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**Q.1** Consider the following statements with regard to contempt of court?

1. The Supreme Court has power to punish for contempt not only of itself but also of high courts, subordinate courts and other tribunals functioning in the entire country.
2. Civil contempt means a willful disobedience to any judgment, order, writ or process of a court or willful breach of an undertaking given to the court.

Which of the above are incorrect?

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

**Q.2** Consider the following statements regarding Article 3 of the Indian Constitution.

1. Indian Territory can be ceded to a foreign country under article 3 and hence does not require constitutional amendment under article 368.
2. Boundary disputes between India and other country requires constitutional amendment.

Which of the above statements are correct.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both of them
- (d) Neither

**Q.3** In the Third Schedule, the forms of oaths are given for which of the following entities?

1. Comptroller and Auditor-General of India.
2. Judges of the Supreme and High Courts.
3. Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of the Legislative Council in the states.
4. President of India

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

**Q.4** Consider the following statement regarding Supreme Court of India.

1. Supreme Court of India came into existence in 1950.
2. The original Constitution envisaged a Supreme Court with a Chief Justice and 7 puisne Judges
3. The proceedings of the Supreme Court are conducted in English only.

Choose the incorrect statement

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

**Q.5** Consider the following statements in regard to special status of Jammu and Kashmir:

1. Jammu and Kashmir is the only State in India which has its own constitution.
2. The residuary powers are vested in Union Government and not in the State government.
3. The special leave jurisdiction of the Supreme Court and the jurisdiction of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India are applicable to the state.
4. The High Court of Jammu and Kashmir can issue writs for the enforcement of both the fundamental rights and for other legal rights.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 1 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (d) All of the above

**Q.6** Consider the following statements with regard to the social developments proliferated during Gupta period?

1. The castes proliferated into sub-castes as a result of foreigner's assimilation into the India society each group of them were considered a kind of caste.
2. The position of shudras downgraded to the extreme level, where they were now having no rights to worship or listen to Ramayana, Puranas.

Which of the above are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only

- (c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) None of the above
- Q.7** Consider the following with reference to the Neolithic settlements in India.
1. The Neolithic settlements were mainly confined in the North western part of India.
  2. They settle down only on the slopes of the hills, rock shelters and river valleys and they followed subsistence mode of production.
- Which of the above statements are true?
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) None of the above  
(d) All of the above.
- Q.8** Which of the following are not correct?
- (a) The end of Neolithic period saw the use of metals and the first to be used was copper.  
(b) The chalcolithic culture is also called the stone copper phase.  
(c) During the rig-Vedic period the king (rajan) exercises unlimited power and he was independent in his decisions.  
(d) The institution of gotra appeared during the later vedic period.
- Q.9** Consider the following statements:
1. Indo-Iranian contacts influenced and gave a new impetus to the architectural designs in India.
  2. The campaign of Alexander opened up the trade contacts with Greek but the routes were restricted up to land only.
- Which of the above statements are correct?
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) None of the above  
(d) All of the above
- Q.10** Consider the following statements and identify the incorrect one?
- (a) Oil Zappers are microbes that feed on hydrocarbon compounds present in crude OIL and the hazardous hydrocarbon waste generated by OIL refineries, and converts them into harmless CO<sub>2</sub> and water.
- (b) Pharmacogenomics is a technology which helps in analyzing how genetic makeup affects an individual's response to drugs.  
(c) Biofortification is the process by which the nutritional quality of food crops is improved through agronomic practices.  
(d) All are correct
- Q.11** Which below given statements is/are true in regard to International Court of Justice -ICJ and International Criminal Court - ICC?
1. ICJ is a civil court, where as ICC is a criminal court.
  2. Headquarters of ICJ is in Hague and ICC is in New York
  3. ICJ is Official court of U.N, commonly known as "World Court"; whereas ICC is independent, not governed by U.N
- Choose appropriate code:
- (a) 2 and 3 only      (b) 1 only  
(c) 1 and 3 only      (d) 1, 2 and 3
- Q.12** Recently an Indian glacier research facility was established in the Himalayas. Consider the following statements
1. It was established by the National Centre for Antarctic and Ocean Research (NCAOR)
  2. It will serve as the base for Terrestrial Laser Scanners and Unmanned Aerial Vehicles to digitise glacier movements and snow cover variations
- Which of the following statements is/are correct?
- (a) Only 1      (b) Only 2  
(c) Both 1 and 2      (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- Q.13** Consider the following statements about Janani Surksha Yojana (JSY)
1. It is a safe motherhood intervention under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM)
  2. The scheme is for all states having institutional delivery of 25% or less
  3. It was launched by modifying the National Maternity Benefit Scheme (NMBS)

