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Multiple Choice Questions

1. With reference to NITI Aayog, consider the following statements:
1. It is a statutory body.
 2. Prime Minister acts as chairperson of NITI Aayog.
 3. Team India Hub builds think-tank capabilities of NITI Aayog.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 3 only
2. With reference to Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), consider the following statements:
1. Entrepreneurship promotion through Self-Employment and Talent Utilization is core function of AIM.
 2. It is a flagship initiative of NITI Aayog.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
3. With reference to Aflatoxin M1 (AFM1), recently seen in the news, consider the following statements:
1. This toxin is produced by fungi.
 2. It is carcinogenic in nature.
 3. It is a milk contaminant.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
4. With reference to 'eDantseva', recently seen in the news, consider the following statements:
1. It aims to provide free oral healthcare across India.
 2. 'Symptom Checker' is a unique feature of this digital platform.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
5. Consider the following pairs:
- | Military Exercises | Participating Countries |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Yudh Abhyas | India and Sri Lanka |
| 2. Maitree | India and Nepal |
| 3. AUMX | India and Australia |
- Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) None of the above
6. With reference to Trans Fat Free Logo, consider the following statements:
1. WHO has launched this logo.
 2. It is mandatory for all food manufacturers to use it.
 3. It will help achieve the FSSAI led 'Eat Right India' movement.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
7. With reference to Trans Fat, consider the following statements:
1. They are manufactured by adding hydrogen to liquid vegetable oils.
 2. They are naturally found in dairy products.
 3. It is used to extend processed food shelf life.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
8. With reference to National Program for Control of Blindness, consider the following statements:
1. India is the first country to launch a National Program for Blindness and Visual Impairment.
 2. It aims to eliminate blindness prevalence by 2020.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
9. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY)-Urban, consider the following statements:
1. It aims to achieve Housing for all by 2022.
 2. It seeks to address the housing requirement of slum dwellers.
 3. It is launched by Ministry of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
10. With reference to National Water Mission, consider the following statements:
1. It assesses the impact of climate change on water resources.
 2. It is one of the missions under the National Action Plan for Climate Change (NAPCC).
 3. It aims to increase water use efficiency by 100%.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
11. With reference to National Health Systems Resource Centre (NHSRC), consider the following statements:
1. It is set up under the Ayushman Bharat or Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY).
 2. It aims to improve health outcomes by facilitating governance reform.
 3. It serves as an apex body for technical assistance.
 4. Its governing body is chaired by Minister of Health and Family welfare.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 only

