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- **1.** Doctrine of Bhakti forms an integral part of
 - (a) Mahayana Buddhism
 - (b) Hinayana Buddhism
 - (c) Neither (a) Nor (b)
 - (d) Both (a) and (b)
- **2.** Sher Shah built his own mausoleum at
 - (a) Lahore
 - (b) Purana Gila Delhi
 - (c) Sasaram in Bihar
 - (d) Sikkandra at Agra
- **3.** Which one of the following defines extremist ideology during the early phase of Indian freedom movement?
 - (a) Stimulating the production of indigenous articles by giving them preference over imported commodities
 - (b) Obtaining self-government by aggressive means in place of petitions and prayer.
 - (c) Providing national education according to therequirements of the country
 - (d) Organising coups against the

British empirethrough military revolt

- **4.** Who is known as King of Kings or Maharajadiraja?
 - (a) Chandra gupta I
 - (b) Harsha
 - (c) Samudra gupta
 - (d) Kanishka
- **5.** Which of the following is/are true?
 - 1. Pakistan resolution passed by Muslim League at the Lahore session on 23.03.1940 was drafted by Sikandar Hayat Khan, moved by Fazlul Haq and seconded by Khaliquzzaman.
 - **2.** Fazlul Haq founded the Krishak Praja Party in Bengal.
 - (a) Only 1
 - (b) Only 2
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2





- **6.** Who introduced the Aksayanivi type of land tenure first?
 - (a) Guptas
 - (b) Sakas
 - (c) Kushanas
 - (d) Sungas
- **7.** Lee Commission was appointed by
 - (a) Lord Curzon
 - (b) Lord Ripon
 - (c) Lord Reading
 - (d) Lord Irwin
- **8.** The earliest evidence of silver in India is found in the
 - (a) Harappan culture
 - (b) Chalcolithic cultures of Western India
 - (c) Vedic texts
 - (d) silver punch-marked coins
- **9.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Kitab-I-Nauras, a collection of songs in praise of Hindu deities and Muslim saints, was written by Ibrahim Adil Shah II
 - 2. Amir Khusrau was the

originator in India of the early form of the musical style known as Qawali. Which of these statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **10.** Who was the first exponent of Two-nation theory in the modern era in India?
 - (a) S.A.Aziz
 - (b) S.A.Khan
 - (c) Rahmat Ali
 - (d) M.A.Jinnah
- **11.** Which of the following statements is/are true?
 - I) Forward Bloc was formed in the year 1939 by Subash Chandra Bose.
 - II) He gave the famous cry: Dilli Chalo from Singapore and gave the slogan Jai Hind
 - (a) Only I
 - (b) Only II





- (c) Both I & II
- (d) Neither I nor II
- **12.** A script in which Ashokan inscriptions of Shahbazagari and Manashera are written is
 - (a) Devanagiri
 - (b) Bousterprodam
 - (c) Kharoshthi
 - (d) None of these
- **13.** Brihat Samhita was authored by
 - (a) Nagarjuna
 - (b) Subhandhu
 - (c) Vishnusarma
 - (d) Varahamihra
- **14.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1.Muhd. Bin Tughlaq shifted his capital from Delhi to Devangiri (Daulatabad) in 1327.
 - 2.Muhd. Bin Tughlaq introduced token coins made of brass and copper, which had the same value as Silver coin. Which of these statements is/are correct?
 - (a) 1 and 2

- (b) Only 1
- (c) Only 2
- (d) Neither 1 Nor 2
- **15.** Which Rashtrakuta ruler defeated Parantaka-I of Cholas in the Battle of Takkolam?
 - (a) Amoghavarsha I
 - (b) Dantidurga
 - (c) Dhruva
 - (d) Krishna III
- **16.** Convertibility of the rupee implies
 - (a) being able to convert rupee notes into gold
 - (b) allowing the value of the rupee to be fixed by market force
 - (c) freely permitting the conversion of rupee to other currencies and vice versa
 - (d) developing an international market for currencies in India
- 17. Sverdrup is related with(a) measurement of salinity of
 - ocean
 - (b) measurement of density of





sea ice

- (c) measurement of ocean currents
- (d) None of these
- **18.** Which of the following is described as "Ruhr Of india"?
 - (a) Deccan plateau
 - (b) Chotanagpur palteau
 - (c) Karnataka plateau
 - (d) Meghalay plateau
- **19.** Convectional rainfall is a feature of
 - (a) Tundra region
 - (b) Equatorial region
 - (c) Tropical region
 - (d) Temperate region
- **20.** Which one of the following pairs is correctly matched?
 - (a) Teak: Jammu and Kashmir
 - (b) Deodar: Madhya Pradesh
 - (c) Sandalwood: Kerala
 - (d) Sundari: West Bengal

- **21.** Which of the following region is not covered under Sixth Schedule?
 - (a) Meghalaya
 - (b) Tripura
 - (c) Mizoram
 - (d) Nagaland
- **22.** Which of the following is oldest?
 - (a) Assam Rifles
 - (b) Border security force
 - (c) Central Reserve Police Force
 - (d) Indo Tibetan Police Force
- **23.** Scope of Article 356 was examined in the case-
 - (a) Minerva Mills Ltd. Vs. Union of India
 - (b) S.R. Bommai vs. Union of India
 - (c) Sankari Prasad Vs. Union of India
 - (d) Bhaskernath Vs. Indira Gandhi
- **24.** Which of the following act introduced for the first time, local representation in the Indian Legislative Council?