Select the correct statements

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

**Q.14** India and Sri Lanka recently agreed to set up a Joint Working Group on the 'fishermen issue'. What are the issues faced by the fishermen of India, including those caused due to their Sri Lankan counterparts?

1. Deep sea fishing, causing permanent damage to the marine environment.
2. Arrest of fishermen who stray into Sri Lankan waters.
3. Employing bottom-trawling techniques which result in 'heavy-duty' fishing patterns.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

**Q.15** In the field of education in India, 'Project Shine' - recently seen in the news-refers to

- (a) A coaching programme for preparing tribal children for entrance examinations to prestigious schools.
- (b) A free coaching initiative run by Sainik school alumni across India for children living in slums preparing them for undergraduate entrance examinations.
- (c) A boarding school, modelled on India's private schools, in the state of Uttar Pradesh offering education for pupils drawn from the rural poor.
- (d) An initiative to help determine the 'natural' talent of children belonging to the urban poor and facilitating their training based on periodic reviews and testing.

**Q.16** India and Russia are collaborating to set up integrated Agro-irradiation centers in India. In what ways is food irradiation beneficial?

1. Preservation by destruction or rendering inactive the organisms that cause spoilage and decomposition.
2. Prevention of food-borne illness.

3. Delay of sprouting and ripening of fruits and vegetables.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

**Q.17** Food fortification is

- (a) A process to increase the shelf life of food significantly
- (b) A process of adding micronutrients to food
- (c) A new method of cold storage
- (d) None of the above

**Q.18** Lapis Lazuli corridor, recently seen in news, aims to improve trade and cooperation among which of the following countries?

1. Afghanistan                      2. Turkey
3. India                                      4. China

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**Q.19** Recently the government constituted a committee headed by NK Singh. The committee performed which of the following functions?

- (a) Review the border protection scenario in the country.
- (b) Review the FRBM Act and its functioning.
- (c) Promote Digital Economy in the country.
- (d) Tax reforms

**Q.20** According to the Economic Survey 2017, the primary source of own revenue for urban local bodies is the:

- (a) Wealth Tax
- (b) Property Tax
- (c) Income Tax
- (d) Entertainment Tax

**Q.21** The Government has launched several new initiatives to rejuvenate urban areas. Consider the following statements regarding these initiatives:

1. Smart Cities Mission (SCM) is a holistic city rejuvenation programme for 100 cities in India.

2. AMRUT was launched to improve basic urban infrastructure in 500 cities/towns which would be known as Mission cities/ towns.
3. HRIDAY scheme was launched with a focus on holistic development of immunisation and vaccination in the major Indian cities.

Which of the above statements is true?

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

**Q.22** The primary responsibility for the development of urban areas lies with the state governments and the urban local bodies (ULBs) which face major and inextricably linked problems. Consider the following problem faced by ULBs:

1. ULBs face a governance challenge.
2. ULBs are mostly infrastructure deficit.
3. ULBs receive timely and adequate finances.

Which of the above statements is correct?

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

**Q.23** Consider the following schemes:

1. Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme
2. National Maternity Benefit Scheme
3. Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme
4. National Family Benefit Scheme
5. Annapurna Scheme.