12. With reference to Elephant Endotheliotropic HerpesVirus (EEHV), consider the following statements:
1. It can cause a highly fatal haemorrhagic disease in old Asian elephants.
 2. There is no true cure for herpesviruses in animals or in humans.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
13. With reference to Ayurveda, consider the following statements:
1. Its foundations were laid by the Mimamsa schools of Hindu philosophy.
 2. Its therapeutic principles focus on prakriti and purusha.
 3. It has been regarded as an upaveda of Atharva Veda.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1 and 3
14. Which of the following texts contains knowledge about Ayurveda?
1. Atharva Veda
 2. Charaka Samhita
 3. Ashtanaga Hridaya
 4. Sushruta Samhita
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 1, 2 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
15. With reference to (PMKVY), consider the following statements:
1. Under this scheme, Skill training would be done as per National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF).
 2. Any unemployed Indian youth is eligible to apply for this scheme.
 3. Under this Scheme, Training and Assessment fees are shared by Government and the youth equally.
 4. Recognition of prior learning certificates is provided under this scheme to recognise informal learning as a formal level of education.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 1, 2 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
16. With reference to Ranitidine, consider the following statements:
1. It is an over-the-counter drug in India.
 2. It contains N-nitrosodimethylamine that is probable carcinogenic and environmental contaminants.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
17. With reference to Central Drugs Standard Control Organization (CDSCO), consider the following statements:
1. It is responsible for approval of Drugs and conduct of Clinical Trials.
 2. It ensures safety, efficacy and quality of the medical product manufactured and imported in the country.
 3. It is the highest statutory decision-making body on technical matters related to drugs in the country.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
18. With reference to Project Soli, consider the following statements:
1. It works on a custom-built machine learning (ML) model.
 2. It can be used to detect and interpret hand movements and gestures.
 3. It uses radar-based chip that emits electromagnetic waves to detect possible movements.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
19. With reference to 'Project NETRA', consider the following statements:
1. It is a joint programme of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).
 2. It will help to detect debris and other hazards to Indian satellites.
 3. It will serve as a warning system against missile or a space attack against India.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
20. Consider the following statements about Head on Generation system or HOG technology:
1. In this system, train coaches receive power from diesel-fuelled power cars for lighting.
 2. It is cost efficient than End on Generation system.
 3. It will help railways to earn carbon credits.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
21. SUGAM, often seen in news, refers to which of the following?
- (a) Grievance redressal portal
(b) Web-portal for custom clearance
(c) e-governance school management system
(d) Licensing portal of CDSCO
22. Which of the following statement is rightly defining objective of setting up Youth Co:Lab?
- (a) Support setting up of political organization of young people.
(b) Accelerate social entrepreneurship and innovation among youths.
(c) Encourage youth voter to participate in India's political system.
(d) Spread awareness about substance abuse among youths.
23. With reference to electric vehicle, consider the following statements:
1. Compared to traditional cars, electric vehicles are cheaper.
 2. India has abundant lithium reserves but lacks advanced technology to extract it profitably.
 3. National electric mobility mission aims for faster adoption and manufacturing of electric vehicles.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) None of the above

- 24.** With reference to Convolutional Neural Networks (CNNs), consider the following statements:
1. This neural network is used for image recognition and their classifications.
 2. It can be used for predicting zonal distribution of sea surface temperatures.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 25.** Consider the following statements:
1. Asteroids are found only in asteroid belt of our solar system.
 2. Dawn spacecraft was launched by NASA to study Bennu asteroid
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 26.** Which of the following region is formed, when Solar wind interacts with Earth's Magnetosphere?
- (a) Intertail region (b) Magnetotail region
(c) Geotail region (d) Interstellar tail region
- 27.** Consider the following statements:
1. Jupiter has largest number of moons.
 2. Jupiter has the biggest moon.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 28.** With reference to Libra crypto currency, consider the following statements:
1. It is a block chain based crypto currency by Facebook.
 2. It will function as a stable coin as government regulators will govern it.
 3. It is backed by a reserve of assets.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 29.** Which of the following correctly defines the objective of 'GOLD Mission'?
- (a) To explore outer space dark energy.
(b) To undertake deep ocean mining.
(c) To determine the impact of geomagnetic storms on temperature and composition of earth's thermosphere.
(d) To determine the impact of space debris on space missions.
- 30.** With reference to Ionosphere, consider the following statements:
1. It is the charged part of upper atmosphere.
 2. It houses the International Space Station
 3. It acts as a critical pathway for communications satellites.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 31.** With reference to ICON mission, consider the following statements:
1. This World Meteorological Organization mission aims to study space weather.
 2. It will explore the dynamic region where air meets space.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 32.** With reference to green crackers like SWAS, STAR and SAFAL, often seen in the news, consider the following statements:
1. Petroleum and Explosives Safety Organisation has developed these green crackers.
 2. A green logo and QR code is developed to differentiate them from conventional crackers.
 3. They contain barium nitrate to match sound intensity with conventional crackers.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 3 only
- 33.** With reference to Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), consider the following statements:
1. This autonomous R&D body is funded by central government.
 2. Minister of Science & Technology acts as a president of CSIR.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 34.** With reference to Thirty-Meter Telescope, consider the following statements:
1. It is the world's largest ground-based optical and infrared telescope in the northern hemisphere.
 2. India is contributing by providing hardware and software for this telescope
 3. It will enable scientists to study early stages of the Universe evolution.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 35.** With reference to Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize, consider the following statements:
1. It is awarded by Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC).
 2. Both Indian and foreigners engaged in field of science and technology are eligible to apply for this prize.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 36.** Phazolicin, often seen in the news, refers to which of the following?
- (a) Newly discovered drug for XDR-TB
(b) Newly discovered fungicide
(c) Newly discovered Antibiotics
(d) Newly discovered drug for Alzheimer's disease.
- 37.** Consider the following statements about 'plant probiotic':
1. These naturally occurring plant-associated microorganisms can enhance growth of host plants.
 2. Rhizobium species can be used as plant probiotic.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

