclusion to ensure access to financial services.
- 2. It provides basic savings bank accounts with overdraft facility of Rs. 20,000 to every eligible adult.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

A. 1 only

- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

10. State Wide Attention on Grievances by Application of Technology-SWAGAT initiative which recently completed 20 years, is an initiative of which state?

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- A. Kerala
- B. Punjab
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Gujarat

ANSWER: D

SOCIAL EDUCATION HEALTH

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Type 2 diabetes usually occurs in children and young adolscents.
- 2. It is a chronic condition in which the pancreas produces little or no insulin.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- Hikikomori, seen in news recently, is a Japanese term used to describe-
- A. Nationalism
- B. Cleanliness
- C. Social isolation
- D. A fish species

ANSWER: C

- 3. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Tanzania became the first country to approve a new malaria vaccine R21.
- 2. The vaccine is being manufactured by Serum Institute of India.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 4. Consider the following statements:
- 1. N-nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA) is a volatile organic chemical that occurs widely in the environment.
- 2. It is classified as a probable human carcinogen.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

- 5. Consider the following statements:
- 1. "The Big Catch-up" is an international initiative to capture Fugitive Economic Offenders (FEO).
- 2. It will have a particular focus on 20 countries including India.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 6. IIT Madras is set to establish the first Indian Institute of Technology in Africa in-
- A. Uganda
- B. South Africa
- C. Tanzania
- D. Ivory Coast

ANSWER: C

SPROTS

- 1. Who has recently won the Australian GP?
- A. Lewis Hamilton
- B. Fernando Alonso
- C. Sergio Perez
- D. Max Verstappen

ANSWER: D

- 2. Who has won the tennis Miami Open 2023?
- A. Carlos Alcaraz
- B. Jannik Sinner
- C. Daniil Medvedev
- D. Novak Djokovic

ANSWER: C

- 3. Sanjita Chanu, who has been banned for four years by the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) of India, is associated with-
- A. Boxing
- B. Weightlifting
- C. Tennis
- D. Hurdles

ANSWER: B

- 4. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Know Your Medicine web and mobile application has been developed by National Anti-Doping

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2. NADA is under the purview of Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

- 5. Who has become the fastest bowler to take 100 wickets in the Indian Premier League?
- A. Kagiso Rabada
- B. Adam Zampa
- C. Arshdeep Singh
- D. Andrew Tye

ANSWER: A

AWARDS

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Olive Crown Awards are given to commend individuals and corporates that promoted sustainability or 'green advertising'.
- 2. P. N. Mohan has won 'Green Crusader of the Year' award for his commitment to restoring seven lakes near Chennai.
- Which of the following statements is/ are correct?
- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **ANSWER: C**
- 2. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Utsa Patnaik has been selected for the Malcolm Adiseshiah Award 2023.
- 2. It recognizes and honours the outstanding contributions of filmmakers.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2

- D. Neither 1 nor 2
- **ANSWER: A**
- 3. Raj Subramaniam was awarded Pravasi Bharatiya Samman award this year. He is the CEO of-
- A. Mastercard
- B. FedEx
- C. Uber
- D. Yahoo
- **ANSWER: B**
- 4. Consider the following statements:
- 1. National Panchayat Awards are given to the bestperforming Panchayats by assessing their performance in the attainment of SDGs.
- 2. These annual awards were first instituted in 2015.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

- 5. Who has become first female Air Force officer to receive a gallantry medal?
- A. Avani Chaturvedi

- B. Shivangi Singh
- C. Bhawana Kanth
- D. Deepika Misra

ANSWER: D

MISCELLANEOUS QUESTION

1. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Vaikom Satyagraha was a non-violent movement in Tamil Nadu.
- The first Foundational Literacy and Numeracy Assessment Test (FLNAT) was held across all states to assess the basic Reading, Writing and Numeracy skills.
- First International Zero Waste Day was observed on March 30th.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