- (a) Regulating Act of 1773
- (b) Pitt's India Act of 1784
- (c) The Charter Act of 1853
- (d) The Charter Act of 1831
- **25.** Who administers the oath to Protem Speaker?
 - (a) Vice President
 - (b) President
 - (c) Chief Justice of India
 - (d) Seniormost Judge of the Supreme Court
- 26. During operation of proclamation of emergency under Article 352 of the Constitution of India, the enforcement of Fundamental Rights can be suspended except Fundamental Rights guaranteed under Articles-
 - (a) 14 & 19
 - (b) 15 & 24
 - (c) 20 & 21
 - (d) None of the above
- **27.** Nehru appointed the First Official Language Commission under the chairmanship of B. G. Kher on 7 June 1955 As

- provided for by
- (a) 343
- (b) 345
- (c) 344
- (d) 356
- **28.** Identify the correct statement/(s).
 - 1. The original Constitution of India (1950) provisioned for a Supreme Court with a Chief Justice and 10 lower-ranking Judges.
 - 2. Presently the SC consists of a Chief Justice and Twenty-five other judges.
 - (a) Only 1
 - (c) Both (1) and (2)
 - (b) Only 2
 - (d) Neither (1) nor (2)
- **29.** The ad-hoc Chief Justice of a High Court is appointed by
 - (a) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court
 - (b) The President of India
 - (c) The Governor of the State





concerned

- (d) The Cabinet at the Centre
- **30.** How was Hyderabad ceded to India?
 - (a) By UN intervention
 - (b) By Plebiscite
 - (c) By Military
 - (d) By signing the Instrument of Accession
- **31.** The original constitution provided that the vice president would be elected by the two houses of parliament assembled at a joint sitting. This provision was deleted by the
 - (a) 11th amendment act 1961.
 - (b) 17th amendment act 1961.
 - (c) 13th amendment act 1961.
 - (d) 15th amendment act 1961.
- **32.** Identify the correct statement/(s)
 - 1.Andhra State came into being on October 1, 1953, with Kurnool as its capital.
 - 2.On November 1, 1956, the Telangana region with Telugu-speaking people,

which was under the control of the princely state of Hyderabad, was brought into the State of

Andhra, and renamed Andhra Pradesh.

- (a) Only 2
- (b) 1 & 2
- (c) Only 1
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 33. In which of the following cases did the Supreme Court held that secularism was an integral part of the basic structure of the constitution?
 - (a) Golaknath Case
 - (b) Cooper Case
 - (c) S.R Bommai Case
 - (d) Indra Sawhnwy Case
- **34.** Identify the incorrect statement/(s).
 - 1.A financial bill can be introduced in the LS, but the RS may pass it, or return it, or even reject it, as it likes.
 - 2.A joint sitting of the two houses to pass such a financial bill is possible.





- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both (1) and (2)
- (d) Neither (1) nor (2)
- **35.** Identify the correct statement/(s)
 - 1.The method of selection of judges by a collegium of Supreme Court judges is provided under Article 124 in the Constitution.
 - 2. The Constitution confers the power of appointment of judges on the President of India to be made in consultation with the Chief Justice of India and other judges of the Supreme Court and the High Courts.
 - (a) Only 2
 - (b) 1 & 2
 - (c) Only 1
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **36.** Identify the incorrect statement /(s).
 - **1.** Untouchability Offences Act 1955 was amended and renamed as the Protection Of Civil

- Rights Act 1955 in 1976.
- 2. Doctrine of Severability means that the court shall try to distinguish between the good and bad parts of the impugned law and then declare only the bad parts as invalid. In case the two parts cannot be distinguished, the court shall invalidate the law as a whole.
- **3.** Right To Property was deleted by the 42nd amendment act of 1976.
- (a) All are correct.
- (b) Only 1 and 2
- (c) Only 2 and 3
- (d) Only 3
- **37.** Article 31 [C] with reference to saving of laws giving effect to certain Directive Principles was inserted by
 - (a) 25th Amendment Act 1971
 - (b) 24th Amendment Act 1970
 - (c) 26th Amendment Act 1972
 - (d) 27th Amendment Act 1972.
- **38.** Identify the incorrect





statement.

- (a) 5/6th of the total number of members of a legislative council is indirectly elected and the governor nominates 1/6th.
- (b) Article 213 says there shall be a High Court for each State.
- (c) 15th amendment raised the retirement age of Chief Justice of the High Court from 60-62 years.
- (d)The appellate jurisdiction of a High Court is wider than its original jurisdiction.
- **39.** Indian Constitution prescribes certain conditions under which a citizen becomes disqualified to be a voter. What are they?
 - (a) A citizen having an unsound mind.
 - (b) A citizen having been punished for election related offences.
 - (c) Neither (a) Nor (b)
 - (d) Both (a) and (b)
- **40.** Federalsim is based upon the pattern of
 (a) Australia

- (b) USA
- (c) Canada
- (d) South Africa
- **41.** Which of the following statements are true?

1.In Britain, Rule by Law prevails.

2.In Britain, the ministers are required to countersign the official acts of the Head of the State.

3.In Britain a person who is not a Member of Parliament can also be appointed as Prime Minister, but for a maximum period of six months.

