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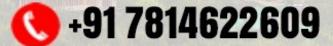
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POLITY

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- 1. A Zero FIR is not a given a regular FIR number.
- 2. It was introduced on the recommendation of the Justice Verma Committee.

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. Electoral Bonds are valid for 25 days from the date of issue.
- 2. The bonds are available for purchase by any citizen of India for a period of ten days each in the months of January, April, July and October

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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

- 3. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Tushar Mehta has been recently reappointed as Solicitor General of India.
- 2. Solicitor General is appointed under article 76 and is the second most senior law officer after Attorney General

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. The Chief Minister, who holds the record of being a state CM for the longest time, belongs to the state-
- A. Tripura
- B. Meghalaya
- C. Odisha
- D. Sikkim

ANSWER: D

ECONOMY

- 1. The inflation fuelled by corporate greed for profit maximization is called?
- A. Skewflation
- B. greedflation
- C. Profiflation
- D. Corpflation

ANSWER: B

- 2. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project is on border of Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland.
- 2. Subansiri River, tributary of River Brahmaputra, originates in Miri hills in Arunachal Pradesh.

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

- 3. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Mahila Samman Savings Certificate is a one-time savings scheme introduced in Budget 2023-24.
- 2. The maturity date is three years from deposit date.

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. Institute of Chartered Accountants of India is a statutory body established under the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949.
- 2. ICAI is under administrative control of the 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

5. Consider the following statements:

 Bharat 6G Alliance is a collaborative platform consisting of public and private companies, academia, research institutions, and Standards development organizations.

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 Telecom Technology Development Fund is under Universal Service Obligation Fund, Department of Telecommunications

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

- India's first indigenously developed 700 MW nuclear power reactor, which commenced commercial operations recently, is located in-
- A. Maharashtra
- B. Gujarat
- C. Uttar Pradesh
- D. Tamil Nadu

ANSWER: B

- 7. Consider the following statements:
- 1. GST Network (GSTN) has launched geocoding for all states and territories.
- Geocoding converts an address or description of a location into geographic coordinates.

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:
- Lambani Embroidery has Geographic Indication (GI) tag status from Kerala.
- 2. Lambani were once nomadic tribes who arrived from Afghanistan to 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

9. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare launched BHARAT Campaign for banks under Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF).
- 2. AIF is a Central Sector Scheme in operation till FY2025.

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. India has imposed windfall tax on-

- A. Diamond cutting industry
- B. Drugs and active pharmaceutical ingredients (api)
- C. Steel industry
- D. Petroleum crude

ANSWER: D

11. Consider the following statements:

- Income Tax day is celebrated every year on 24th
 July.
- 2. Income Tax was introduced in India by Sir James Wilson in 1892.

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. Consider the following statements:

- 1. White label ATMs also provide services like bill payments, mini/short statement generation, PIN changes, and requests for cheque books.
- 2. Green Label ATMs are managed service providers which deploy and operate ATMs for banks.

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

13. Consider the following statements:

- National Coal Index is released by National Statistical Office.
- 2. Non-coking coal is mainly used in thermal plants because of high caking property.

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. "Urea Gold" is a new variety that is coated with-

- A. Nickel
- B. Nitrogen
- C. Carbon
- D. Sulphur

ANSWER: D

15. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Offer for Sale method was brought in by SEBI in 2012.
- 2. Any shareholder holding 10% stake in the company can participate in an offer for sale.

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

GEOGRAPHY

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- 1. A shelf cloud is a type of low-lying, horizontal cloud formation characterized by a clearly defined line of solid clouds.
- 2. It typically appears on the leading edge of a storm.

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. Extensive deposits of phosphate rocks have been discovered in-
- A. Sweden
- B. Denmark
- C. Finland
- D. Norway

ANSWER: D

- 3. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Anticyclones are areas of sinking air which results in low pressure.
- 2. Anticyclones are associated with warm and dry weather.

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. Ghaggar river originates in the Shivalik foothills of Haryana, Punjab and Chandigarh.
- 2. It is known as Hakra 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: C

- 5. Consider the following statements:
- 1. IMD has recently launched Heat Index on an experimental basis.

2. It is derived using the heat index equation similar to what is used by National Weather Service of China.

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

- 6. Consider the following statements:
- Ranjit Sagar Dam or Thein Dam is built on Beas river.
- 2. It is a concrete gravity dam with total capacity of 600 GW.

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. Consider the following statements:
- The Batagaika crater is located in Russia's Sakha republic.
- Permafrost is any ground that remains completely frozen at 0°C or colder — for at least two years straight.

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. The Parkachik Glacier is located in Ladakh.
- 2. It is located in Zaskar Himalayas.

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

ART AND CULTURE

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Zo peoples include all tribes of the Chin-Kuki-Mizo ethnic group.
- 2. They are from same origin which is known as Sinlung.

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:

- Gutti Koya tribe erect stone memorials by burying in the event of death all members of tribe.
- 2. They speak Koya language, which is a Dravidian 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

- 3. Porpanaikottai excavation site is located in the state of-
- A. Kerala
- B. Karnataka
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Tamil Nadu

ANSWER: D

- 4. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Goa cabinet recently approved the proposal for the inclusion of Kui language in the 8thschedule.
- 2. Kui belongs to north Indian language family.

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

5. Consider the following statements:

1. Ker Puja is a famous festival in the north east that involves ritual singing and dancing.

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2. It is celebrated in Tripura.

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. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Namda craft is a rug made of sheep wool through felting technique.
- 2. It was introduced by a Sufi saint named Shah-e-Hamdan.

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. Nawab Wajid Ali Shah was the eleventh and final King of-
- A. Gwalior
- B. Banaras
- C. Kanpur
- D. Awadh

ANSWER: D

8. Consider the following statements:

- 1. A fusion of Rock Art has been found at Rudragiri Hillock in Odisha.
- 2. Mesolithic Period corresponds to period from 12,000 years ago till about 10,000 years ago.

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: A

- 1. Tankai method is a 20000 year old method of ship building.
- 2. Under it, the stitched ship is made by stitching wooden planks with nails.

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

10. The first Indian city to be part of the World Cities Culture Forum (WCCF) is-

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- A. Ahmedabad
- B. Bengaluru
- C. Chennai
- D. Delhi

ANSWER: B

PERSON NEWS

- 1. Alan Arkin, who passed away recently, was a famous-
- A. Actor
- B. Painter
- C. Writer
- D. Cricketer

ANSWER: A

- 2. Luis Suarez, who passed away, recently, was a famous-
- A. Cricketer
- B. Footballer
- C. Actor
- D. Dancer

ANSWER: B

- 3. Mangala Narlikar who passed away recently was a famous-
- A. Carnatic singer
- B. Mathematician
- C. Painter
- D. Photographer

ANSWER: B

- 4. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Mangal Pandey was born in present day Uttar Pradesh.
- 2. He was sentenced to death and executed in New Delhi.