Which among the above social sector schemes are currently part of the National Social Assistance Programme?

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

**Q.24** Consider following statements related to "Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme":

1. Ministry of Rural Development is the nodal agency
2. Under this scheme, Centre gives loan assistance to the States to help them complete some of the incomplete major/medium irrigation projects which are at an advanced stage of completion.

Select the correct statement/statements using the codes given below:

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

**Q.25** Consider the following statements:

1. When the sunlight passes through the atmosphere, the fine particles in air scatter the blue color in shorter wavelengths, the scattered light enter our eyes thus making sky look blue to us.
2. Danger signal lights are red in colour as red is least scattered by fog or smoke.
3. Scattering is a process, where molecules of a medium, after absorbing incoming radiations emit them in all possible directions.

Which of the above are correct?

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

**Q.26** Human eyes are able to see colors because:

- (a) Presence of lens which absorbs colors.  
(b) Rods and cones cells.  
(c) Retina helps in visibility of colors  
(d) Viscous fluids are responsible for color.

**Q.27** Consider the following statements:

1. The 'Yudh Abhyas' is a joint military drill between India and Bhutan.
2. PRABAL DOSTYK-16 is a joint military exercise between India and Kazakhstan

Which of the above are correct?

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

**Q.28** Consider the following about the National Water Resources Council (NWRC).

1. The council is chaired by the Prime Minister with Chief Minister of states as its members.
2. The council has the authority to approve National Water Policy (NWP) which is later considered by Cabinet.

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) None

**Q.29** Consider the following about Global Learning and Observation to Benefit the Environment (GLOBE).

1. It aims at placing internationally managed satellite systems to contribute to a better environmental understanding of earth.
2. Indian Scientific and Research Organization (ISRO) is an implementing agency for Globe in India.

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) None

**Q.30** The Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Limited (SPMCIL), which manages Government of India Mints and Currency Presses among others comes under the jurisdiction and administrative control of the

- (a) Department of Commerce  
(b) Monetary Policy Committee (MPC)  
(c) Monetary Division, Reserve Bank of India  
(d) Directorate of Currency under the Ministry of Finance

**Q.31** The Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 (RBI Act) was recently amended by the Finance Act, 2016, to provide for a

1. Statutory and institutionalized framework for a Monetary Policy Committee (MPC)
2. Hand over debt management functions of RBI to an external agency within the government

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) None

**Q.32** Consider the following about the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016.

1. The Act makes it mandatory for certain categories of commercial and residential real estate projects to compulsorily register with the Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA).

2. The Act provides for a consumer complaints forum which is distinct from the Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission established under the Consumer Protection Act.

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) None

**Q.33** Consider the following about the Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB).

1. It is a statutory multi-disciplinary body to combat organized wildlife crime in the country.
2. It is mandated to collect intelligence and disseminate the same to State governments and other enforcement agencies.

Which of the above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) None

**Q.34** Consider the following statements.

**Assertion (A):** The First Lok Sabha met on the eve of the first republic day.

**Reason (R):** India ceased to be a British dominion post enactment of constitution. In the context of the above, which of these is correct?

- (a) A is correct, and R is an appropriate explanation of A.  
(b) A is correct, but R is not an appropriate explanation of A.  
(c) A is correct, but R is incorrect.  
(d) A is incorrect, but R is correct.

**Q.35** 'Social audit' is increasingly being seen as an important tool to improve accountability in governance. Which of these can be assigned the responsibility for the social audit of a government scheme?

- (a) Comptroller General of India only  
(b) Gram Sabha or Gram Panchayat only  
(c) A community group or professional institution  
(d) Independent Evaluation Office (IEO) only

**Q.36** In the CLMV countries, a group of four countries, which of the following is/are not a part of this group?

1. China
2. Cambodia
3. Myanmar
4. Malaysia
5. Laos

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**Q.37** With reference to 'Moscow Conference', which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It is the conference of five nations that recently held in Moscow.
2. The central theme of the conference was the stability and future of war-ravaged Iraq.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**Q.38** With reference to '#WeAreEqual', a social media campaign, which of the statements is/are correct?