- (a) 1 and 2
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3
- (d) All are correct
- **42.** Which of the following statements are true?

1.The Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices recommends MSPs for 22 mandated crops and fair and remunerative price for sugarcane.

2.Commission for





Agricultural Costs & Prices is an attached office of the Ministry of finance.

- 3.MSP has a statutory backing.
- (a) 1 and 2
- (b) 1 only
- (c) 2 and 3
- (d) All are correct
- **43.** Which of the following statements are true regarding 'Dragon Fruit'
 - 1. The dragon fruit plant is a member of the cacti family.
 - 2.Flowers of dragon fruit plant are hermaphrodites.
 - 3.It prefers slightly acidic soil.
 - (a) 1 and 2
 - (b) 1 and 3
 - (c) 2 and 3
 - (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **44.** Who among the following opposed the C.R. Formula? (a) C.R.Das
 - (b) Virsavarkar

- (c) Netaji Subhash Chandra BOSE
- (d) Pattabi Sitaramaya
- **45.** Who among the following cooperated with Simon Comission?
 - (a) Sir Muhammad Shafi
 - (b) Jinnah
 - (c) Both (a) and (b)
 - (d) Neither (a) nor (b)
- **46.** Singalila national park located in
 - (a) Arunachal pradesh
 - (b) Assam
 - (c) West Bengal
 - (d) Odisha
- **47.** Which of the following statements are true regarding red panda:
 - 1. it's native to the temperate forest of himalayas
 - 2. it's a nocturnal animal
 - 3. it's a state animal of sikkim
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 and 3 only





- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **48.** Under the Kisan Credit Card scheme, short-term credit support is given to farmers for which of the following purposes?
 - 1. Working capital for maintenance of farm assets
 - 2.Purchase of combine harvesters, tractors and mini trucks
 - 3.Consumption requirements of farm households
 - 4.Post-harvest expenses
 - 5.Construction of family house and setting up of village cold storage facility

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1, 2 and 5 only
- (b)1, 3 and 4 only
- (c)2, 3, 4 and 5 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
- **49.** Khalsa path was founded by (a) Gur Arjun Dev
 - (b) Guru Teg Bahadur

- (c) Guru Govind Singh
- (d) Ranjit Singh
- **50.** The first session of Indian National Congress was attended by 72 delegates and presided over by
 - (a) W.C.Banerjee
 - (b) A.O.Hume
 - (c) George Yule
 - (d) A.M.Bose
- **51.** White goods' industry include (a) stainless steel and aluminum utensils
 - (b) milk and milk products
 - (c) items purchased for conspicuous consumption
 - (d) soaps, detergents and other mass consumption goods
- **52.** Which among the following index is available on Quarterly Basis?
 - (a)WPI
 - (b)CPI-IW
 - (c) GDP Deflator
 - (d) CPI-AL/RL





- **53.** Which of the following statements is/ are true? In a cyclone, winds circulate blowing inwards in
 - 1. an anticlockwise direction in the Northern hemisphere
 - 2. a clockwise direction in the Southern hemisphere.
 - (a) Only 1
 - (b) Only 2
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 Nor 2
- **54.** Which of the following has the narrowest continental shelf in the world?
 - (a) East coast of Pacific ocean
 - (b) East coast of Atlantic ocean
 - (c) East coast of Indian ocean
 - (d) East coast of Arctic ocean
- **55.** Longitudinal S-shaped course of rivers is known as
 - (a) Meander
 - (b) Ox-bow lake
 - (c) Bird foot
 - (d) Estuarine

- **56.** Consider the following statements regarding Khejri trees
 - 1.It is the State tree of Rajasthan.
 - 2.It helps in sustaining the soil's nutrient value
 - 3.It has known for its ability to survive in Cold weather.

Which of the above statements are true?

- (a) 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3
- (c) 1 and 2
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **57.** The idea of creation of Zonal Councils was put forwarded by
 - (a) Mahalanobis
 - (b) Sardar vallabai patel
 - (c) Jawaharlal nehru
 - (d) Lal bagadur sastri
- **58.** 'Miliusa' recently seen in news is
 - (a) New species of evergreen tree
 - (b) Recently submerged Island
 - (c) Endemic species to western ghats





- (d) Ancient port city of India.
- **59.** Consider the following pairs:

Places

Country

1.Kalingrand

Russia

2.Burgos

Portugal

3.Kanaganahalli

Srilanka

How many pairs given above are correctly matched

- (a) only one pair
- (b) only two pair
- (c) only three pair
- (d) none of the above pair
- 60. With reference to Balance of Payments, which of the following constitutes/constitute the Current Account? (2014)
 - 1.Balance of trade
 - 2. Foreign assets
 - 3.Balance of invisibles
 - 4.Special Drawing Rights
 Select the correct answer using the code given below:
 - (a) 1 only

- (b) 2 and 3
- (c) 1 and 3
- (d) 1, 2 and 4
- **61.** Which of the following statements are true?
 - 1. Rule by law is the basic structure of Indian Constitution.
 - 2. Rule by law is an important attribute of Indian Parliamentry Democracy.
 - (a) 1 Only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **62.** Which of the following statements are true?
 - 1. Chief Election Commissioner is appointed by president.
 - 2. Chief Election Commissioner is Supreme authority controlling other Election Commissioners.
 - 3. Election Commissioner of India is made constitutional body through 1st amendment act of 1951.
 - (a) 1 only