2. Consider the following statements:

- During Vaikom Satyagaraha, Akalis from Punjab helped by establishing kitchens (langars) to feed the Satyagrahis.
- 2. New India Literacy Programme is a central sector scheme.
- International Zero Waste Day was jointly facilitated by the UN Environment Programme (UNEP) and the UN Human Settlements Programme.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

3. Consider the following statements:

- 1. K. Kelappan was also known as Kerala Gandhi.
- New India Literacy Programme targets all nonliterates of age 18 years and above in the country.
- Garbage Free Cities (GFC) Star rating protocol was launched in 2018 under Swachh Bharat Mission- Rural 2.0.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

A. 1 & 2 only

- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

4. Consider the following statements:

1. An ultramassive black hole with over 30 billion times the mass of our Sun has been discovered recently.

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- 2. Nevado del Ruiz volcano is located in Peru.
- 3. Recently, Russia has decided to join Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

5. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Gravitational lensing is a phenomenon where the path of light from a distant object is bent by the gravitational field of a massive object.
- 2. Nevado del Ruiz is a part of Rockies mountain range.
- Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership is an 11-nation Indo-Pacific free-trade bloc.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

- 1. The effect of gravitational lensing was first predicted by Isaac Newton.
- 2. Nevado del Ruiz is a stratovolcano situated in the Ring of Fire.
- 3. USA is a member of Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

7. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Leishmania parasites which causes kala azar are transmitted through the bites of infected female anopheles mosquito.
- 2. Eravikulam National Park is located in southern Western Ghats in Tamil Nadu.
- 3. Project Tiger was launched in the year 1973.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

8. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Humans have been found as natural reservoir hosts of Leishmania parasites.
- 2. Anamudi is the highest peak of the Indian Peninsula.
- 3. National Tiger Conservation Authority is headed by Prime Minister.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

9. Consider the following statements:

- The four States endemic for kala-azar in India are Bihar, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal, and Uttar Pradesh.
- 2. IUCN status of Nilgiri Tahr is critically endangered.
- 3. Currently India is home to more than 70% of the global tiger population.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

10. Consider the following statements:

 National Geophysical Research Institute has found large deposits of 15 Rare Earth Elements (REE) in Karnataka.

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- 2. Finland has officially become the 31st member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization
- 3. Lord Mahavira delivered his first sermon at Pava.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

11. Consider the following statements:

- 1. REEs are all metals having many similar properties.
- NATO is a military alliance established by the North Atlantic Treaty, also called the Washington Treaty.
- 3. Lord Mahavira was the 23rd Tirthankara of Jainism.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

12. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Red Mud is a toxic byproduct of aluminum extraction from bauxite ore.
- 2. NATO headquarters are located in New York.
- 3. Lord Mahavira passed away at the age of 72 and attained moksha or liberation at Pavapuri.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

13. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Prosopis chilensis, seen recently in news, is a species of catfish.
- 2. Bureau of Indian Standards is the certifying authority for the Quality Control Orders.
- 3. Basohli Painting from Jammu recently got the Geographical Indication Tag.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

A. 1 & 2 only

- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

14. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Prosopis chilensis is a drought-resistant plant native to the arid regions of Africa.
- World Trade Organisation is the only global international organization dealing with the rules of trade between nations.
- 3. Basholi Paiting is considered the first school of Pahari paintings.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

15. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Gulf of Mannar Biosphere Reserve is India's first marine biosphere reserve.
- 2. WTO is headquartered at Geneva, Switzerland.
- 3. The Basholi painting style flourished during the 17th and 18th centuries under the patronage of local rulers.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

16. Consider the following statements:

- Stand up India Scheme, launched by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, recently completed 7 years.
- 2. International Finance Corporation (IFC) recently declared that it will not support investments in new coal projects.
- Parambikulam Tiger Reserve is located in Tamil Nadu.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

17. Consider the following statements:

1. Stand Up India Scheme aims to promote entrepreneurship amongst women, SC & ST category.

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- International Finance Corporation is the largest global development institution focused exclusively on the public sector in developing countries.
- 3. Parambikulam Tiger Reserve has first scientifically managed teak plantation in the world.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

18. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Government does not allocate funds for loans under Stand-Up India Scheme.
- 2. India is not a member of International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes.
- 3. Parambikulam Tiger Reserve has one of the world's largest and oldest teak tree named "Kannimara".