38. With reference to High Temperature Fuel Cell System, consider the following statements:
1. It generates power-using methanol with heat and water as by-products.
 2. It is most suitable for portable power applications like mobile phones.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
39. Goldschmidtite, often seen in the news, refers to which of the following?
- (a) Transition metals (b) Superconductors
(c) Dwarf planet (d) Newly discovered mineral
40. Consider the following statements about diamonds:
1. They are found mainly in lower mantle
 2. They can give clues about the composition of mantle.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
41. Recently, Indo-Thai CORPAT naval exercise was conducted to:
- (a) Ensure effective implementation of United Nations Convention on Laws of the Sea
(b) Prevent deep ocean mining
(c) Ensure Zero marine pollution
(d) Prevent China adventurism in Indian Oceans.
42. Which of the following country has proposed the Free and Open Indo-Pacific strategy (FOIPS)?
- (a) India (b) China
(c) Japan (d) Australia
43. With reference to Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU), consider the following statements:
1. It is an intergovernmental body for security and economic cooperation in the Eurasian region
 2. India is a founding member of EAEU.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
44. With reference to Shanghai Cooperation Organisation, consider the following statements:
1. India joined it as a full member during Astana summit.
 2. Its priority is to fight against terrorism, separatism and extremism.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
45. A price mechanism where crude oil suppliers charge extra to develop their own security infrastructure is referred as:
- (a) Asian premium (b) Security premium
(c) Geopolitical premium (d) Royalty premium
46. The Strait of Hormuz is a narrow strait that connects which of the following?
- (a) Red sea and Gulf of Aden
(b) Atlantic Ocean to the Mediterranean Sea
(c) Persian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman
(d) Gulf of Aden and Persian Gulf
47. Houthi tribe, often seen in the news, are natives of which of the following country?
- (a) Oman (b) Nigeria
(c) Iran (d) Yemen
48. What is "AITIGA", often seen in news?
- (a) Comprehensive Economic Partnership among ASEAN nations
(b) Regional free trade agreement among twelve Pacific Rim countries
(c) Free Trade Agreement between India and ASEAN nations
(d) Trade and Investment Agreement between India and EU
49. Consider the following statements:
1. National Strategic Plan for TB elimination aims to eliminate TB from India by 2022.
 2. Nikshay Poshan Yojana was launched to provide medicinal support to TB patients.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
50. Composite Water Management Index (CWMI) is published by which of the following?
- (a) Jal Shakti Ministry
(b) NITI Aayog
(c) National institute of Hydrology
(d) Geological Survey of India
51. With reference to Water Footprint, consider the following statements:
1. It measures the amount of water used to produce goods and services.
 2. Blue water footprint measures amount of water from precipitation that is stored in the root zone of the soil and transpired by plants.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
52. "Plogging" sometimes seen in news, refers to
- (a) Grafting technique
(b) Farming activity
(c) Fitness and environmental activity
(d) Moulding technique
53. Consider the following statements about National Resource Efficiency Authority:
1. This statutory body works under administrative control of Ministry of Earth Science.
 2. It creates and maintains a database of material used and waste generated.
 3. It is mandated to reduce India's mineral raw materials import dependence.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3 only
54. With reference to the Basel Convention, consider the following statements:

1. Basel Convention controls transboundary movement of radioactive waste.
2. Basel Ban Amendment prohibits export of all electronic wastes from Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) to non-OECD countries.
3. India becomes the first developing country to ratify the Basel Convention Ban Amendment.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