- (b) 1 and 3
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 2 and 3
- **63.** Which of the following statements are true regarding The National emblem
 - 1.original structure, The lion references clan of Shakyas.
 - 2.The national emblem, adopted by the Republic of India on 15th August 1947
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 2 only
 - (c) Both 1 and 2
 - (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **64.** Articles Power of Supreme Court
 - 1. 142 Plenary power to give complete justice
 - 2. 134 Appellate jurisdiction in criminal matters
 - 3. 136 Special leave petition
 - (a) 1 only
 - (b) 1 and 2 only

- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **65.** The Indian parliamentary system is different from British parliamentary system in that India has:
 - (a) Both real and nominal executive
 - (b) System of collective responsibility
 - (c) Bicameral legislation
 - (d) The system of judicial review
- **66.** The Constitution of India recognises:
 - (a) only religious minorities
 - (b) only linguistic minorities
 - (c) religious and linguistic minorities
 - (d) religious, linguistic and ethnic minorities
- **67.** Consider the following statements: An amendment to the Constitution of India can be initiated by the:
 - 1. Lok Sabha
 - 2. Rajya Sabha
 - 3. State Legislature





4. President

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only 1
- (b) 1, 2 and 3
- (c) 2, 3 and 4
- (d) 1 and 2
- **68.** Consider the following statements about the recent amendments to the elections law by the Representation of the People (Amendment) Act 1996:
 - 1. Any conviction for the offence of insulting the Indian National flag the Constitution of Indian shall entail disqualification for elections contesting to Parliament and State Legislatures for six year from the date of conviction
 - 2. There is an increase in the security deposit which a candidate has to make to contest the election to the Lok Sabha
 - 3. A candidate cannot now stand for election from more

than one Parliament Constituency

4. No election will now be countermanded on the death of a contesting candidate

Which of the above statements are correct?

- (a) 2 and 3
- (b) 1, 2 and 4
- (c) 1 and 3
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 69. In the new Panchayati Raj Bill enacted in 1993, there are several fresh provisions deviating from the past. Which one of the following is not one such provisions?
 - (a) A number of added responsibilities in the area of agriculture, rural development, primary education and social forestry among other
 - (b) Elections being made mandatory for all posts at the time they are due
 - (c) A statutory representation for women in the panchayats, upto a third of the strength
 - (d) Regular remuneration to the





panchayat

- **70.** Which one of the following legislations does not deal with the protection of environment?

 (a) The Water (Cess) Act, 1977
 - (b) The Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980
 - (c) The Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991
 - (d) The Port Laws Amendment Act, 1997
- **71.** The first writer to use Urdu as the medium of poetic expression was:
 - (a) Amir Khusrau
 - (b) Mirza Ghalib
 - (c) Bahadur Shah Zafar
 - (d) Faiz
- 72. One consistent feature found in the history of southern India was the growth of small regional kingdoms rather than large empires because of:
 - (a) absence of minerals like iron
 - (b) too many divisions in the social structure
 - (c) absence of vast areas of fertile

land

- (d) scarcity of manpower
- **73.** 'The king was freed from his people and they from their king'. On whose death did Badauni comment thus?
 - (a) Balban
 - (b) Ala-ud-din Khalji
 - (c) Muhammad-bin-Tughlaq
 - (d) Firoz Shah Tughlaq
- 74. Consider the following statements: The striking feature of the Jama Masjid in Kashmir completed by Zainul-Abdin include(s):
 - 1. turret
 - **2.** similarity with Buddhist pagodas
 - 3. Persian style

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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





75. Which one of the following pairs is not correctly matched?

(a) Jahangir : William Hawkins

(b) Akbar: Sir Thomas Roe

(c) Shahjahan: Travernier

(d) Aurangzeb: Manucci

76. Who among the following streamlined the Maratha administration after Sambhaji?

- (a) Raja Ram
- (b) Balaji Vishwanath
- (c) Ganga Bai
- (d) Nanaji Deshmukh
- 77. Which one of the following Muslim rulers was hailed as the 'Jagadguru' by his Muslim subject because of his belief in secularism?
 - (a) Hussain Shah
 - (b) Zain-ul-Abidin
 - (c) Ibrahim Adil Shah
 - (d) Mahmud II
- **78.** Human Poverty Index was introduced in the Human Development Report of the

year:

- (a) 1994
- (b) 1995
- (c) 1996
- (d) 1997
- **79.** The supply-side economics lays greater emphasis on the point of view of:
 - (a) producer
 - (b) global economy
 - (c) consumer
 - (d) middle-man
- **80.** The Capital Account Convertibility of the Indian Rupee implies:
 - (a) that the Indian Rupee can be exchanged by the authorised dealers for travel
 - (b) that the Indian Rupee can be exchanged for any major currency for the purpose of trade in goods and services
 - (c) that the Indian Rupee can be exchanged for any major currency for the purpose of trading financial assets
 - (d) None of the above





- **81.** Economic Survey in India is published officially, every year by the:
 - (a) Reserve Bank of India
 - (b) Planning Commission of India
 - (c) Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India
 - (d) Ministry of Industries, Govt. of India
- **82.** The banks are required to maintain a certain ratio between their cash in hand and total assets. This is called:

 (a) SBR (Statutory Bank Ratio)
 - (b) SLR (Statutory Liquid Ratio)
 - (c) CBR (Central Liquid Reserve)
 - (d) CLR (Central Liquid Reserve)
- **83.** Which one of the following statements regarding the levying, collecting and distribution of Income Tax is correct?
 - (a) The Union levies, collects and distributes the proceeds of income tax between itself and the states
 - (b) The Union levies, collects and keeps all the proceeds of income

tax to itself

- (c) The Union levies and collects the tax but all the proceeds are distributed among the states
- (d) Only the surcharge levied on income tax is shared between the Union and the states
- **84.** Persons below the poverty line in India are classified as such based whether:
 - (a) they are entitled to a minimum prescribed food basket
 - (b) they get work for a prescribed minimum number of days in a year
 - (c) they belong to agricultural labourer household and the scheduled caste/tribe social group
 - (d) their daily wages fall below the prescribed minimum wages
- **85.** Assertion (A): Fiscal deficit is greater than budgetary deficit.

Reason (R): Fiscal deficit is the borrowing from the Reserve Bank of India plus other liabilities of the Government to





meet its expenditure.

- (a) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (b) Both A and R are true but R is not a correct explanation of A
- (c) A is true but R is false
- (d) A is false but R is true
- **86.** The Employment Assurance Scheme envisages financial assistance to rural areas for guaranteeing employment to at least:
 - (a) 50 percent of the men and women seeking jobs in rural areas
 - (b) 50 percent of the men seeking jobs in rural areas
 - (c) one man and one woman in a rural family living below the poverty line
 - (d) one person in a rural landless household living below the poverty line
- **87.** Which one of the following sequences indicates the correct chronological order?
 - (a) Shankaracharya-Ramanuja-

Chaitanya

- (b) Ramanuja–Shankaracharya– Chaitanya
- (c) Ramanuja–Chaitanya– Shankaracharya
- (d) Shankaracharya–Chaitanya– Ramanuja
- **88.** Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Narasimha Saluva ended the Sangama dynasty and seized the throne for himself and started the Saluva dynasty.
 - **2.** Vira Narasimha deposed the last Saluva ruler and seized the throne for himself.
 - **3.** Vira Narasimha was succeeded by his younger brother, Krishnadeva Raya.
 - **4.** Krishnadeva Raya was succeeded by his half brother, Achyuta Raya.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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





- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- **89.** Who was the last ruler of the Tughlaq dynasty of the Delhi Sultanate?
 - (a) Firoz Shah Tughlaq
 - (b) Ghiyas-ud-din Tughlaq Shah II
 - (c) Nasir-ud-din Mahmud
 - (d) Nasrat Shah
- 90. "If rainforests and tropical forests are the lungs of the Earth, then surely wetlands function as its kidneys." Which one of the following functions of wetlands best reflects the above statement?
 - (a) The water cycle in wetlands involves surface runoff, subsoil percolation and evaporation.
 - (b) Algae form the nutrient base upon which fish, crustaceans, mollusks, birds, reptiles and mammals thrive.
 - (c) Wetlands play a vital role in maintaining sedimentation balance and soil stabilization.
 - (d) Aquatic plants absorb heavy metals and excess nutrients.

- **91.** With reference to the Constitution of India, consider the following:
 - 1. Fundamental Rights
 - 2. Fundamental Duties
 - **3.** Directive Principles of the State

Which of the above provisions of the Constitution of India is/are fulfilled by the National Social Assistance Programme launched by the government of India?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **92.** With reference to Lok Adalats, which of the following statements is correct?
 - (a) Lok Adalats have the jurisdiction to settle matters at pre-litigating stage and not those matters pending before any court
 - (b) Lok Adalats can deal with matters which are civil and not





criminal in nature.

- (c) Every Lok Adalat consists of either serving or retired judicial officers only and not any other person.
- (d) None of the statements given above is correct.
- 93. According to the National Human Rights Commission Act, 1993, who amongst the following can be its Chairman?

 (a) Any serving Judge of the Supreme Court
 - (b) Any serving Judge of the High Court
 - (c) Only a retired Chief Justice of India
 - (d) Only a retired Chief Justice of a High Court
- Which one of the following is the correct sequence in the descending order of precedence in the warrant of precedence?
 (a) Attorney General of India–Judges of the Supreme Court–Members the of Parliament–Deputy Chairman of Rajya

Sabha

- (b) Judges of the Supreme Court-Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha-Attorney General of India-Members of the Parliament
- (c) Attorney General of India– Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha–Judges of the Supreme Court–Members of Parliament
- (d) Judges of the Supreme Court-Attorney General of India-Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha-Members of Parliament
- **95.** The Archaeological Survey of India is an attached office of the Department/Ministry of:
 - (a) Culture
 - (b) Tourism
 - (c) Science and Technology
 - (d) Human Resource Development
- 96. With reference to Indian Parliament, which one of the following is not correct?(a) The Appropriation Bill must be passed by both the Houses of Parliament before it can be





enacted into law

- (b) No money shall be withdrawn from the Consolidated Fund of India except under the appropriation made by the Appropriation Act
- (c) Finance Bill is required for proposing new taxes but no additional Bill/Act is required for making changes in the rates of taxes which are already under operation.
- (d) No Money Bill can be introduced except on the recommendation of the President
- **97.** The resolution for removing the Vice-President of India can be moved in the:
 - (a) Lok Sabha alone
 - (b) Either House of Parliament
 - (c) Joint Sitting of Parliament
 - (d) Rajya Sabha alone
- **98.** Consider the following events:
 - **1.** Fourth general elections in India
 - **2.** Formation of Haryana state

- **3.** Mysore named as Karnataka state
- **4.** Meghalaya and Tripura become full states

Which one of the following is the correct chronological order of the above?