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. Consider the following statements:
- 1. J R Oppenheimer is known as the "father of the atomic bomb".
- 2. The first ever atomic bomb was tested under the code name of the Divinity test.

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. Consider the following statements:
- Chandra Shekhar Azad was the chief strategist of the Hindustan Socialist Republican Association.
- 2. His original name was Chandra Shekhar Tripathi.

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: B

ENVIRONMENT

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Senegal has become the fourth country to join Just Energy Transition Partnership.
- 2. India has been a supporter of JET-P since COP26 in Glasgow.

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. Wildlife Crime Control Bureau was set up in 1980 under Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.
- 2. WCCB is designated nodal agency for CITES related enforcement.

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. Which of the following countries has become the first country to ban plastic produce bags at supermarkets?
- A. China
- B. Bhutan
- C. South Korea
- D. New Zealand

ANSWER: D

- 4. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Khazans are coastal wetlands of West Bengal.
- 2. These are low-lying, saline water-logged areas that are influenced by tidal flows.

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:

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

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2. IUCN red list status of Sperm Whale is 'Endangered'.

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. The first urban body in the country to receive the Extended Producers Responsibility credit is from the city of-
- A. Bhopal
- B. Indore
- C. Ahmedabad
- D. Chandigarh

ANSWER: B

- 7. The IUCN red list status of Indian Grey Hornbill is-
- A. Least Concern
- B. Vulnerable
- C. Endangered
- D. Near Threatened

ANSWER: A

- 8. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Salsola Oppositifolia Desfontania is a species of halophyte discovered in Kutch recently.
- 2. This is the first ever species of Salsola genus to be discovered in 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

- 9. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Atlantic menhaden is a species of fish majorly found in east Atlantic Ocean.
- 2. Its IUCN Status red list status is Vulnerable.

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

10. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Umiam Dam is built on Umiam river, a tributary of Brahmaputra.
- 2. It is located in Assam, near Digboi.

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: B

11. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Gambusia affinis is widely used as a biological agent for controlling mosquito larvae.
- 2. IUCN has declared Gambusia as one of the 100 worst invasive alien species in the world.

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

12. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Purana cheeveeda, seen recently in news, is a species of cicadas.
- 2. Most cicadas are canopy dwellers and are found in natural forests with large trees.

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: D

13. Consider the following statements:

 Gharial is a salt-water crocodile with IUCN status as critically endangered. 2. IUCN red list status of Mugger crocodile is 'least concern'.

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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

14. Consider the following statements:

- 1. MoEFCC recently released the India Climate Energy Dashboard (ICED) 3.0.
- It will facilitate insights and enhance understanding about the energy and climate sectors while identifying the key challenges.

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

15. Consider the following statements:

- 1. 'Seahorse hotels' are being set up by New Zealand, aimed at saving White's seahorses.
- 2. White's Seahorses are classified as 'endangered' on the IUCN Red List.

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. Meri Maati, Mera Desh campaign aims to collect soil from different parts of the country which will be used to develop a garden at-
- A. New Parliament building
- B. Kartavya Path
- C. Raj Ghat
- D. Mughal Gradens/Amrit Udyan

ANSWER: B

- 1. Silvopasture practice integrates trees, forage and livestock on the same plot of land.
- 2. Soil infiltration rates in silvopasture systems are less than those of open pastures.

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: B

INTERNATIONAL

1. Consider the following statements:

- The 2023 Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Heads of State Council Meeting was hosted by India.
- 2. Iran officially joined the SCO as the 10th Member Country.

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. International Court of Justice was established under Rome Statute.
- 2. It is situated in New York, 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: D

3. Which country will take over the G20 Presidency after India?

- A. Brazil
- B. Turkey
- C. Australia
- D. Mexico

ANSWER: A

4. Consider the following statements:

1. The first Overseas IIT Campus will be set up in Zimbabwe.

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2. It will be setup by IIT Bombay.

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

5. Consider the following statements:

1. India has recently joined the United Nation's Global Crisis Response Group (GCRG).

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2. It is overseen by the Champions Group comprising of all ASEAN countries.

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. Consider the following statements:

- Switzerland and Austria signed a declaration of intent to join European Sky Shield Initiative.
- 2. ESSI is an initiative spearheaded by 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

7. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Muslim World League was founded in 1945.
- 2. It is headquartered in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

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. Consider the following statements:

- 1. European Free Trade Association has 4 members Norway, Ireland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland.
- 2. EFTA countries are not part of the European Union.

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. Members of UNHRC serve for a period of three years.
- 2. Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) in Geneva, serves as the Secretariat of the Human Rights Council.

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. Protocol to the African Charter on Human and People's Rights or Maputo Protocol was adopted in 2003.
- 2. All the members of African Union have ratified the protocol.

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: B

11. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Association of World Election Bodies was founded in 2013 in Seoul.
- 2. The Election Commissioner of India is the current Chairperson of the Association of World Election Bodies.

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. Which of the following nations is called Giant of Africa?

- A. Ethiopia
- B. Mali

- C. Nigeria
- D. South Africa

ANSWER: C

13. The second international overseas IIT campus will come up in-

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- A. Abu Dhabi
- B. Sharjah
- C. Dubai
- D. Kuwait

ANSWER: A

14. Consider the following statements:

- Germany holds the title of the world's most powerful passport as per Henley Passport Index.
- 2. India currently shares the 80th position on 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: B

15. Consider the following statements:

- 1. "Block 20" or "Block 8" was acquired by ONGC Videsh in Iran for exploration of hydrocarbons.
- Force Majeure is related to the concept of an act of God, an event for which no party can be held accountable.

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. Which of the following nation has signed semiconductor pact with India recently?

- A. Japan
- B. Israel
- C. Germany
- D. France

ANSWER: A

- Black sea grain initiative was brokered by UN and Turkey.
- 2. A Joint Coordination Centre for the initiative is hosted in Istanbul.

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. African Union consists of 55 member states that make up the countries of the African continent.
- 2. Its headquarters are located in Nairobi, Kenya.

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

19. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Italian Campaign in World War 2 occurred between 1943 and 1945.
- 2. Yeshwant Ghadge was a soldier of the Mahratta Light Infantry.

