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1.

Which of the following statements regarding Rashtriya Poshan Maah is/are correct?

1. Rashtriya Poshan Maah is celebrated annually in September to raise awareness about nutrition and health among women and children.
2. It is a scheme launched by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in collaboration with various international organizations.
3. The initiative is part of the larger Poshan Abhiyaan, which aims to address malnutrition and improve nutritional outcomes in the country.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 1 and 3 only

(c) 2 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2, and 3

2.

Consider the following statements about the different types of writs issued by the Supreme Court and High Courts in India:

1. **Habeas Corpus** can be issued even if the detention is lawful but the conditions of detention are alleged to be inhumane.
2. **Mandamus** can be issued to enforce the performance of a public duty but not to enforce a contractual obligation.
3. **Quo Warranto** can be used to question the legality of a person's claim to a public office if the office was not properly

filled according to the law.

4. **Certiorari** is used exclusively by the Supreme Court and cannot be issued by the High Courts.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

3.

Which of the following statements about the Telecom Act 2023 is/are correct?

- 1. The Telecom Act 2023 aims to provide a comprehensive framework for regulating the telecommunications sector in India.
- 2. The Act introduces provisions for a unified regulatory authority that oversees both telecom and broadcasting sectors.

- 3. The Act mandates that telecom service providers must invest a fixed percentage of their revenue in rural connectivity projects.

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

4.

Which of the following goals is directly addressed by the "Digital Bharat Nidhi" initiative?

- 1. Improving internet accessibility in remote and rural areas.
- 2. Funding research on artificial intelligence and machine learning.
- 3. Supporting the creation of national digital identity cards for citizens.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

5.

In the context of India's Bharat 6G Vision, which of the following statements are correct?

1. Bharat 6G Vision aims to position India as a global leader in 6G technology.
2. The plan is to launch 6G services by 2025 as part of the Bharat 6G initiative.
3. Bharat 6G Vision focuses on creating a roadmap for innovation in telecommunications, including satellite-based communication and AI-driven networks.
4. The Bharat 6G Vision also emphasizes sustainability and energy efficiency in network infrastructure.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

6.

Which of the following roles does India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) play in enhancing financial inclusion?

1. Providing doorstep banking services in rural areas.
2. Offering foreign currency exchange services.
3. Facilitating the opening of Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) accounts.

Choose the correct answer:

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

(d) 1, 2, and 3

7. In response to increasing air pollution levels in Indian cities, which of the following initiatives has been recently implemented by the Government of India to address the issue?

1. Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP)
2. E-Mobility Plan
3. National Air Quality Index (AQI)
4. National Clean Energy Fund (NCEF)

Select the correct answer using the code below:

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

8. Consider the following events related to the Partition of India in 1947:

1. The Radcliffe Award was

announced before India gained independence.

2. The Partition led to the largest mass migration in human history.
3. The Boundary Commission was responsible for determining the boundaries of the new dominions, but it did not consult the local population before finalizing the borders.

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

9. Consider the following statements regarding the coal industry and its impact on India's economy and environment:

1. The Gondwana coalfields

of India, found primarily in Jharkhand and Odisha, are known for their high calorific value.

2. India's coal consumption has consistently increased over the last decade, outpacing domestic production.
3. The auctioning of coal blocks to private companies has led to a significant increase in coal production in India over the past five years.
4. The Clean Energy Cess imposed on coal in India is used exclusively for the promotion of renewable energy projects.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

10.

Consider the following statements regarding the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM):

1. The India Semiconductor Mission (ISM) aims to build a sustainable semiconductor and display ecosystem in India.
2. ISM is an independent initiative and does not come under any existing government schemes or programs.
3. The mission includes incentives for setting up semiconductor fabs and display fabs in 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

11.

Consider the following statements regarding the Sukhoi

Su-30MKI:

1. The Su-30MKI is a fourth-generation fighter aircraft jointly developed by Russia and India.
2. The aircraft is equipped with thrust vectoring engines, which enhance its maneuverability.
3. The Su-30MKI is capable of carrying nuclear weapons.