- (a) 2, 1, 4, 3
- (b) 4, 3, 2, 1
- (c) 2, 3, 4, 1
- (d) 4, 1, 2, 3
- Articles of the Constitution of India says that the executive power of every State shall be so exercised as not to impede or prejudice the exercise of the executive power of the Union?
 - (a) Article 257
 - (b) Article 258
 - (c) Article 355
 - (d) Article 358
- **100.** Which of the following are completely banned in Ecologically Sensitive Areas
 - 1. 'Orange & White' category





industries

- 2. The construction of new townships
 - 3. Hydropower projects
- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 1 and 2
- **101.** Who among the following built the Golconda Fort:
 - (a) Kakatiya dynasty
 - (b) Bahmani Sultans
 - (c) Qutub Shahi dynasty
 - (d) Pallava dynasty
- **102.** Consider the following statements
 - 1.Government of India has set up "National Culture Fund" under the Charitable Endowment Act, 1890.
 - 2. National Culture Fund is chaired by the Union Minister of Culture

Which of the above statements are true regarding National Culture Fund?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2

- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **103.** The GOAL (Going Online As Leaders) programme was launched by the
 - (a) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
 - (b) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
 - (c) Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
 - (d) Ministry of Tribal Affairs
- **104.** The national motto of India, 'Satyameva Jayate' inscribed below the Emblem of India is taken from
 - (a) Katha Upanishad
 - (b) Chandogya Upanishad
 - (c) Aitareya Upanishad
 - (d) Mundaka Upanishad
- **105.** Persons below the poverty line in India are classified as such based on whether
 - (a) they are entitled to a minimum prescribed food basket
 - (b) they get work for a prescribed





minimum number of days in a year

- (c) they belong to agriculture labourer household and the scheduled caste/tribe social group
- (d) their dairy wages fall below the prescribed minium wages
- **106.** Which of the following produces RIFT VALLEYS?
 - (a) Transform fault
 - (b) Horst fault
 - (c) Graben fault
 - (d) None of these
- **107.** Full convertibility of Rupee is not available in
 - (a) Trade account
 - (b) Invisible Account
 - (c) Capital Account
 - (d) NRI Remittance
- **108.** Which one of the following committees recommended the abolition of reservation of items for the small scale sector in industry?
 - (a) Abid Hussain Committee

- (b) Narasimhan Committee
- (c) Nayak Committee
- (d) Rakesh Mohan Committee
- **109.** The ratio of change in Capital to change in Output is
 - (a) Capital convertibility
 - (b) Incremental Capital Output ratio
 - (c) Decremental Capital Output ratio
 - (d) Capital liquidity ratio
- **110.** Under The Government of India Act, 1935 Residuary powers were given to
 - (a) Viceroy
 - (b) Secretary of state
 - (c) Queen Elizabeth
 - (d) British Prime Minister
- **111.** Which of the following feature of the Indian Constitution is borrowed from Australian Constitution?
 - (a) Concurrent list
 - (b) Joint sitting of two houses of the parliament





- (c) Neither (a) Nor (b)
- (d) Both (a) and (b)
- **112.** Which of the following has no representation from Rajya Sabha?
 - (a) Public Accounts Committee
 - (b) Estimates Committee
 - (c) Committee on Public Undertakings
 - (d) None of these
- **113.** Emergency provisions were borrowed from
 - (a) USA
 - (b) Australia
 - (c) Germany
 - (d) Britain
- **114.** The words "SOCIALIST", "SECULAR" & "INTEGRITY" in the Preamble were
 - (a) deleted by 35th amendment but again added by 42nd amendment.
 - (b) Introduced in the Preamble by 43rd amendment but again

deleted by 55th amendment.

- (c) Introduced in the Preamble by 42nd amendment.
- (d) None of these.
- 115. Consider the following pair(s)

 Floating Solar Plants in India
 Their respective states
 - 1. Kayamkulam Kerala
 - 2. Simhadri Himachal Pradesh
 - 3. Ramagundam Andhra Pradesh
 - 4. Omkareshwar
 Jharkhand
 Select the correct answer:
 - (a) Only one pair
 - (b) Only two pair
 - (c) Only three pair
 - (d) All the above
- **116.** Consider the following statements regarding Antarctic Bill 2022:
 - 1. India is the 1st country in Asia to have a domestic legislation on Antarctica.
 - 2. The most significant part of the bill is extending the jurisdiction of Indian courts to Antarctica, for crimes done by both Indian citizen and Foreign





citizen.