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

20. Recently, India and _____have agreed for bilateral exchange of young researchers and Start-ups.

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- A. Argentina
- B. Brazil
- C. Chile
- D. Democratic Republic of Congo

ANSWER: A

21. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Free Movement Regime allows tribes living along the border of Myanmar and India to travel up to 5 km inside the other country without a visa.
- 2. The border between India and Myanmar was demarcated by the British in 1826.

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

DAY TO REMEMBER

- 1. National Postal Worker Day is observed on-
- A. July 3rd
- B. July 2nd
- C. July 1st
- D. June 30th

ANSWER: C

- 2. International Plastic Bag Free Day is observed on-
- A. July 1st
- B. July 2nd
- C. July 3rd
- D. July 4th
- **ANSWER: C**
- 3. The theme for the International Day of Cooperatives 2023 is-

- A. Cooperatives- the way forward
- B. Cooperatives for equitable development
- C. Cooperatives break vicious cycle of poverty
- D. Cooperatives for Sustainable Development

ANSWER: D

- 4. World Zoonosis Day is observed annually on
- A. July 3rd
- B. July 4th
- C. July 5th
- D. July 6th

ANSWER: D

5. Consider the following statements:

- World Population Day is commemorated annually on July 11th.
- 2. The first World Population Day was observed on July 11, 1990.

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. International Malala Day is observed on-
- A. July 9th
- B. July 10th
- C. July 11th

D. July 12th

ANSWER: D

- 7. National Fish Farmer's Day is an annually observed on-
- A. July 9th
- B. July 10th
- C. July 11th
- D. July 12th

ANSWER: B

- 8. Astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin set foot on the Moon in the year-
- A. 1967
- B. 1968
- C. 1969
- D. 1970

ANSWER: C

- 9. World Chess Day is annually observed on-
- A. July 17th
- B. July 18th
- C. July 19th
- D. July 20th

ANSWER: D

- 10. The Constituent Assembly's adopted of Tri-color as national flag on July 22nd in the year
- A. 1947
- B. 1948
- C. 1949
- D. 1951

ANSWER: A

- 11. National Mango Day is annually observed on-
- A. July 20th
- B. July 21st
- C. July 22nd
- D. July 23rd

ANSWER: C

- 12. Kargil Vijay Diwas is celebrated annually on-
- A. July 23rd
- B. July 24th
- C. July 25th
- D. July 26th

ANSWER: D

13. International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem was adopted by UNESCO in-

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- A. 2015
- B. 2016
- C. 2017
- D. 2018

ANSWER: A

- 14. The theme for World Hepatitis Day 2023 is -
- A. One body, one liver
- B. One life, one body
- C. No liver, no life
- D. One life, one liver

ANSWER: D

- 15. World Day against
 Trafficking in Persons is
 held on-
- A. July 27th
- B. July 28th
- C. July 29th
- D. July 30th

ANSWER: D

INDEX AND REPORTS

- 1. Panchayat Development Index is released by-
- A. NITI Aayog
- B. Ministry of Panchayati Raj.
- C. Ministry of Rural Development
- D. Ministry of Cooperatives

ANSWER: B

- 2. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Global Education Monitoring Report, 2023 was recently released by UNESCO.
- 2. The report has been titled "Technology in education: a tool on whose terms?"

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:
- 1. Global Climate Litigation Report: 2023 Status Review was published by Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.
- 2. The number of lawsuits over climate change has more than doubled since 2017.

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

AWARD

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Michael Rosen from Germany has been awarded PEN Pinter Prize 2023.
- 2. For the prize consideration, the winner must be author of a significant body of plays, poetry, essays, or fiction of outstanding literary merit, written in English.

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

- 2. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Madhya Pradesh has secured the first position in the country in Bhoomi Samman awards 2023.

2. The Digital India Land Records Management Programme is a central sponsored scheme under Ministry of Rural Development.

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

- 3. UNESCO Asia Pacific Cultural Heritage award has been awarded recently to Byculla railway station. It was originally built in-
- A. 1873
- B. 1863
- C. 1853
- D. 1843

ANSWER: C

SPACE

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- Euclid Telescope has been recently launched by NASA.
- 2. It will observe the universe from geostationary orbit around 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: D

- 2. Consider the following statements:
- A supermoon occurs when the Moon's orbit is closest to the Earth at the same time that the Moon is full.
- 2. The term "Supermoon" was coined by astrologer Richard Nolle in 1979

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:
- 1. Solar flares are giant explosions on the sun that send energy, light, and high-speed particles into space.
- 2. The A class of solar flares is the most devastating for 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

- 4. Consider the following statements:
- 1. James Clark Maxwell Telescope is located in California.
- 2. Microorganisms residing in high-oxygen environments generate phosphine on earth.

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

- 5. Consider the following statements:
- SHERLOC instrument on NASA's Curiosity rover was used to detect organic molecules in Jezero Crater on Mars.
- 2. SHERLOC employs deep ultraviolet Raman and fluorescence spectroscopy.

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. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Chandrayaan-3 has 4 rover payloads and 2 lander payloads.
- Chandrayaan-3 was launched using LVM3 (Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle Mk III).

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. Long March-10 rocket has been recently tested by-

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- A. China
- B. Russia
- C. North Korea
- D. USA

ANSWER: A

- 8. Markarian 421, seen recently in news, is a-
- A. Supercomputer from Israel
- B. Ransomware
- C. Russian Inter-continental Ballistic Missile
- D. Supermassive black hole

ANSWER: D

- 9. Consider the following statements:
- 1. OSIRIS-REx spacecraft is bound to bring back sample from asteroid Bennu to earth.
- 2. It was launched in 2016 by European Space Agency.

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

SCIENCE

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Heavy water contains more proportion of tritium than hydrogen.
- 2. Density of D_2O is lower than that of H_2O .

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

2. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Data scraping or web scraping is the automated process of extracting large amounts of data from websites or online sources.
- 2. It has both positive and negative fallouts.

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:
- 1. Enterovirus is an umbrella term used for a group of viruses, including, echovirus, coxsackievirus, enterovirus, and poliovirus.
- 2. Specific Treatments is available for enterovirus infection.

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. OpenKylin is first open-source desktop operating system of-
- A. India
- B. Japan
- C. Taiwan
- D. China

ANSWER: D

- 5. India's first regional AI news anchor, unveiled by Odisha TV, is named as-
- A. Lisa
- B. Rekha
- C. Jaya
- D. Sushma

ANSWER: A

- 6. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Microsoft is rolling out its artificial intelligence chat bot Bard in Europe and Brazil.
- 2. It has the new features with ability to speak its answers back to user.