1. The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has initiated this campaign.
2. It is targeted at raising awareness about gender discrimination.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**Q.39** Rakhine is:

- (a) Vital drugs helpful for inhibition of incubation period in Zika virus.
- (b) Joint venture of India and Singapore in Solar power plant.
- (c) A tribal community in eastern Myanmar
- (d) A state in Myanmar

**Q.40** Recently the New Delhi Declaration on Education was adopted by

- (a) Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA)
- (b) SAARC
- (c) BRICS
- (d) None of the above

**Q.41** Consider the following statements about the PAT (Perform, Achieve and Trade) scheme:

1. It was launched under the National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC)
2. Industries which over-achieve get incentives in the form of energy saving certificates, which can be traded with other industries.
3. The scheme imposes non-binding specific energy consumption targets on the covered facilities.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

**Q.42** Consider the following statements:

1. The Nagoya Protocol, a subsidiary agreement to the UN Convention on Biological Diversity, prohibits the collection of plant materials by a foreign country without an agreement with host countries on the sharing of benefits arising from such resources.
2. India's Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 is applicable for the protection of some plant species.

Which of the statements above is/are incorrect?

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

**Q.43** Consider the following:

1. Swamp Deer and Jerdon's Courser
2. Edible-nest swiftlet and Nicobar Megapode
3. Snow Leopard and Malabar Civet
4. Indian Pangolin and Lapwing Bird

Which of the above are included as critically endangered species by Environment, Forest and Climate Change Ministry of India?

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

**Q.44** Global Environment Facility (GEF) is not the funding mechanism or financial activity of which of the following?

- (a) Minamata Convention related to Mercury.
- (b) Rotterdam Convention related to hazardous chemicals

- (c) United Nations Convention for controlling desertification  
 (d) Stockholm Convention on persistent organic pollutants
- Q.45** Consider the following statements regarding the Ranganathittu Bird Sanctuary:
1. It is located in Andhra Pradesh.
  2. It is an island in the Krishna River.
  3. The Marsh Crocodile is a common inhabitant of the riverine reed beds.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) Only 1                      (b) Only 3  
 (c) 1 and 2                    (d) 1, 2 and 3
- Q.46** Baku a famous petroleum extracting city is located in
- (a) Azerbaijan              (b) Turkmenistan  
 (c) Saudi Arabia            (d) Iran
- Q.47** India will get sufficient gas if TAPI pipeline is finished. Which of the following countries is not involved in this project?
- (a) Turkmenistan            (b) Tajikistan  
 (c) Afghanistan            (d) Pakistan
- Q.48** Parsi community, who became successful in business, migrated to India from which of the following country?
- (a) Modern day Iraq  
 (b) Modern day Egypt  
 (c) Modern day Iran  
 (d) Modern day Turkey
- Q.49** Long heads, medium stature, light brown colour, oblique eyes and medium nose' are the features of their Indian race?
- (a) The Mongoloids  
 (b) The Australoids  
 (c) The Negrites  
 (d) The Meditechhneans
- Q.50** Match the following pairs?
- | Tribes     | State              |
|------------|--------------------|
| 1. Xaxa    | - Assam            |
| 2. Orang   | - Tripura          |
| 3. Jaintia | - Lakshadweep      |
| 4. Lushai  | - Himachal Pradesh |
- Which of the above pair is/are correctly matched?
- (a) 1 & 2                      (b) 2 & 3  
 (c) 1 and 4                    (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- Q.51** Which of the following countries are parties to 'South China Sea' dispute?
1. Vietnam
  2. Philippines
  3. Malaysia
  4. Brunei
  5. Japan
- Select the correct answer using the code below
- (a) 1, 2 and 3                (b) 3, 4 and 5  
 (c) 1, 3 and 5                (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- Q.52** Fish are moving away from waters off western coast of India. What are the most appropriate cited reasons?
1. Increasing nitrogen contamination of water.
  2. Reduction of oxygen in water called hypoxia.
  3. Impact of climate change.
- Codes:
- (a) Only 1                      (b) only 1 and 2  
 (c) Only 2 and 3              (d) All 1, 2, and 3
- Q.53** Consider the following statements with respect to equator:
1. There are no seasons at equator but they occur at Tropic of Cancer and Tropic of Capricorn.
  2. Annual temperature difference is very low at equatorial regions.
  3. When the sun faces Tropic of Cancer, duration of day decreases while going south from equator.
  4. When number of sun spots increase then less insolation takes place.
- Which of the above statements are correct?
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only        (b) 1, 2 and 4 only  
 (c) 3 and 4 only            (d) All of the above
- Q.54** With reference to gas hydrates, consider the following statements:
1. Gas Hydrates are ice like crystalline compounds, containing Methane.
  2. They are formed under high temperature and low pressure conditions.
  3. They are found in shallow sediments along Indian continental margins.



Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

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

**Q.55** Consider the following statements:

- Offshore trade winds prevail with practically no rain, in summer.
- Bright, sunny weather with hot dry summers and wet, mild winters.
- Prominence of many local winds near the coastal region.

Which of the following climatic region experience the above mentioned phenomenon?

- (a) Warm temperate western margin climate region  
(b) Cool temperate western margin climate region  
(c) Temperate continental climate region  
(d) Cool temperate eastern margin climate region

**Q.56** Which of the following statements is/are true about SDR?

- It is an international currency which a member country can claim over IMF.
- SDR value is based on five currencies namely US Dollar, Euro, Yuan, Yen & Pound.
- RBI in India maintains SDR currency in its foreign exchange reserves.

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

**Q.57** Consider the following statements related to GDP and GNP:

- GDP and GNP, both measure the market value of all goods and services produced for final sale in an economy.
- If it is an open economy then GNP will always be larger than GDP.
- If it is a closed economy then GDP will always be equal to GNP.
- GNP is better metric of measure for the overall economic condition of a country than GDP.

Which of the above statements is/are true?

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

**Q.58** Which of the following effects came into being when inflation is high in the economy?

- People on a fixed income will be worse off in real term.
- Increase in export.
- Decreases investment.
- Encourage saving.

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

**Q.59** Which among the following pairs is/are correctly matched?

Term	Definition
1. Budget Deficit:	Difference between total receipts and total expenditure of government.
2. Fiscal Deficit:	Budgetary deficit plus market borrowing and other liabilities of the government.
3. Primary Deficit:	Fiscal deficit minus amount of interest paid by the government.

Select the answer using the code given below.

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

**Q.60** With respect to Market Stabilization Scheme Bonds, consider the following statements:

- It gives more power to RBI to suck over liquidity from the market.
- Money raised through MSS bonds, are used for government expenditure.
- MSS bonds bear an interest rate.
- MSS bonds increase Government's fiscal deficit.

Which among the following is/are incorrect?

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

**Q.61** Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding 'depreciation' of a currency in an economy?

1. It is a situation when domestic currency loses its value in front of a foreign currency.
2. It is a situation when exchange rate of currency is cut down by its government against any foreign currency.
3. It can only take place if the economy follows the fixed exchange rate system.
4. Depreciation of currency is also known as Capital Consumption.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**Q.62** Which of the following will add to the foreign exchange reserve of RBI?

1. Remittances
2. Huge Imports
3. Cheap Money Policy
4. High Inflation
5. Expanding Fiscal Policy

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

**Q.63** Which of the following statements is/are true about Gini coefficient ?

- (a) It helps in identifying ratio of people living below poverty line.
- (b) Gini coefficient is higher in rich countries than in poor countries.
- (c) Higher gini coefficient indicates the failure of re-distributive policies of the state.
- (d) All of the above.