3. India signed the Antarctic Treaty during the Prime Minister Ship of Jawaharlal Nehru.

Select the correct answer given below:

- (a) 2 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only.
- (c) 1 only.
- (d) 1 and 3 only.
- **117.** Who was the founder of Bhonsle dynasty?
 - (a) Serfoji I
 - (b) Shivaji Bhonsale I
 - (c) Raghoji Bhonsle I
 - (d) Rajaram Bhosle I
- **118.** Indian Government Bond Yields are influenced by which of the following?
 - 1.Actions of the United States Federal Reserve
 - 2.Actions of the Reserve Bank of India
 - 3.Inflation and short-term interest rates

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 119. With reference to 'IFC Masala Bonds', sometimes seen in the news, which of the statements given below is/ are correct?
 - 1.The International Finance Corporation, which offers these bonds, is an arm of the World Bank.
 - 2. They are the rupeedenominated bonds and are a source of debt financing for the public and private sector.

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
- **120.** In India, if a religious sect/community is given the status of a national minority, what special advantages it is entitled to?
 - 1.It can establish and administer exclusive





educational institutions.

- 2.The President of India automatically nominates a representative of the community to Lok Sabha.
- 3.It can derive benefits from the Prime Minister's 15-Point Programme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **121.** Consider the following in respect of Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS):

1.Inaugural IONS was held in India in 2015 under the chairmanship of the Indian Navy.

2.IONS is a voluntary initiative that seeks to increase maritime co-operation among navies of the littoral states of the Indian Ocean Region.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

122. Consider the following statements:

1.In the case of all cereals, pulses, and oil seeds, the procurement at Minimum Support Price (MSP) is unlimited in any State/UT of India.

2.In the case of cereals and pulses, the MSP is fixed in any State/UT at a level to which the market price will never rise.

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
- **123.** Which one of the following groups of items is included in India's foreign-exchange reserves?
 - (a) Foreign-currency assets, Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) and loans from foreign countries
 - (b) Foreign-currency assets, gold holdings of the RBI and SDRs
 - (c) Foreign-currency assets,





loans from the World Bank and SDRs

- (d) Foreign-currency assets, gold holdings of the RBI and loans from the World Bank
- **124.** Which one of the following pairs of islands is separated from each other by the 'Ten Degree Channel'?
 - (a) Andaman and Nicobar
 - (b) Nicobar and Sumatra
 - (c) Maldives and Lakshadweep
 - (d) Sumatra and Java
- **125.** With reference to National Legal Services Authority, consider the following statements:
 - 1.Its objective is to provide free and competent legal services to the weaker sections of the society on the basis of equal opportunity.
 - 2.It issues guidelines for the State Legal Services Authorities to implement the legal programmes and schemes throughout the country.

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
- **126.** With reference to the Parliament of India, consider the following statements:
 - 1.A private member's bill is a bill presented by a Member of Parliament who is not elected but only nominated by the President of India.
 - 2.Recently, a private member's bill has been passed in the Parliament of India for the first time in its history.

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
- **127.** Consider the following pairs:

Place of Pilgrimage Location

- 1.Srisailam: Nallamala Hills
- 2.Omkareshwar : Satmala Hills

3. Pushkar: Mahadeo Hills

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

(a) 1 only





- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **128.** Which of the following are the reasons for the occurrence of multi-drug resistance in microbial pathogens in India?
 - 1.Genetic predisposition of some people
 - 2. Taking incorrect doses of antibiotics to cure diseases
 - 3.Using antibiotics in livestock farming
 - 4.Multiple chronic diseases in some people

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) 1 and 2
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4
- (d) 2, 3 and 4
- **129.** Siachen Glacier is situated to the
 - (a) East of Aksai Chin
 - (b) East of Leh
 - (c) North of Gilgit
 - (d) North of Nubra Valley

130. With reference to 'Stand Up India Scheme', which of the following statements is/are correct?

1.Its purpose is to promote entrepreneurship among SC/ST and women entrepreneurs.

2.It provides for refinance through SIDBI.

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
- **131.** Consider the following in respect of Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS):

1.Inaugural IONS was held in India in 2018 under the chairmanship of the Indian Navy.

2.IONS is a voluntary initiative that seeks to increase maritime co-operation among navies of the littoral states of the Indian Ocean Region.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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





- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- **132.** Consider the following:
 - 1.Black-necked crane
 - 2.Cheetah
 - 3.Flying squirrel
 - 4. Snow leopard

Which of the above are naturally found in India?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (c) 2 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- **133.** Which one of the following statements is not correct?
 - (a) Hepatitis B virus is transmitted much like HIV.
 - (b) Hepatitis B unlike HepatitisC, does not have a vaccine.
 - (c) Globally, the number of people infected with Hepatitis B and C viruses arc several times more than those infected with HIV.
 - (d) Some of those infected with Hepatitis B and C viruses do not show the symptoms for many

years

- **134.** Consider the following actions by the Government:
 - 1. Cutting the tax rates
 - 2.Increasing the government spending
 - 3. Abolishing the subsidies in the context of economic recession,

which of the above actions can be considered a part of the "fiscal stimulus" package?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **135.** Consider the following statements in respect of Trade Related Analysis of Fauna and Flora in Commerce (TRAFFIC):
 - 1.TRAFFIC is a bureau under United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
 - 2. The mission of TRAFFIC is to ensure that trade in wild plants and animals is not a threat to the conservation of nature.

Which of the above statements





is/are correct?

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

136. Consider the following:

- 1.Foreign currency convertible bonds
- 2.Foreign institutional investment with certain conditions
 - 3. Global depository receipts
- 4.Non-resident external deposits

Which of the above can be included in Foreign Direct Investments?