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: A

7. The re-bidding of Advanced Chemistry Cell (ACC) battery manufacturing under PLI Scheme has been announced by-

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- A. ISRO
- B. Ministry of Chemical and Fertilisers
- C. Ministry of Heavy Industries
- D. NITI Aayog

ANSWER: C

- 8. Elon Musk's new AI company is named-
- B. xAI
- C. zAI
- D. eAl

ANSWER: B

- 9. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre is under the purview of Ministry of Home Affairs.
- 2. Citizen Financial Cyber Fraud Reporting and Management System aims to integrate Law Enforcement Agencies and Banks and Financial Intermediaries.

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

DEFENCE

- 1. India's first 'Police Drone Unit' was recently launched in-CivilsTap
- A. New Delhi
- B. Mumbai
- C. Ahmedabad
- D. Chennai

ANSWER: D

- 2. The 7th edition of the bilateral Japan-India Maritime Exercise 2023 was held in-
- A. Osaka
- B. Mangalore
- C. Kandla
- D. Vishakhapatnam

ANSWER: D

3. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The SALVEX 2023 exercise has been recently conducted in Mumbai.
- 2. Indian Navy and US Navy participate in SALVEX

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 United States has announced that it is sending cluster munitions to aid Russia.
- 2. A cluster munition is a bomb/canister that carry tens to hundreds of smaller bomblets.

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. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)'s Regional Office was recently inaugurated in-
- A. Alaska
- B. Moscow
- C. Kuala Lumpur
- D. Berlin

ANSWER: C

- 6. France has recently agreed to provide SCALP to Ukraine in its war against Russia. It is a type of-
- A. Tank
- B. Missile
- C. Aircraft carrier
- D. Reconnaissance aircraft

ANSWER: B

- Operation Southern Readiness 2023 was hosted by-
- A. Seychelles
- B. Madagascar
- C. Reunion Island
- D. Mauritius

ANSWER: A

8. Hwasong-18 intercontinental ballistic missile was recently tested by-

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- A. South Korea
- B. Japan
- C. Taiwan
- D. North Korea

ANSWER: D

- 9. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Nomadic Elephant a joint military exercise between India-Kazakhstan.
- 2. It is a biennial exercise conducted alternatively in 2 countries.

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

- 10. Akira, seen recently in news, is a/an
- A. Ransomware
- B. Ukranian satellite
- C. Supercomputer
- D. Japanese space station module

ANSWER: A

APPOINTMENTS

- 1. Who has been appointed as Ambassador and Permanent Representative of India to the World Trade Organization?
- A. Taranjit sandhu
- B. Neena malhotra
- C. Brajendra navnit
- D. None of the above

ANSWER: C

- 2. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Global Peace Index 2023 is released by SIPRI.
- 2. It has been topped by Denmark.

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

- 3. Who has been appointed as the 25th Director General of the Indian Coast Guard?
- A. Manav Adhikari
- B. Mohit Aggarwal
- C. Dhiraj Pandey
- D. Rakesh Pal

ANSWER: D

- 4. Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director of LIC?
- A. Rajpal Shukla
- B. Jatin Kataria
- C. Sat Pal Bhanoo
- D. Manav Agnihotri

ANSWER: C

PLACE NEWS

- 1. Orkney Islands, seen recently in news, are located in-
- A. North Atlantic Ocean
- B. Mediterranean Sea
- C. Southern Ocean
- D. Pacific Ocean

ANSWER: A

- 2. Europe's largest nuclear power plant is located in-
- A. France
- B. Germany
- C. United Kingdom
- D. Ukraine

ANSWER: D

- 3. Strait of Hormuz connects which of the following water bodies?
- A. Red Sea and Gulf of Aden
- B. Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman
- C. Gulf of Oman and Red Sea
- D. Persian Gulf and Red Sea

ANSWER: B

4. Consider the following pairs:

Location	Countries
Cabo Delgado gas fields	Tanzania
Taylor glacier	Norway
Ubinas volcano	Philippines

How many pairs given above are not correctly matched? CivilsTap

- A. Only one pair
- B. Only two pairs
- C. All three pairs
- D. None of the pairs

ANSWER: C

- 5. Takeshima Islands are located in -
- A. South China Sea
- B. North Atlantic Ocean
- C. Mediterranean Sea
- D. Sea of Japan

ANSWER: D

6. Solomon islands are located in-

- A. Atlantic Ocean
- B. Mediterranean Sea
- C. Indian Ocean
- D. Pacific Ocean

ANSWER: D

- 7. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Chavin de Huantar archeological site is located in Peru.

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2. The Chavin date back to the first sedentary farming communities in Peruvian Andes and were preceded by Inca Empire.

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. Aleut and Alutiiq indigenous communities are found in-
- A. Australia
- B. Greenland
- C. Mongolia
- D. Alaska

ANSWER: D

- 9. Which of the following countries does not border Black Sea?
- A. Turkey
- B. Moldova
- C. Romania
- D. Bulgaria

ANSWER: B

- 10. The islands of Rhodes and Corfu, seen recently in news are located in -
- A. South China Sea
- B. North Sea
- C. Black Sea
- D. Mediterranean Sea

ANSWER: D

- 11. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Tuvalu is an island country in the west-central Pacific Ocean.
- 2. The island group consists of 9 volcanic islands.

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: B

12. Linguistically, the world's most diverse country

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is-

- A. Russia
- B. Mongolia
- C. Brazil
- D. Papua New Guinea

ANSWER: D

POLICY AND PROGRAMME

1. Consider the following statements:

- The third edition of National e-Governance Service Delivery Assessment (NeSDA) Portal has been released recently by DARPG.
- 2. DARPG undertakes NeSDA study annually.

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:

- Scheme for Capacity Building in Textiles Sector (SAMARTH) is under the purview of Ministry of Skill development and Entrepreneurship.
- 2. Even NGOs and Societies can provide skilling programmes under SAMARTH.

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: A

- The first Central Public Sector Enterprise in India to receive certification for Anti-Bribery Management System (ABMS) is-
- A. ONGC
- B. BHEL
- C. IOCL
- D. Coal India Ltd.

ANSWER: A

SOCIAL, EDUCATION, HEALTH

- 1. Consider the following statements:
- 1. WHO has recently declared Aspartame as a carcinogenic substance.
- It is one of world's most commonly used lowcalorie artificial sweetener.

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:

 One health Priority Reasearch Agenda for Anti-Microbial Resistance was recently released by WHO and UNESCO. It identified three crucial cross-cutting themesgender, vulnerable populations and sustainability.

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

- 1. Chile has imposed a health emergency over an "unusual" outbreak of Guillain-Barré Syndrome.
- 2. The Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS) is a rare but serious neurological disorder and autoimmune disease

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. 'Entamoeba Moshkovskii' is associated with the disease of-

- A. Sickle cell anaemia
- B. Lymphatic filariasis
- C. Guillain barre
- D. Diarrhea

ANSWER: D

5. Consider the following statements:

- Measles is a highly contagious bacterial disease and a cause of death among young children globally.
- Unvaccinated young children and pregnant women are at highest risk of severe measles complications.