**Q.64** Which of the following statements is/are true about SEBI?

1. SEBI is a non-statutory body.
2. It protects the interests of mainly small investors and restore their confidence in the capital market.
3. SEBI introduced rolling cycle of T+2 system where settlement is done in two days after the trade date.

- (a) Only 1                      (b) Only 2  
 (c) 2 and 3                      (d) All

**Q.65** Which of the following statements is/are true about footloose industries?

1. These industries can be located only near the sea ports.
2. Transport facilities do not affect its productivity and location.
3. Diamond and computer chips are examples of this category.

- (a) Only 3                      (b) 2 and 3  
 (c) 1 and 3                      (d) All

**Q.66** Which of the following statement is correct regarding Phillips curve?

- (a) It represents relationship between tax rates and tax revenue collected by government.
- (b) It represents inverse relationship between rate of inflation and rate of unemployment.
- (c) It represents direct relationship between rate of inflation and rate of employment.
- (d) None of the above

**Q.67** Which of the following statements about New Energy Policy is/are correct?

1. It builds on the previous Integrated Energy Policy
2. It aligns the domestic coal prices with the international prices
3. It includes issues related to sharp decline of crude oil prices and change in solar energy technology

Select the correct code:

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

**Q.68** Consider the following statements about E-Kuber

1. It is the Core Banking Solution of Reserve Bank of India
2. It enables banks to offer a multitude of customer-centric services on a 24×7 basis from a single location
3. The e-kuber system can be accessed either through INFINET or Internet

Select the correct statements

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

**Q.69** Consider the following statement about Indicative planning.

1. It is characterized by imperative planning
2. Public sector is given a substantial role.
3. It was adopted in India since 8th five year plan.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**Q.70** Consider the following statements about Discount and Finance House of India.

1. It was set up by Ministry of finance to deal with money market instruments.
2. One of the objectives of DFHI is to promote secondary market in short term money market instruments.
3. It deals with rediscounting of short term commercial bill.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 and 3  
(c) 1 and 3  
(d) none of the above.

**Q.71** Consider the following statements about Non-Banking Financial Institutions.

1. NBFCs were set up under company's act 1956.
2. NBFC can-not accept demand deposits.
3. It does not include any institution whose main business is sale and purchase of immovable property.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**Q.72** 'Exclusion of genuine beneficiaries' is one of the major consequences of misallocation in welfare schemes in India. In this regard which of the following statement is correct?

- (a) Misallocation has repercussions for targeting of resources to the poor.

(b) A natural consequence of misallocation is what has been described in the literature as "exclusion error"- genuine poor find themselves unable to access programme benefits.

(c) If a state or a district with more poor is allocated very little resources, then it is almost certain that some deserving households would be excluded.

(d) All of the above

**Q.73** In last two financial year, the persistent rise in food inflation in India rises due to:

(a) The prices of pulses, in particular tur and urad, remained persistently high from mid 2015 to mid 2016 due to shortfall in domestic and global supply.

(b) The prices of Sugar firmed up on account of lower production and hardening of price in the international market.

(c) The prices of vegetables, which flared during the lean summer season, have also declined sharply as supply picked up during the post monsoon and winter season.

(d) All of the above

**Q.74** Which of the following statements are correct?

1. Plutonic rocks Igneous in nature which cooled slowly and they forms intrusive rocks.

2. Carbonaceous rocks organically formed rocks from animal and plant remains and they forms coal and petroleum.

3. Volcanic rocks are extrusive rocks, crystals are very small in size and cools rapidly.

4. When the Earth crust bends and breaks faulting occurs and this faulting causes a section to subside or to rise above the surrounding level.

(a) 2,4                              (b) 1,3

(c) 1,3,4                          (d) 2,3,4

**Q.75** Which of following statement are Correct?

1. Due to rotation of Earth Winds are deflected in both the hemisphere. In

northern hemisphere wind are deflected to their right while in southern they deflects towards their left.