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

19. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Laser Gravitational-Wave Observatories (LIGO)-India, a gravitational-wave detector will be built in Tamil Nadu.
- 2. Babu Jagjivan Ram was born in Bihar.
- 3. Kongthong village which is India's whistling village is located in Meghalaya.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

- 1. LIGO- India observatory will be the third of its kind, other two are in Canada.
- 2. Babu Jagjivan Ram founded Akhil Bhartiya Ravidas Mahasabha.

3. Kongthong people belong to Garo tribe.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

21. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Gravitational Waves travel at the speed of light.
- 2. Babu Jagjivan Ram remained a parliamentarian for 50 uninterrupted years, from 1936 to 1986.
- Kongthong is known for unique tradition of 'Jingrwai Lawbei' meaning the Song of the Clan's First Woman.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

22. Consider the following statements:

- Government has identified and documented distinctive features of more than 10 lakh villages under Mera Gaon Meri Dharohar programme.
- 2. Project Elephant recently completed 50 years.
- 3. Under the Genome India project, 1000 genomes are expected to be completely sequenced by 2023.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

23. Consider the following statements:

1. National Mission for Cultural Mapping was launched by Ministry of Education.

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- 2. The Asian elephant has the longest gestation period of all mammals.
- Department of Biotechnology started GIP in 2020, to sequence 10,000 Indian human genomes.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only

- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

24. Consider the following statements:

1. Modhera in Gujarat is the first solar-powered village in India.

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- 2. IUCN status of Asian elephant is critically endangered.
- 3. Genome is the complete set of genetic information in an organism.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 3 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

25. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Indian American Calyampudi Radhakrishna Rao has won the International Prize in Statistics 2023.
- 2. International Big Cat Alliance aims to protect six major big cat species.
- 3. Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana was launched by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment in 2015.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

26. Consider the following statements:

- 1. International Prize in Statistics is awarded annually.
- 2. India is the only country in world to have 5 big cats in wild.
- 3. Loans under MUDRA Yojana do not require any collateral/ security.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

27. Consider the following statements:

1. A new interdisciplinary area called 'information geometry' was born out of CR Rao's paper in 1945.

- 2. As per 5th cycle of India's Tiger Census, the tiger population in India in 2022 was 3617.
- 3. Loans from Rs. 50,000 Rs. 5 lakh under MUDRA are called Tarun loans.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

28. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Aam Aadmi Party has been recently granted national party status by ECI.
- 2. Jyotiba Phule formed the Satya Shodhak Samaj in 1885.
- 3. Ministry of Commerce and Industry recently released State Energy Efficiency Index 2021-22.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

29. Consider the following statements:

- 1. A political party being a state party in at least four states is one of criteria for national party.
- 2. Jyotiba Phule was given title of Mahatma by Vithalrao Krishnaji Vandekar.
- 3. Assam ,Haryana, Maharashtra and Punjab are front runner states in State Energy Efficiency Index.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

30. Consider the following statements:

- National Parties get broadcast/telecast facilities over Akashvani/Doordarshan during general elections.
- 2. Jyotirao Phule was the first person to coin the term 'Dalits'.
- 3. The Bureau of Energy Efficiency is a statutory body established under the Energy Conservation Act, 2001.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

A. 1 & 2 only

- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

31. Consider the following statements:

1. IMD has predicted that country will receive 96% rainfall of Long Period Average (LPA) from southwest monsoon.

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- Krishnarajapuram and Whitefield stations in Bengaluru have been included in Amrit Bharat Station scheme recently.
- 3. Amolops siju is a species of fish discovered recently.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

32. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Normal rainfall under monsoon is categorized as one that receives 98 -102 % of LPA.
- Amrit Bharat Station scheme aims at modernizing over 1,000 minor stations over coming years.
- 3. Siju Cave is one of the longest cave systems in the world situated in the state of Arunachal Pradesh.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

33. Consider the following statements:

- 1. IMD releases the long range forecast in three stages.
- 2. Amrit Bharat Station scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long term vision.
- 3. Siju cave is a limestone cave famous for its stalactites and stalagmites.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

34. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The tallest statue of Babasaheb B R Ambedkar in India was recently unveiled in Maharashtra.
- 2. India's retail inflation rate declined to 5.66% in March.
- 3. Rowlatt Act 1919 allowed detention of political prisoners without trial for two years.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

35. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Poona Pact was an agreement made in 1934 between Ambedkar and Mahatma Gandhi.
- 2. CPI for Urban Non-Manual Employees is compiled by Labour Bureau.
- Rabindranath Tagore renounced the knighthood in protest against Jallianwala Bagh massacre.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

36. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Babasaheb Ambedkar was conferred with the Bharat Ratna posthumously in 1990.
- 2. Consumer Price Index inflation is the rate at which the prices of goods and services that consumers buy for personal use increase.
- 3. Hunter Commission was setup to investigate the incident at Jallianwala Bagh.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

37. First metro rail in India to complete an underriver journey is-

- A. Bengaluru Metro
- B. Delhi Metro
- C. Mumbai Metro
- D. Kolkata Metro

ANSWER: D

38. Consider the following statements:

1. World Chagas Disease Day is observed every year on April 14.

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- 2. NISAR will map the most earthquake-prone regions in the Himalayas.
- IRCTC in association with the Ministry of Education is operating its first tour on the Ambedkar circuit.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

39. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Chagas is also called American trypanosomiasis and is a communicable parasitic disease.
- 2. NISAR is slated to be launched in 2024 by ISRO's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle.
- 3. Ambedkar Circuit will include places like New Delhi, Mhow, Nagpur, and the sacred Buddhist sites of Sanchi, Sarnath, Gaya, Rajgir, and Nalanda.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

40. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Vaccines are available for Chagas disease.
- 2. NISAR will map the entire globe in 12 days.
- 3. Bharat Gaurav Tourist Trains are being operated by Railways on various famous theme-based circuits.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

41. Consider the following statements:

1. Magnetoresistance is the tendency of a material to change the value of its electrical resistance in an externally-applied magnetic field.

- 2. GSI has established Lithium inferred resources of 5.9 million tonnes in Salal-Haimana area of Reasi District of Jammu & Kashmir.
- 3. Barnawapara wildlife sanctuary is located in Jharkhand.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

42. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Graphene is a three-dimensional double-atom-thick layer of carbon atoms.
- 2. Lithium has highest density of all metals.
- 3. The Indian Wild Buffalo is the state animal of Jharkhand.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

43. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Graphene is almost perfectly opaque since it absorbs 98 percent of light.
- 2. Lithium does not occur as the metal in nature.
- 3. IUCN status of the Indian Wild Buffalo is 'Vulnerable'.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

44. Consider the following statements:

- Heat wave is considered if the maximum temperature of a station reaches at least 40°C or more for hilly regions.
- 2. A first-ever census of mangrove pitta birds was carried out in Goa.
- 3. Origins of Ahmadiyyas religious sect are in Qadian near Amritsar.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only

- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

45. Consider the following statements:

 Severe Heat wave is declared when actual maximum temperature becomes ≥47 degree C.