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. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The portal, www.violation-reporting.in, has been launched by the Health Ministry to report violation related to e- cigarette sale.
- All forms of Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems including e-cigarettes are prohibited under Prohibition of Electronic Cigarettes Act.

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. Currently, there are 42 active Tele MANAS cells across 31 states and Union Territories.
- 2. This service is available in 30 different languages.

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:

1. India's first Cannabis Medicine Project is being taken up in Ladakh.

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2. It has been initiated under Ministry of Health and family welfare in PPP with a Japanese firm.

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. Controlled Human Infection Studies is a research model used for vaccine and treatment development.
- It involves intentionally exposing healthy human volunteers to a specific pathogen or infectious agent under controlled conditions.

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. WHO recently confirmed a case Middle East Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus in Riyadh.
- 2. MERS is a zoonotic virus that can transmit between animals and people.

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

- 1. Conjunctivitis is the swelling or inflammation of the conjunctiva tissue.
- 2. It is highly contagious and affects the vision of the patients.

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: B

SPORT

- 1. Which country has won the Asian Kabaddi Championship 2023?
- A. India
- B. Iran
- C. Korea
- D. Afghanistan

ANSWER: A

- 2. Diamond League is a global championship in-
- A. Athletics
- B. Cricket
- C. Football
- D. Poker

ANSWER: A

- 3. Who has recently won the Austrian Grand Prix?
- A. Lewis Hamilton
- B. Charles Leclerc
- C. Max Verstappen
- D. Sergio Perez

ANSWER: C

- 4. World Archery Youth Championship 2023 was recently held in-
- A. India
- B. South Korea
- C. Ireland
- D. China

ANSWER: C

- 5. Consider the following statements:
- 1. Carlos Alcaraz who recently won men's singles Wimbledon 2023, belongs to Spain.
- 2. Ons Jabeur won the ladies' singles tennis title in Wimbledon 2023.

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. Satwiksairaj Rankireddy is associated with the sports of-

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- A. Archery
- B. Badminton
- C. Chess
- D. Derby

ANSWER: B

- 7. Who has recently become the 10th cricketer to make 500 international appearances?
- A. M S Dhoni
- B. Bhubaneshwar Kumar
- C. Rohit Sharma
- D. Virat Kohli

ANSWER: D

- 8. Who has recently won the Hungarian Grand Prix?
- A. Lando Norris
- B. Sergio Perez
- C. Lewis Hamilton
- D. Max Verstappen

ANSWER: D

- Lahiru Thirimanne has announced his retirement from international cricket. He belongs to -
- A. Sri Lanka
- B. Bangladesh
- C. Fiji
- D. West Indies

ANSWER: A

- 10. India's first online gaming academy is coming up in-
- A. Madhya Pradesh
- B. Gujarat
- C. Meghalaya
- D. Punjab

ANSWER: A

MISCELLANEOUS QUESTION

1. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Energy Transition Index is released by UNEP.
- 2. NITI Aayog recently released the Financial Stability Report 2023.
- 3. Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure secretariat is in Mumbai.

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

2. Consider the following statements:

- Energy Transition Index 2023 was topped by Denmark.
- As per Financial Stability Report 2023, Gross Non-Performing Assets (GNPA) ratio of Scheduled commercial banks (SCBs) fell to 3.9% recently.
- 3. CDRI was launched by Indian PM in 2019.

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

3. Consider the following statements:

- 1. World Economic Forum is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.
- 2. The Global Financial Stability Report (GFSR) is a semiannual report by the World Bank.
- CDRI is the Gol's second major global initiative outside of UN, after the International Solar Alliance.

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

 Excessive sharing of children details like pictures, videos by parents on social media is called-

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- A. Parenting
- B. Social-parenting
- C. Kids clout parenting
- D. Sharenting

ANSWER: D

5. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Ol Chiki Script is writing system for Maithili language.
- 2. Xylazine or Zombie drug cause flesh rot near injection sites.
- 3. Development of a National Maritime Heritage Complex has been announced at Dholavira in Gujarat.

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

6. Consider the following statements:

- 92nd Constitutional Amendment Act added Bodo, Dogri, Maithili and Santhali languages to Schedule VIII.
- 2. Xylazine can also cause amnesia and slow down breathing, heart rate, and blood pressure to extremely low levels.
- 3. National Maritime Heritage Complex is being developed under Sagarmala program.

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

- 1. There are about 70.3 million speakers of Santali in India according to 2011 census.
- Xylazine has been approved by the US FDA for human use.

3. Gujarat has more than 200 Indus Valley Civilization sites.

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. In 2022, India added a total of 664 animal species to its faunal database.
- 2. Gucchi or Morel Mushrooms, are among the costliest fungi in the world.
- 3. Ashadha Purnima falls every year on the new moon day of the month of Ashadha.

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:

- 1. Zoological Survey of India is headquartered at Mumbai.
- 2. Gucchi Mushrooms can normally be found on southerly slopes and sunny areas before showing up on the northern side of hills.
- 3. The first teaching of Gautam Budha after attaining Enlightenment to the first five ascetic disciples- panchavargiya was in Lumbini.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

10. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Botanical Survey of India was established in 1890.
- 2. Gujjars living in the mountains are known as skilled morel hunters.
- 3. Guru Purniam is also celebrated as Esala Poya in Sri Lanka and Asanha Bucha in Thailand.

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

11. Consider the following statements:

 eSARAS mobile App has been launched by Deendayal Antyodaya Yojna- National Rural Livelihoods Mission.

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- 2. SWAMIH stands for Special Window for Affordable and Mid-Income Housing.
- NADA India recently signed a MoU with South Asia Regional Anti-Doping Organization (SARADO).

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

12. Consider the following statements:

- e-SARAS app will be platform for marketing of the products made by tribal craftsmen.
- 2. SWAMIH fund is sponsored by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and is managed by SBICAP Ventures Ltd.
- India is a member of South Asia Regional Anti-Doping Organization.

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

13. Consider the following statements:

- 1. DAY-NRLM is the flagship program of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
- 2. Net-worth-positive projects are also eligible for SWAMIH funding.
- 3. National Anti-Doping Agency is under Department of pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- A. 1 only
- B. 2 only

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

ANSWER: B

14. Consider the following statements:

- Small Finance Banks are registered as a public limited company under the Companies Act, 2013.
- 2. Price Monitoring Division currently tracks daily food prices of 12 commodities.
- 3. At Indian Ocean Geoid Low, Earth's gravitational pull is at its weakest.