2. Orographic rainfall occurs when moist air is forced to ascend the mountain.
3. Frontal rain are due to convergence of two different air masses with different temperatures.
4. Winds in anticyclone blows outwards and also shows deflection, they blow clockwise in northern hemisphere and anti clockwise in southern hemisphere.

- (a) Only 2,3                      (b) 1,3  
(c) 1,2,4                        (d) All the above

**Q.76** Which of the following type of silk is known as 'Peace Silk' -

- (a) Tasar Silk                  (b) Muga Silk  
(c) Mulberry Silk              (d) Eri Silk

**Q.77** Consider the following statements:

1. The 'Kurinji' flowers which blooms once in 12 years is found here.
2. The 'Toda' tribe resides here.
3. It is a notified Biosphere Reserve.

The above statements refer to which of the following sites-

- (a) Nanda Devi National Park  
(b) Nilgiris  
(c) Namdapha  
(d) Agasthyamalai

**Q.78** One Intermediate objective of Demonetization is to create a less cash or cash less.

Consider the following steps taken by governments in this regard.

1. BHIM App is launched to make simple and quick payments
2. Aadhar Merchant pay aimed at people who do not have a bank account.

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

**Q.79** Which of the following region of world is most productive in term of fishery production?

- (a) East coast of India  
(b) North-East coast of USA  
(c) Mediterranean Region  
(d) None of the above.

**Q.80** Consider the following

1. NO<sub>2</sub>
2. Ozone
3. Carbon mono ox
4. Carbon dioxide

Which of the following is/are NOT resultant of photo chemical smog?

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

**Q.81** Recently, UNESCO inscribes YOGA in its representative list of Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity. Consider the following statements:

1. UNESCO's list of Intangible Cultural Heritage was established in 2008.
2. Yoga has become the 13th intangible cultural heritage that has been listed from India so far with UNESCO.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

**Q.82** Regarding "Northwest Africa 7635", sometimes seen in the news, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It is a meteorite discovered in Algeria, Africa in 2012.
2. It has given insight into volcanic activity on Mars.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**Q.83** The Government has decided to frame policy on 'synthetic biology'. Consider the following statements about 'synthetic biology':

1. It is an emerging science through which new life forms can potentially be made in labs.
2. It could help produce drugs, vaccines, fuel components and other chemicals.

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

**Q.84** Recently, the Ministry of Science Technology and Earth Science has come up with a comprehensive Braille Atlas. Consider the following statements:

1. The atlas has been developed in both Hindi and English languages.
2. The atlas has been made by using indigenously developed silk-screen painting technology.

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

**Q.85** Which of the following state becomes first North-East state to implement 'e-Cabinet'?

- (a) Sikkim  
(b) Assam  
(c) Arunachal Pradesh  
(d) Manipur

**Q.86** 'Cold Start Doctrine', often seen in the news, is

- (a) A military doctrine developed by the Indian Armed Forces  
(b) A foreign policy doctrine of the President George W. Bush in Afghanistan war  
(c) A new military doctrine of the Russian Armed Force  
(d) A NATO's military concept for defence against terrorism

**Q.87** The Karnataka High Court recently upheld the concept of 'Right to be forgotten'. Consider the following statements:

1. The 'right to be forgotten' has been in practice in Argentina and the European Union since 2004.
2. It constitutes information that is not publicly known.
3. It allows for the lawful removal of personal information of an individual if such request is made.

Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?

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

**Q.88** 'Intellectual Property Index' is prepared by the

- (a) European Central Bank  
(b) US Chamber of Commerce  
(c) Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development  
(d) World Bank

**Q.89** Forest and Environment Department of the Odisha Government recently carried a census of Irrawaddy Dolphin. Consider the following statements:

1. Irrawaddy Dolphin is a river dolphin.
2. IUNC has classified it as critically endangered in Red Data list.
3. In Odisha they are found at Chilka Lake, Bhitarkanika National Park and Bhadrak Wildlife Sanctuary.