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- IUCN status of mangrove pitta birds is Near threatened.
- 3. Mirza Ghulam Ahmad founded Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in 1889.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

46. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Severe Heat Wave is declared when departure from normal temperature is 4.50°C to 6.40°C.
- 2. Bhitarkanika National Park is the 2nd largest Mangrove ecosystems of India.
- 3. Ahmadiyya Muslim Community categorically embraces jihad.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

47. Consider the following statements:

- PM MITRA scheme is inspired by the 5F vision i.e., - Farm to Fibre to Factory to Fashion to Foreign.
- 2. Helopeltis theivora seen recently in news is a new species of fish.
- The global average Sea Surface Temperature (SST) reached all-time high of 21.1° Celsius recently.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

- Textile sector is the 2nd largest provider of employment in India.
- 2. The Tea Mosquito Bug (Helopeltis theivora) has affected only low elevation tea plantations.
- 3. SST varies mainly with latitude, warmest near equator and coldest at poles.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

49. Consider the following statements:

- 1. 100% FDI is allowed in the textile sector under the automatic route.
- Central Insecticide Board & Registration Committee is under the purview of Ministry of Agriculture.
- 3. Ocean Mean Temperature is measured up to a depth of 28-degree C isotherm.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

50. Consider the following statements:

- Recently a major Buddhist Conference was hosted in Zemithang, Arunachal Pradesh.
- 2. Zemithang was first stop of the 14th Dalai Lama during his flight from China-occupied Tibet in 1959.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

51. Consider the following statements:

- 1. State of World Population report is released by World Health Organisation.
- 2. SATHI portal and mobile app was recently launched by Ministry of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

3. MAHARISHI initiative is associated with promotion of Yoga.

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Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

52. Consider the following statements:

- 1. India's population is pegged to reach 142.86 crore against China's 142.57 crore by mid-2023.
- 2. SATHI Portal has been developed under theme of Uttam Beej Samriddh Kisan.
- 3. MAHARISHI secretariat will be housed at Indian Institute of Millets Research (IIMR), Hyderabad.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

53. Consider the following statements:

- Headquarters of UNFPA are located in Zurich, Switzerland.
- 2. Seed certification is voluntary but labelling is compulsory in India.
- 3. India is the largest producer of millet in the world accounting for 80% of global production.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

54. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Starship, the world's biggest rocket, made by Blue Orgins exploded during its first test-flight to space.
- PM praised "Abhilekh patal" a portal with over 1 Crore Pages of Historical Records of National Archives.
- 3. Satkosia wildlife sanctuary witnessed breeding of Indian Skimmer for the first time.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

A. 1 & 2 only

- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

55. Consider the following statements:

- Super Heavy rocket is powered by 33 Raptor engines and use liquid methane and liquid oxygen as fuel.
- 2. Abhilekh Patal contains the reference media of more than 2.7 million files held by the National Archives of India.
- 3. Satkosia wildlife sanctuary is located in Jharkhand.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

56. Consider the following statements:

- Starship spacecraft has been selected to ferry astronauts to the Moon in late 2025 — a mission known as Artemis III.
- 2. National Archives of India is an attached office of Ministry of Education.
- 3. IUCN Red List Status of Indian skimmer is 'Endangered'.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

57. PRAYAG platform is under the purview of -

- A. Ministry of Rural Development
- B. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- C. Ministry of Agriculture
- D. Ministry of Jal Shakti

ANSWER: D

58. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Enhanced Linkages between Private Sector and Small-Scale Producers (ELPS) initiative is an initiative of World Bank.
- State of the Global Climate 2022 report was recently released by World Meteorological Organization.
- 3. UDAN Scheme was launched in 2018.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

59. Consider the following statements:

- 1. IFAD headquarters are located in Rome, Italy.
- 2. Years 2015 to 2022 were eight warmest on record as per State of the Global Climate 2022 report.
- 3. Under UDAN 5.0, length cap of 600 km is waived off.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

60. Consider the following statements:

- 1. IFAD brings out the Rural Development Report every year.
- 2. WMO is headquartered at Montreal, Canada.
- 3. UDAN 5.0 focuses on Category-2 (20-80 seats) and Category-3 (>80 seats).