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

15. Consider the following statements:

- A Small Finance Bank needs to extend 60% of its Adjusted Net Bank Credit (ANBC) to priority sector lending.
- 2. Price Monitoring Division is under Ministry of Finance.
- 3. IOGL is called highest geoid anomaly on Earth.

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

16. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Capital Small Finance Bank was India's first small finance bank.
- Price Monitoring Division also implements commodity-specific market intervention schemes to give temporary relief to the consumers.
- 3. Presence of heavier materials in the upper to mid-mantle below IOGL was responsible for the low gravity in this region.

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

17. Consider the following statements:

1. World Investment Report was recently released by World Bank.

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- 2. India's first Tele-MANAS chatbot was launched in Jammu & Kashmir.
- 3. Blackbuck is the State animal of Rajasthan.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

18. Consider the following statements:

- 1. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development is headquartered in Geneva.
- National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro-Sciences(NIMHANS) is the nodal centre for Tele-MANAS.
- 3. IUCN Red List of Chinkara is Vulnerable.

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

19. Consider the following statements:

- 1. India has never hosted a UNCTAD Conference.
- 2. Tele-MANAS is a three-tier system- national, state, district.
- 3. Chinkara inhabits arid areas, including sand deserts, flat plains and hills etc.

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

- 1. Peste Des Petits Ruminants (PPR) disease has been recently reported from Himachal Pradesh.
- 2. Naegleria fowleri is a single-cell organism found in sea water.

3. 'Annapurti', seen in news recently, is a milk dispensing machine.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: B

21. Consider the following statements:

- 1. PPR is caused by a morbillivirus and affects goats, sheep, camels etc.
- 2. Naegleria fowleri infection does not spread from person to person.
- 3. 'Annapurti' has been developed by World Food Programme (WFP) 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: D

22. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The PPR virus can also infect humans.
- 2. Naegleria fowleri can be fatal with a recorded death rate of 97%.
- 3. 'Annapurti' dispensing machine is highly energy intensive.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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

ANSWER: B

23. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Performance Grading Index 2.0 was recently released by Pratham Foundation.
- 2. GSLV is known as the 'workhorse' of ISRO.
- 3. Chemical Weapons Convention is administered by the UN Security Council.

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

24. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The first PGI was released in 2017-18.
- 2. ISRO will launch its Chandrayaan 3 mission on July 14 onboard an LVM-3.

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3. Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons is headquartered at New York.

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

25. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Chandigarh and Punjab have been adjudged the best performers in PGI 2.0
- 2. The LVM-3 is a three stage launch vehicle consisting of solid, liquid and cryogenic fuels.
- 3. OPCW was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2013.

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

26. Consider the following statements:

- 1. PBW RS1, seen recently in news, is a variety of millets (jowar).
- 2. Neutrinos are high mass fundamental particles which can travel unaffected by most matters.
- 3. Candida auris cultures have been recently detected in stray dogs in New Delhi.

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: A

27. Consider the following statements:

1. PBW-RS1 IS known to reduce risks of type-2 diabetes and cardiovascular diseases.

- 2. Neutrinos are electrically neutral, undisturbed by even the strongest magnetic field.
- 3. Candida auris is a type of multi drug resistant bacteria.

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

28. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The higher the Glycemic Index of a specific food, the less it may affect the blood sugar levels.
- 2. The IceCube Neutrino Observatory is a unique detector located below Arctic icesheet.
- 3. Candida auris was first detected in India.

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

29. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Swedish submarine manufacturer Navantia and India's Larsen and Toubro (L&T) will jointly bid for Project 75I.
- 2. Brucelloisis disease is a zoonotic disease.
- Intel has recently announced to have found Majorana zero modes to revolutionise Quantum computing.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: B

30. Consider the following statements:

- Project-75I envisages construction of six advanced submarines in India with 100% indigenous content.
- 2. In Brucellosis disease, person-to-person transmission is rare.

3. Pair, or bound states, of fermions that are their own antiparticles are called Majorana zero modes.

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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

31. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Air-independent propulsion (AIP) System can be fitted in nuclear powered submarines only.
- 2. Brucellosis disease is a fungal disease.
- 3. Entanglement means that each quantum bits or qubit can represent both 1 and 0 at the same time.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: D

32. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Global Multi-Dimensional Poverty Index (MPI) is released by World Bank.
- 2. Indians aged from 45 to 59 can opt for Senior Citizen Savings Scheme (SCSS) to secure a regular pension after attaining 60 years of age.
- 3. Mukurthi National Park is located in Kerala.

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

33. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The MPI tracks deprivations in 10 indicators across 3 dimensions.
- 2. Premature withdrawal is allowed in SCSS after 6 months of opening the account.
- 3. Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve was the first Biosphere reserve of India.

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

34. Consider the following statements:

- 1. India is one of the 25 nations that halved its multidimensional poverty within 15 years.
- 2. Maximum Deposit limit under SCSS is Rs 15 lakhs.
- 3. The IUCN red list status of Nilgiri Tahr is critically endangered.

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

35. Consider the following statements:

- 1. During solar maximum, large numbers of sunspots appear.
- 2. USA has recently passed the Nature Restoration Law.
- 3. The State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) has been constituted in each State under Section 48 (1) (a) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005.

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

36. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Solar minima are correlated with changes in climate.
- Nature Restoration Law aims to restore habitats and species covering 20% of land/sea areas by 2030.
- 3. The Central Government contributes 60% to the SDRF in general States and 90% in North-East and Himalayan States.

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

37. Consider the following statements:

1. Every 9 years or so, the Sun's magnetic field completely flips.

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- 2. Peatland, is a type of wetland that stores more carbon than any other ecosystem.
- 3. The annual Central contribution to SDRF is released in 4 quarterly installments.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: B

38. Consider the following statements:

- Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) is the most common and fatal type of muscular dystrophy.
- Human-induced climate change has altered the colour of more than half of the world's oceans in the last 20 years.
- 3. Kaas plateau or pathar is located in Maharashtra.

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

39. Consider the following statements:

- Due to DMD, children have reduced bone density and an increased risk of developing fractures.
- MODIS (or Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer) was launched by European Space Agency.
- Kaas plateau is inscribed in UNESCO World Natural Heritage Site lists under the name of Western Ghats.

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

40. Consider the following statements:

- 1. DMD majorly affects boys and men are usually carriers of the genetic trait that causes DMD.
- 2. MODIS takes measurements in seven visible wavelengths.
- 3. Kaas plateau falls under the Sahyadri Sub-Cluster of the Western Ghats.