55. With reference to Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), consider the following statements:

1. It is an intergovernmental organisation of oil-exporting developing nations to ensure oil prices stability.
2. It extends economic aid to developing countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

56. With reference to Atlantic meridional overturning circulation (AMOC), consider the following statements:

1. It is Earth's largest water circulation systems.
2. Rising temperatures in Indian Ocean can boost AMOC.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

57. In Indian context, Right to Internet Access is a?

- (a) Fundamental Right (b) Statutory Right
(c) Natural Right (d) Both (a) and (b)

58. Consider the following statements about National Digital Literacy Mission:

1. It aims to make at least one person per family digitally literate.
2. This project is funded by the Universal Service Obligation Fund.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

59. Consider the following statements about "GEMINI":

1. Airports Authority of India (AAI) in collaboration with Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) have launched it.
2. This satellite based communication system will help in seamless dissemination of emergency information to fishermen.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

60. Madhav Gadgil expert panel was constituted to suggest conservation strategy for which of the following region?

- (a) Himalayan region (b) Western Ghats region
(c) Eastern Ghats region (d) Coastal regions

61. With reference to National e-Assessment Centre, consider the following statements:

1. It will be set up by the Central Board of Direct Taxes to implement faceless e-Assessment Scheme.
2. It will promote ease of doing business.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

62. Consider the following statements about Anaemia:

1. Iron deficiency is the most common cause of anaemia.
2. It impairs immunity and increases the risk of infant and maternal mortality.
3. As per National Family Health Survey-4, Urban Indian women are more prone to anaemia than rural one.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) All of the above

63. Which of the following is/are economic and ecological benefits of Bee?

1. Act as indicator species.
2. Contribute in world food production.
3. Preserve ecological balance.
4. Maintain genetic and biotic diversity.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

64. With reference to Bibek Debroy Committee to transform Indian railways, consider the following statements:

1. It proposed commercial accounting for Indian railways.
2. It recommended private players entry into running both freight and passenger trains.
3. It recommends setting up a Railway Regulatory Authority of India (RRAI).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

65. With reference to Climate Vulnerability Map, consider the following statements:

1. It is being implemented as part of National Mission on Strategic Knowledge for Climate Change (NMSKCC).
2. It is developed by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

66. With reference to District Mineral Foundation (DMF), consider the following statements:

1. It is set up as a non-profit body for mining affected districts.
2. It is funded by State government.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

67. With reference to Pradhan Mantri Khanij Kshetra Kalyan Yojana (PMKKKY), consider the following statements:

1. It aims to ensure long-term sustainable livelihoods for the affected people in mining areas
2. It is implemented by Indian Bureau of Mines
3. At least 60% of the funds under the PMKKKY have to be used for infrastructure projects.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1 and 3