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

**Q.90** With reference to 'Nuclear Icebreaker', consider the following statements:

1. The only country constructing nuclear-powered icebreakers is Russia.
2. It is a nuclear-powered drilling machine to use in mountain covered with ice.

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

**Q.91** Consider the following statements with reference to the Mauryan empire?

1. The economic activities in the empire were mainly under the control of state.
2. The name of the Asoka appeared in all his inscriptions and were written in pali.
3. Ashoka's diplomatic policy was more of ideologically driven.

Which of the above are correct?

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

**Q.92** Consider the following statements with reference to the early kingdoms in South:

1. The southern end of the peninsula situated south of the river Krishna was divided into three kingdoms- Chola, Pandya and chera.
2. The Pandyas are first mentioned by Megasthenes.
3. Snagam texts mention the political history of cholas.
4. Chera's were having robust trade relations with the Romans.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- (a) 1, 2 and 4                      (b) 1 and 3  
 (c) 2, 3 and 4                      (d) All of the above

**Q.93** Consider the following statements with regard to the Snagam literature.

1. The narrative texts of the sangam are considered works of heroic poetry.
2. The narrative texts also give idea of the state formation, warrior class along with taxation and judicial system.
3. The text of Tolkkappiyam deals with grammar and poetics.
4. The text of Tirukkural deals with philosophy and maxims.

Which of the above are true about the content of Sangam Literature.

- (a) 1, 3 and 5                      (b) 2, 3, 4 and 5  
 (c) 1 and 2 only                      (d) All of the above

**Q.94** Consider the following statements about All India Trade Union Congress (AITUC).

1. In 1926, AITUC was divided into two groups that is the 'reforming' who wanted to join Russian block of Red Labor union and 'the revolutionary' who wanted to join International Federation of Trade Union situated at Amsterdam.
2. All India Trade Union federation was formed out of AITUC in a protest against AITUC's affiliation to the third international Congress.

Which of the above statement is/are correct?

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

**Q.95** The Faraizi Movement in India was started by:

- (a) Syed Ahmed Barelvi  
 (b) Mirza Ghulam Ahmed  
 (c) Haji Shariat-Allah  
 (d) Mir Nithar Ali

**Q.96** Which of the following is incorrectly matched?

- (a) Article 15 -Prohibition of Discrimination  
 (b) Article 19-Right to Association  
 (c) Article 20-Right to Protection of Life  
 (d) Article 32-Right to Constitutional Remedies

**Q.97** With reference to loss of citizenship under the Citizenship Act, 1955, consider the following statements:

1. If the citizen has, within five years after registration or naturalization, been imprisoned for one year.
2. If the citizen has been ordinarily resident out of India for five years.
3. If a person renounces his Indian citizenship, their minor children also loses their citizenship.

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

**Q.98** Which of the following are the Fundamental Duties under the Article 51A?

1. To protect and improve the natural environment including forests, lakes, rivers and wildlife.
2. Duty to pay taxes.
3. To value and preserve the rich heritage of the country's composite culture.
4. To vote in public elections.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

**Q.99** The procedure for the amendment of the Constitution as laid down in Article 368. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The bill can be introduced only by a minister and does require prior permission of the President.
2. If the bill seeks to amend the federal provision of the Constitution, it must also be ratified by the legislature of every state by a simple majority.
3. The President can withhold his assent to the bill or return the bill for reconsideration of the Parliament.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 and 3 only              (b) 2 only  
(c) 1, 2 and 3                (d) None

**Q.100** As per the Indian Constitution, which of the following provisions can be amended by Simple Majority of Parliament?

1. Elections to Parliament and state legislature.
2. Abolition or creation legislative council in states.
3. Representation of states in Parliament.
4. Rules of procedure in Parliament.
5. Conferment of more jurisdictions on the Supreme Court.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