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. Sushruta Jayanti is celebrated every year on 15th July to honour Sushruta, the father of surgery.
- 2. France celebrates its national day on July 15th, also known as Bastille Day.
- 3. Google has unveiled NFT policy for Play Store to incorporate tokens into games.

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

42. Consider the following statements:

- Sushruta, Charaka, and Vagbhata together are considered to be "The Trinity" of Ayurvedic knowledge.
- 2. PM Modi was conferred upon with France's highest honour, the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour
- 3. Currencies, Bitcoin, Stocks, Mutual Funds are example of Non Fungible Assets.

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

43. Consider the following statements:

1. Sushruta Samhita is divided into two parts-Purva Tantra and Uttara tantra.

- 2. The Order was established by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802.
- 3. NFTs are cryptographic assets which work on a block-chain technology.

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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

44. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Aruna Asaf Ali was born in Uttar Pradesh.
- United Kingdom has become the first European country to join the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP).
- 3. Hoolock Gibbon is the only ape species found 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: B

45. Consider the following statements:

- Aruna Asaf Ali hoisted the Indian flag at Gowalia Tank Maidan in Mumbai during Quit India Movement in 1942.
- 2. CPTPP aims to eliminate tariffs and reduces barriers for 98% of exports within CPTPP member countries.
- 3. IUCN Red list categorises the western hoolock gibbon as 'vulnerable.'

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: C

- Aruna Asaf Ali was awarded the Bharat Ratna posthumously in 1997.
- 2. South Korea is not a member of CPTPP.

3. Gibbons are the smallest and fastest of all apes of the world.

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: D

47. Consider the following statements:

- Export Preparedness Index (EPI) 2022 was recently released by Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
- 2. Radio Thermoelectric Generators use nuclear fusion to generate energy.
- 3. Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever (CCHF) is a bacterial haemorrhagic fever.

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

48. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Tamil Nadu topped among coastal states and Chandigarh topped among UTs/small states in EPI 2022.
- 2. RTGs are independent of solar proximity and planetary alignment.
- 3. CCHF is usually transmitted by female anopheles mosquito.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

49. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Only 87 districts in the country are responsible for nearly 100% of the country's export.
- 2. Thermocouple is a material that develops a voltage if there is a heat gradient across it.
- 3. CCHF has a high case fatality ratio of 10–40%.

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: B

50. Consider the following statements:

 Universal Postal Union is headquartered at Geneva, Switzerland.

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- 2. Bura Chapori Wildlife Sanctuary is located in West Bengal.
- 3. BIMSTEC Secretariat is located in Kathmandu, Nepal.

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

51. Consider the following statements:

- 1. UPU is the second oldest international organization worldwide.
- 2. The IUCN Red List of Bengal Florican is 'Endangered'.
- 3. The BIMSTEC Charter was signed and adopted in 2012.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

52. Consider the following statements:

- 1. India joined the UPU in 1948.
- 2. Bura Chapori Wildlife Sanctuary is located on southern bank of Brahmaputra.
- 3. BIMSTEC grouping accounts for 22% of the world's 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: B

- 1. A Minimum Guaranteed Income Bill 2023 was tabled recently in Rajasthan legislature.
- 2. Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve is located in Kerala.
- 3. Nivruti Rai has joined as the new Managing Director & CEO of Invest India.

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

54. Consider the following statements:

- Rajasthan Minimum Guaranteed Income Bill 2023 provides each adult citizen of the state a guaranteed minimum income for 150 days a year
- 2. Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve is the 51st tiger reserve of India.
- 3. Invest India is the National Investment Promotion and Facilitation Agency formed in 2014.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: A

55. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Rajasthan Minimum Guaranteed Income Bill 2023 provides pension of Rs 1000/month to special category of citizen.
- 2. Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve helps in rejuvenation of Vaigai river.
- 3. Invest India plays a role in executing the government's flagship initiatives including Make in India, Startup India etc.

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

56. Consider the following statements:

 BepiColombo is a joint mision by NASA and Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency to Mercury.

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- 2. STAR C Initiative is associated with space exploration among least developed countries.
- ISRO has successfully tested Chandrayaan's Service Module Propulsion System recently.

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

57. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Auroras on Earth are triggered when a stream of charged particles emitted by the Sun interact with the troposphere.
- International Solar Alliance and UNIDO, with funding of the Government of France, are implementing the STAR-C project.
- 3. LVM3 (Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle Mk III) is identified as the launch vehicle for Gaganyaan mission.

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

58. Consider the following statements:

- Auroras on the Mercury are created when solar wind, interacts directly with the planet's surface.
- 2. In the Pacific, the STAR-C project is currently running in Tonga.
- Gaganyaan project has two manned missions and one unmanned mission approved by the government.

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

59. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Indravati Tiger Reserve is located in Jharkhand.
- 2. Womesh Chandra Banerjee was first Indian to contest a seat in the British Parliament and win.
- 3. Logistics Data Bank Project was launched in 2021 under Sagarmala initiative.

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

60. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Indravati was declared a tiger reserve in 1983.
- 2. Womesh Chandra Banerjee became the first Indian to be appointed as a permanent lawyer.
- 3. Logistics Data Bank Project is a joint project of India and USA.

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

61. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Indravati Tiger reserve is home to one of the last remaining populations of the 'critically endangered' wild water buffalo.
- 2. Womesh Chandra Banerjee was the inaugural president of the Indian National Congress at Bombay in 1885.
- 3. Ministry of Corporate Affairs is the nodal ministry for Logistics Data Bank Project.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

62. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Bal Gangadhar Tilak was born in Gujarat.
- 2. 'World Fragile X Awareness Day' is observed on July 22nd.

3. Ludwiga peruviana, seen in news, is a species of frogs.

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Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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

ANSWER: C

63. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Tilak joined the Indian National Congress in 1885.
- 2. 'Fragile X Syndrome' was first reported in 1943.
- 3. Ludwiga peruviana is among the 22 priority invasive plants in Tamil Nadu.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: C

64. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Tilak published the newspapers Kesari in English and Mahratta in Marathi.
- 2. There is no cure for Fragile X syndrome (FXS).
- 3. Ludwiga peruviana can regrow from the root or broken stems that fall in the swamp.

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. Admiral Lisa Franchetti has been recently nominated to head-

- A. Russian Navy
- B. French Navy
- C. New Zealand Navy
- D. US Navy

ANSWER: D

66. Consider the following statements:

 The panel to review the methodology of the National Statistical Organisation will be headed by Amitabh Kant.

- 2. Fluorochemicals are used to produce plastics, agrochemicals, lithium-ion batteries, and drugs.
- 3. Using Hygroelectricity, we can generate electricity from humid air.