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 1 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

61. Consider the following statements:

- National Panchayati Raj Day is observed on 23rd April every year.
- 2. Earth Day is an annual event celebrated on 22nd April.
- 3. Piarosoma arunachalensis seen recently in news is a species of frog.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 2 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

- 1. 73rd amendment accorded panchayats a constitutional status as the third tier of local self-governance in India.
- 2. The theme for Earth Day 2023 is "Invest in our planet".
- 3. There are about 120 moth species in India.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

63. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The State Finance Commission should evaluate the financial position of the panchayats every six years, as per 73rd amendment.
- 2. Paris Agreement, which focused on setting common target to reduce global greenhouse emissions, was also signed on Earth Day 2016.
- 3. Talle Wildlife Sanctuary is located in Assam.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

64. Consider the following statements:

- 1. World Development Report 2023 was recently released by International Monetary Fund.
- 2. Sree Mahavishnu Temple, seen recently in news, is located in Kerala.
- WHO recently reported contaminated Indiamade cough syrup specimen from Marshall Islands and Micronesia.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

65. Consider the following statements:

- 1. World Development Report 2023 is titled "Migrants, Refugees and Societies".
- 2. Thirunelli Temple is the only temple in the world where the devotees can perform all the rituals related to one's life.
- 3. Diethylene glycol and ethylene glycol are toxic to humans when consumed.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

66. Consider the following statements:

- World Development Report 2023 has introduced the labour economics' concept of 'Match-Motive Framework'.
- 2. Thirunelli Temple is also known as "Sahyamala Kshetram" and "Kashi of the South".
- 3. Central Drugs Standard Control Organization comes under the purview of Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: A

67. India's First Water Metro was recently inaugurated in-

- A. Mumbai
- B. Chennai
- C. Kolkata
- D. Kochi

ANSWER: D

68. Consider the following statements:

- 1. United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (UNPFII) is a high level advisory body to UN Security Council.
- 2. Lesser Flamingo is the smallest of all flamingos but has the largest population.
- 3. Sanchi, a world heritage site, is all set to become India's first solar city.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

- International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples is observed every year on 29th April.
- 2. IUCN status for Lesser Flamingo is 'Vulnerable'.
- Sanchi Stupa was built by the Mauryan emperor Ashoka in the third century BC.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

70. Consider the following statements:

- UNPFII is headquartered at Geneva, Switzerland.
- 2. Pulicat Lake is the second-largest fresh water lake in the country.
- Buddhist monuments at Sanchi were recognized as UNESCO World Heritage site in 1999.

Which of the following statements is/are

incorrect?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

71. Consider the following statements:

- Meghalaya government has proposed a plan to develop Rang Ghar as international tourist destination.
- 2. The Bureau of Civil Aviation (BCAS) recently commemorated its 37th raising day.
- 3. Seamounts are underwater mountain formed through volcanic activity.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only

- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: B

72. Consider the following statements:

1. Rang Ghar is a six-storeyed building and considered to be one of the most ancient Amphitheatres in Asia.

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- 2. BCAS was reorganized into an independent department on April 1, 1987, under the Ministry of Defence.
- 3. Sea Mounts provide information about the mantle's composition and how tectonic plates evolve.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: C

73. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Rang Ghar was originally built during the era of Swargadeo Rudra Singha.
- 2. BCAS is headed by an officer of the rank of Director General of Police.
- 3. Mid- Atlantic Ridge is the largest geological feature on the planet.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 3 only
- D. 1, 2 and 3

ANSWER: D

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- 1. Which of the following products has recently got Geographical Indication Tag from European Union?
- A. Himachali kala zeera
- B. Kangra paintings
- C. Kinnauri shawl
- D. Kangra Tea

ANSWER: D

2. What is the name of special initiative to provide health facilities to senior citizens and specially abled persons living in remote areas of the Mandi district?