- (a) 1, 2 and 3
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 2 and 4
- (d) 1 and 4
- **137.** Regarding the office of the Lok Sabha speaker, consider the following statements:
 - 1.He/She holds the office during the pleasure of the President.
 - 2.He/She need not be a member of the House at the time of his/her election but has to

become a member of the House within six months from the date of his/her election.

3.If he/she intends to resign, the letter of his/her resignation has to be addressed to the Deputy Speaker.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 3 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) None
- Index developed by Oxford
 Poverty and Human
 Development Initiative with
 UNDP support covers which of
 the following?
 - **1.** Deprivation of education, health, assets and services at household level
 - **2.** Purchasing power parity at national level
 - **3.** Extent of budget deficit and GDP growth rate at national level

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:





- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **139.** Consider the following specific stages of demographic transition associated with economic development
 - **1.** Low birthrate with low death rate
 - **2.** High birthrate with high death rate
 - **3.** High birthrate with low death rate

Select the correct order of the above stages using the codes given below:

- (a) 1, 2, 3
- (b) 2, 1, 3
- (c) 2, 3, 1
- (d) 3, 2, 1
- **140.** Which of the following can aid in furthering the Government's objective of inclusive growth?
 - **1.** Promoting Self-Help Groups

- **2.** Promoting Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
- **3.** Implementing the Right to Education Act

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **141.** With reference to National Rural Health Mission, which of the following are the jobs of 'ASHA', a trained community health worker?
 - **1.** Accompanying women to the health facility for antenatal care check-up
 - **2.** Using pregnancy test kits for early detection of pregnancy
 - **3.** Providing information on nutrition and immunization
 - **4.** Conducting the delivery of baby

Select he correct answer using the codes given below:

(a) 1, 2 and 3 only





- (b) 2 and 4 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- **142.** The endeavour of 'Janani Suraksha Yojana' Programme is
 - **1.** to promote institutional deliveries
 - **2.** to provide monetary assistance to the mother to meet the cost of delivery.
 - **3.** to provide for wage loss due to pregnancy and confinement

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
- **143.** How does the National Rural Livelihood Mission seek to improve livelihood options of rural poor?
 - **1.** By setting up a large number of new manufacturing industries and

- agribusiness centres in rural areas
- **2.** By strengthening 'self-help groups' and providing skill development
- **3.** By supplying seeds, fertilizers, diesel pumpsets and micro-irrigation equipment free of cost to farmers

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **144.** Consider the following:
 - 1. Hotels and restaurants
 - 2. Motor transport undertakings
 - 3. Newspaper establishments
 - 4. Private medical institutions

The employees of which of the above can have the 'Social Security' coverage under Employees' State Insurance Scheme?





- (a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- (b) 4 only
- (c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 145. How do District Rural
 Development Agencies (DRDAs)
 help in the reduction of rural
 poverty in India?
 - 1. DRDAs act as Panchayati Raj Institutions in certain Specified backward regions of the country.
 - 2. DRDAs undertake areaspecific scientific study of the causes of poverty and malnutrition and prepare detailed remedial measures.
 - **3.** DRDAs secure intersectoral and interdepartmental coordination and cooperation for effective implementation of antipoverty programmes.
 - **4.** DRDAs watch over and ensure effective utilization of the funds intended for anti-poverty programmes

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1, 2 and 3 only

- (b) 3 and 4 only
- (c) 4 only
- (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- **146.** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) acts as a bankers' bank.

This would imply which of the following?

- **1.** Other banks retain their deposits with the RBI.
- **2.** The RBI lends funds to the commercial banks in times of need.
- **3.** The RBI advises the commercial banks on monetary matters.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 2, and 3 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **147.** Under which of the following circumstances may 'capital gains arise?
 - 1. When there is an increase in the sales of a product
 - 2. When there is a natural increase in the value of





the property owned

3. When you purchase a painting and there is a growth in its value due to increase in its popularity

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- **148.** Which of the following measures would result in an increase in the money supply in the economy?
 - **1.** Purchase of government securities from the public by the Central Bank
 - **2.** Deposit of currency in commercial banks by the public
 - **3.** Borrowing by the government from the Central Bank
 - **4.** Sale of government securities to the public by the Central Bank

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
(a) 1 only

- (b) 2 and 4 only
- (c) 1 and 3
- (d) 2, 3 and 4
- **149.** Consider the following statements: The price of any currency in international decided by the
 - 1. World Bank
 - **2.** Demand for goods/services provided by the country concerned
 - **3.** Stability of the government of the concerned country
 - **4.** Economic potential of the country in question

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 3 and 4 only
- (d) 1 and 4 only
- **150.** The basic aim of Lead Bank Scheme is that
 - (a) big banks should try to open offices in each district
 - (b) there should be stiff





competition among the various nationalized banks

(c) individual banks should adopt particular districts for intensive development (d) all the banks should make intensive efforts to mobilize deposits





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6.	С	28.	b		50.	a	72.	С	94.	b	116.	а		138.	a
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10.	С	32.	b		54.	а	76.	b	98.	а	120.	С		142.	а
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15.	d	37.	a		59.	а	81.	С	103.	d	125.	c		147.	b
16.	c	38.	b		60.	С	82.	b	104.	d	126.	d		148.	С
17.	c	39.	d		61.	d	83.	а	105.	а	127.	а		149.	b
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