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: B

67. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Base Year for Index of Industrial Production is 2011-2012.
- 2. Fluorspar is mined and then treated with sulphuric acid at a high temperature to release hydrogen fluoride.
- 3. Harvesting electricity from humid air lies in a tiny device comprising two electrodes and a thin layer of material filled with nanopores.

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

68. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The 8 core industries of India represent about 30% of the weight of items that are included in the IIP.
- 2. Hydrogen fluoride is a safe and inert gas with limited reactivity.
- 3. Hygroelectricity technology can be applied to wood and silicon etc. as well.

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

69. Consider the following statements:

1. In full-reserve banking, banks are not allowed to lend out money that they receive from customers in the form of time deposits.

2. ICMR-NIV has found evidence of the Nipah virus circulation in the bat population across nine states and 1 Union Territory.

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3. STARFIRE algorithm can estimate the Radio Frequency Interference (RFI) emitted by FM radio stations, WiFi networks, mobile towers etc.

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

70. Consider the following statements:

- 1. In Fractional Reserve banking, banks lend more money than the cash they have in their vaults.
- 2. India reported its first outbreak of Nipah virus in Kerala.
- 3. For STARFIRE algorithm, scientists used data from 6 Asian countries.

Which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

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

ANSWER: C

71. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Full-reserve banking boosts and smoothens bank lending.
- 2. Nipah Virus (NiV) is a type of DNA virus transmitted in humans through its natural hosts, fruit bats.
- 3. STARFIRE algorithm can be handy in orbit selection for future missions.

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: C

- 1. Jim Skea has been elected as the new chair of IPCC.
- 2. The International Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre has been named 'Bharat Mandapam'.

3. INDIAai and Google have recently signed a MoU to collaborate on AI and emerging technologies.

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

73. Consider the following statements:

- 1. IPCC is headquartered at Nairobi, Kenya.
- 2. Anubhava Mantapa was one of the earliest Parliaments in history of mankind.
- 3. INDIAai is the National Artificial Intelligence Portal of 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: B

74. Consider the following statements:

- 1. IPCC does not itself engage in scientific research.
- 2. Lord Basava was the president and Prabhudeva acted as the prime minister.
- 3. INDIAai, a joint venture by Ministry of Science and Technology, National e-Governance Division and NASSCOM.

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: B

75. Consider the following statements:

 Resource Efficiency Circular Economy Industry Coalition was recently launched recently at G20 Environment and Climate Sustainability Working Group meeting.

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- 2. Digital Payment Index is released by NITI Aayog.
- 3. Dengue is a mosquito-borne tropical disease caused by the dengue virus of Genus Flavivirus.

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

76. Consider the following statements:

1. RECEIC is a government driven initiative aimed at promoting resource efficiency and circular economy practices globally.

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- 2. India has gained the third place in digital payments, coming only after US and China.
- 3. There are 4 distinct serotypes of the dengue virus.

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

77. Consider the following statements:

- 39 companies headquartered in 11 different countries have joined RECEIC as its founding members.
- Digital Payments Index is published on a halfyearly basis.
- 3. Wolbachia bacteria prevent viruses like dengue from growing inside mosquitoes.

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

78. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Ureilite, seen recently in news, is a type of carbon isotope.
- 2. The product basket of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana has increased to 1,800 medicines and 285 surgical equipment.
- 3. Project Tiger and Project Elephant have been merged under MoEFCC.

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

79. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Dhala crater is situated in Madhya Pradesh.
- 2. PMBJP was launched as "Jan Aushadhi Scheme" in 2015.
- 3. International Tiger Day has been observed annually on July 29th.

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

80. Consider the following statements:

 Dhala crater is Asia's largest and the world's 7th largest impact crater.

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- 2. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is the nodal ministry for Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana.
- 3. Project Elephant was launched in 1992.

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

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- 1. The Bhootnath bridge is built across the river-
- A. Beas
- B. Ravi
- C. Satluj
- D. Spiti

ANSWER: A

- 2. Phina Singh Canal is located in which district?
- A. Kangra
- B. Shimla
- C. Lhaul Spiti
- D. Hamirpur

ANSWER: A

3. Lhaul Spiti in Himachal Pradesh falls in-

Civilslap

Seismic Zone II

Seismic Zone III

Seismic Zone IV

Seismic Zone V

ANSWER: D

- 4. Sangla Valley is located in the district of-
- A. Lhaul Spiti
- B. Kinnaur
- C. Kullu
- D. Kangra

ANSWER: B

- 5. Minjar Fair is organized in the district of-
- A. Shimla

- B. Solan
- C. Chamba
- D. Kullu

ANSWER: C

- 6. The centuries-old Panchvaktra temple, dedicated to Lord Shiva, is located in
- A. Shimla
- B. Kinnaur
- C. Mandi
- D. Solan

ANSWER: C

- 7. Bara Bhangal is located in Kangra district and _____ river passes through it.
- A. Saluj
- B. Ravi
- C. Beas
- D. none of the above

ANSWER: B

- 8. The biggest storage tank in the state is being constructed in which district?
- A. Una
- B. Lhaul Spiti
- C. Solan
- D. Shimla

ANSWER: A

9. Which of the following has become the first 13. Malana dam is built across Malana, which is a institute in the state to secure an 'A+' grade tributary of _____ river. from the National Assessment and A. Satlui Accreditation Council (NAAC)? B. Parvati A. Shoolini university C. Ravi B. NIT Hamirpur D. Yamuna C. Central University of Himachal Pradesh **ANSWER: B** D. IIT Mandi 14. Sainj River is a tributary of-**ANSWER: C** A. Beas 10. Agniveer Training Centre has been opened at B. Ravi ACC cement factory in C. Satlui A. Shimla D. Pabbar B. Bilaspur C. Solan **ANSWER: A** D. Chamba 15. A world-class zoological park and a safari is **ANSWER: B** coming up in _____district. 11. Sashakt Mahila Rin Yojana offers collateral free A. Sirmaur loans at the rate of interest of-B. Shimla A. 8.25 % C. Lhaul Spiti B. 8.51% D. Kangra C. 8.75 %

D. 8.91 % **ANSWER: B**

- 12. The State Commission for Water Cess on Hydropower Generation will be headed by-
- A. Bhupendra Nath
- B. Joginder Singh
- C. Rishabh Lamba
- D. Amitabh Awasthi

ANSWER: D

B. KangraC. Shimla

16. Sukharhar medium irrigation project is a

proposed irrigation project in-

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D. Solan

ANSWER: D

A. Lhaul Spiti

ANSWER: B

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