68. With reference to Western Ghats, consider the following statements:
1. They are spread across five Indian states.
 2. UNESCO has recognised it a biodiversity hotspots.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
69. Consider the following statements about Nobel Prize:
1. It can be awarded posthumously.
 2. So far, no Indian women has received this award.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
70. With reference to Right to information, consider the following statements:
1. It covers the whole of India, including Jammu and Kashmir.
 2. Constitution of India clearly mention about Right to information under Article 19 and Article 21.
 3. It mandates every public authority to provide information suo motu to the public.
 4. All NGOs and political parties come under the ambit of this act.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1, 2 and 4 only (b) 2, 3 and 4 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
71. "Baswan Committee" was constituted for recommending on which of the following?
- (a) BCCI structural Reforms
(b) Civil service Reforms
(c) Electoral Reforms
(d) Police Reform
72. With reference to 51 Pegasi b, consider the following statements:
1. It was the first exoplanet to be discovered orbiting a sun-like star.
 2. It was discovered by using Doppler spectroscopy.
 3. Its discovery helped scientists to understand the evolution of the universe.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
73. With reference to Lithium-ion batteries, consider the following statements:
1. They can handle hundreds of charge and discharge cycles.
 2. They are extremely sensitive to high temperatures.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
74. With reference to Saraswati Samman award, consider the following statements:
1. It was instituted by Sahitya Academy and Lalit Kala Academy.
 2. It is awarded for poetry literary works in any languages listed in Schedule VIII of Indian Constitution.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
75. Consider the following statements about "MOSAic Mission":
1. It is an Antarctic expedition mission.
 2. India is an expedition partner of this mission.
 3. It will help researchers in understanding the impact of climate change and will aid in improved weather projections.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
76. With reference to Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) Certification, consider the following statements:
1. It provides a third party guarantee of quality and safety of products.
 2. It is voluntary in nature.
 3. Recently, the Government has made BIS quality standard mandatory for tap water.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 3 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 2 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
77. Consider the following statements about Bharat Bill Payment System (BBPS):
1. It functions under the aegis of National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).
 2. Payments through the BBPS can be made using cash, transfer cheques, and electronic modes
 3. This integrated bill payment system can be used for making recurring bill payments including prepaid recharges.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
78. Consider the following statements about General Interbank Recurring Order (GIRO):
1. G. Padmanabhan committee was constituted to study the feasibility of implementing GIRO based payment systems in India.
 2. It is an automated electronic payment service that allows making monthly payment to Billing Organization (BO) from bank account directly.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
79. With reference to Group of seven (G-7), consider the following statements:
1. India is not a member of the G-7.
 2. European Union holds all the privileges of membership, including the right to host or chair a summit.
 3. G-7 members are largest nuclear energy producers and top contributors to the UN budget.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
80. Global Competitiveness Index is published by which of the following?
- (a) World Trade Organisation
(b) International Monetary Fund
(c) World Bank
(d) World Economic Forum

- 81.** With reference to National Intelligence Grid (NATGRID), consider the following statements:
1. It is a counter terrorism programme.
 2. It will use Big Data to study huge amounts of data from various intelligence agencies.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 82.** With reference to Association of World Election Bodies (A-WEB), consider the following statements:
1. It promotes gender equality and the inclusion of People with Disabilities in the electoral process.
 2. Election Commission of India is a founder member of this organisation.
 3. India took over its chair for 2019-21.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 83.** In context of International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), consider the following statements:
1. It was established under United Nations statute that defines its structure and functions.
 2. It reports to both the United Nations General Assembly and the Security Council.
 3. It performs the role of Nuclear watchdog.
 4. It has authority to act on its own.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 84.** During Ashoka's reign, "Rajukas" were appointed for which of the following purpose?
- (a) Monitoring market (b) Modernising Agriculture
(c) Collecting revenue (d) Developing Land records
- 85.** In context of International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), consider the following statements:
1. It was established under United Nations statute that defines its structure and functions.
 2. It reports to both United Nations General Assembly and Security Council.
 3. It performs the role of nuclear watchdog.
 4. It has authority to act on its own.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1, 3 and 4 only (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 86.** Consider the following statements about Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT):
1. It is an export control regime that prevents nuclear proliferation by controlling the export of materials and technology that can be used to manufacture nuclear weapons.
 2. India is a signatory to NPT.
 3. It was founded in response to Indian nuclear test.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) None of the above
- 87.** Kurdistan –a separate homeland for Kurds overlaps with the international boundaries of
- (a) Iraq (b) Iran
(c) Saudi Arabia (d) Both (a) and (b)
- 88.** With reference to World Energy Congress, consider the following statements:
1. World Energy Council hosts this event annually.
 2. It provides a unique platform to global energy leaders to explore new energy innovation areas.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 89.** With reference to World Energy Council, consider the following statements:
1. It is an UN-accredited global energy body.
 2. India is member of this international organisation.
 3. It works to promote the sustainable supply and use of energy for the greatest benefit of all people.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 90.** With reference to Inter Parliamentary Union (IPU), consider the following statements:
1. It is global organization of national parliament's that works to promote peace, democracy and sustainable development.
 2. It has permanent observer status at the United Nations General Assembly.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 91.** "Male declaration" adopted during fourth South Asian Speaker's Summit provides a roadmap to
- (a) Ensure transparency in electoral process
(b) Reduce criminalisation of politics
(c) Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
(d) Facilitate timely delivery of citizen-centric services
- 92.** With reference to Chalukyas of Badami, consider the following statements:
1. Pulakesin II was the real founder of this dynasty.
 2. They developed the Vesara style of temple building.
 3. They perfected the art of stone building without mortar.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 3 only
- 93.** With reference to UNESCO Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation, consider the following statements:
1. It recognizes private individual's efforts to restore and conserve structures of heritage value in the region.
 2. UNESCO co-organized Asia-Pacific Heritage 20/20 Forum to set a vision for linking heritage with sustainable development.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2