- A. Madad
- B. Sahara
- C. Guzara
- D. Sehat darwaze par

ANSWER: B

- 3. As per estimates, March month recorded _____ deficiency in rainfall in Himachal Pradesh.
- A. 31%
- B. 41%
- C. 51%
- D. 61%

ANSWER: B

- 4. An ancient idol was found in Bhalthi Narayan temple in the Lug valley, which is located in-
- A. Shimla
- B. Solan
- C. Kinnaur
- D. Kullu

ANSWER: D

- 5. The Pre-International Paragliding Accuracy World Cup Championship was inaugurated in-
- A. Kinnaur
- B. Palampur
- C. Kullu
- D. Mandi

ANSWER: B

- 6. The length of proposed Kasauli ropeway will be-
- A. 1.88 km
- B. 2.88 km
- C. 3.88 km
- D. 4.88 km

ANSWER: C

- 7. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Nek Ram Sharma was recently awarded Padam Bhushan for reviving the traditional crop system of nine foodgrains.
- 2. He belongs to Mandi district.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: B

- 8. Consider the following statements:
- Himachal Pradesh assembly constituted a committee under Revenue Minister to legalise cultivation of cannabis for its medicinal properties.
- Primary psychoactive constituent in cannabis is Delta9 tetrahydrocannabinol.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

- Consider the following statements about Mukhyamantri Vidyarthi Protsahan Yojana:
- 1. It aims to provide educational loans at one per cent interest rate to underprivileged students.
- 2. Students having family income less than Rs 3 lakh per annum can avail such loans.

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Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C

- 10. What is the length of proposed Anandpur Sahib-Naina Devi ropeway?
- A. 3.850 Kms
- B. 4.850 Kms
- C. 5.850 Kms
- D. 6.850 Kms

ANSWER: A

- 11. The Sanjeevni Project initiated by the state government is aimed at improving-
- A. Animal husbandry
- B. Senior citizen healthcare
- C. Rural banking facilities
- D. Rural tourism

ANSWER: A

- 12. Consider the following statements:
- State-level Himachal Day function was held this year at Kaza.
- 2. Himachal Pradesh was organised as a province on April 15,1968.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: A

- 13. Consider the following statements:
- 1. As per recent reports, 4G services will be extended to the Spiti Valley.
- 2. The famous Tabo Monastery is located in Spiti Valley.

Which of the following statements is/ are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only
- C. Both 1 and 2
- D. Neither 1 nor 2

ANSWER: C B. 2025 C. 2026 14. Which state has become the "first state" to D. 2027 create a DNA database of unidentified bodies? **ANSWER: C** A. Himachal Pradesh B. Gujarat 20. The Pabbar River is a tributary of the river -C. Punjab A. Giri D. Tamil Nadu B. Satluj ANSWFR: A C. Tons D. Chenab 15. Who has been appointed acting Chief Justice of ANSWER: C **Himachal Pradesh High Court?** A. Justice sabina 21. Which district has maximum number of migrants B. Justice tarlok singh chauhan using ration cards under 'One Nation, One Ration C. Justice vivek singh thakur Card'? D. None of the above A. Shimla **ANSWER: B** B. Solan C. Una 16. Mountaineer Baljeet Kaur belongs to which D. Hamirpur district? **ANSWER: B** A. Shimla B. Una 22. The three-day state-level Spring Festival, locally C. Solan known as Pipal Jatra will be held in-D. Hamirpur A. Solan **ANSWER: C** B. Una C. Shimla 17. Uhl-III hydropower project is located on which D. Kullu of the following rivers? ANSWER: D A. Rana Neri Khad B. Satluj 23. The small heritage town of Haripur, seen C. Giri recently in news, is located in-A. Shimla D. Tons B. Kangra **ANSWER: A** C. Chamba D. Una 18. The presidential Retreat was taken on permanent lease from the Raja of Koti in-**ANSWER: B** A. 1890 24. The Himachal Government has decided to reduce B. 1893 CivilsTap the lease period of government land given to-

C. 1895

D. 1899

ANSWER: C

19. The deadline for construction of Shimla Bypass

is-

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- A. 40 years
- B. 49 years
- C. 50 years
- D. 59 years

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