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94. Which of the following Indian structures got UNESCO heritage awards?
1. Vikram Sarabhai Library, Ahmedabad
 2. Ruttonjee Muljee Jetha, Mumbai
 3. Lady of Glory Church, Mumbai
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) 1, 2 and 3
95. With reference to Bandipur Tiger Reserve, consider the following statements:
1. It forms a part of Mysore Elephant Reserve (MER).
 2. NH 766 passes through this tiger reserve.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) 1 and 2 only (d) None of the above
96. Consider the following statements:
1. Financial assistance from State Disaster Response Funds can be used for compensation and mitigation measures.
 2. Central Government contributes 90 percent to the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF).
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
97. With reference to PACEsetter Fund, consider the following statements:
1. It provides grant funding to accelerate the commercialization of innovative off-grid clean energy products.
 2. This fund is jointly capitalized by India and the United States of America.
 3. The Energy and Resource Institute (TERI) act as administrator of this Fund.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

98. With reference to Sundarbans, consider the following statements:

1. It is the only mangrove forest in the world where tigers are found.
2. It is protected wetland under the Montreux Record.
3. It is a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only (b) 2 and 3 only
(c) 1 and 3 only (d) All of the above

99. With reference to Forest-PLUS 2.0, consider the following statements:

1. UNFCCC and Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate change has launched this project.
2. It aims to enhance sustainable forest and rivers landscape management in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

- 100.** With reference to Global Wealth Report, consider the following statements:

1. It is published by World Bank.
2. It determines wealth distribution inequality around the world.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

ANSWER KEY

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| 10. (a) | 11. (b) | 12. (b) | 13. (c) | 14. (d) | 15. (c) | 16. (b) | 17. (a) | 18. (d) |
| 19. (b) | 20. (b) | 21. (d) | 22. (b) | 23. (d) | 24. (c) | 25. (d) | 26. (c) | 27. (b) |
| 28. (c) | 29. (c) | 30. (d) | 31. (b) | 32. (b) | 33. (a) | 34. (d) | 35. (d) | 36. (c) |
| 37. (c) | 38. (a) | 39. (d) | 40. (b) | 41. (a) | 42. (c) | 43. (d) | 44. (c) | 45. (b) |
| 46. (c) | 47. (d) | 48. (c) | 49. (d) | 50. (b) | 51. (a) | 52. (c) | 53. (b) | 54. (b) |
| 55. (b) | 56. (c) | 57. (a) | 58. (d) | 59. (b) | 60. (b) | 61. (c) | 62. (a) | 63. (d) |
| 64. (d) | 65. (a) | 66. (a) | 67. (a) | 68. (b) | 69. (d) | 70. (c) | 71. (b) | 72. (d) |
| 73. (c) | 74. (b) | 75. (c) | 76. (c) | 77. (a) | 78. (c) | 79. (c) | 80. (d) | 81. (c) |
| 82. (d) | 83. (b) | 84. (c) | 85. (b) | 86. (d) | 87. (d) | 88. (b) | 89. (d) | 90. (c) |
| 91. (c) | 92. (b) | 93. (c) | 94. (d) | 95. (c) | 96. (b) | 97. (a) | 98. (c) | 99. (b) |
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