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

12. Which of the following are potential benefits of implementing the Digital Agriculture Mission in India?

1. Reduction in post-harvest losses due to better supply chain management.
2. Increased transparency in

agricultural markets through blockchain technology.

3. Enhanced farmer access to credit through digital land records and crop monitoring.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

13.

Which of the following are benefits of registering on the e-Shram Portal?

1. Workers receive a pension under the Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-Dhan (PM-SYM) scheme upon reaching the age of 60.
2. The portal allows access to various state and central

government social security schemes.

3. Workers can access free legal aid for disputes related to labor laws.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

14. Which of the following statements are correct about the Ayushman Bharat Scheme?

1. The scheme provides health insurance coverage up to ₹5 lakhs per family per year for secondary and tertiary hospitalization.
2. Ayushman Bharat Scheme is a centrally funded scheme with no contribution required from the states.
3. The scheme is aimed

exclusively at providing health coverage to families below the poverty line (BPL).

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A) 1 and 2 only
- B) 1 and 3 only
- C) 2 and 3 only
- D) 1 only

15. Anaemia Mukd Bharat (AMB) Strategy aims to reduce the prevalence of anemia in India. Consider the following statements about the strategy:

1. The strategy is focused exclusively on women of reproductive age and pregnant women.
2. One of the key interventions of AMB is the introduction of prophylactic iron-folic acid supplementation for children and adolescents.

3. AMB promotes mandatory testing and treatment of anemia for all age groups in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

16.

Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) aims to provide affordable housing to the urban poor by the year 2022. One of the components of this scheme is the "Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme" (CLSS).

Which of the following statements about the CLSS under PMAY is/are correct?

1. The CLSS provides interest subsidy on home loans for both Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and Lower Income Group (LIG).
2. The interest subsidy under

CLSS is available for a maximum loan amount of ₹12 lakh.

3. The subsidy is provided upfront on the principal loan amount.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

17.

The National One Health Mission in India is an initiative aimed at addressing which of the following key challenges?

1. **Zoonotic Diseases:**

Diseases that are transmitted from animals to humans.

2. **Antimicrobial**

Resistance: The ability of microorganisms to resist the effects of medication previously used to treat them.

3. **Climate Change:**

Mitigating the effects of climate change on human and animal health.

4. **Food Security:** Ensuring the availability of sufficient, safe, and nutritious food.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- A) 1, 2, and 3 only
B) 1 and 2 only
C) 1, 3, and 4 only
D) 1, 2, 3, and 4

18. Consider the following statements about the Law Commission of India:

1. The Law Commission's recommendations have led to the enactment of significant laws in the Indian legal system, including the Indian Penal

Code (IPC).

2. The Law Commission was first established during British rule in India.
3. The Law Commission's reports have no legal standing until they are adopted by the Parliament.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

19. Consider the following statements regarding the constitutional provisions related to reservation in India:

1. The 50% cap on reservations in educational institutions and public employment is a judicially mandated limit established

by the Supreme Court in the case of Indra Sawhney vs. Union of India (1992).

2. The 124th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2019 introduced a 10% reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) in educational institutions and public employment.
3. The concept of 'creamy layer' was first introduced through the 86th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2002.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- A) Only 1
- B) 1 and 2
- C) 2 and 3
- D) All

20. Consider the following statements regarding the

National Green Hydrogen

Mission:

1. The mission aims to make India a global hub for the production of green hydrogen.
2. It proposes to set up green hydrogen production capacities of at least 5 million metric tonnes (MMT) per annum by 2030.
3. The mission focuses only on domestic consumption and does not include exports as a strategic goal.

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. Consider the following statements about the books authored by Dr. Sarvepalli

Radhakrishnan:

1. "The Philosophy of Rabindranath Tagore" was Dr. Radhakrishnan's first major work, where he analyzed the philosophical ideas of Tagore and their relevance to Indian spirituality.
2. In "An Idealist View of Life," Dr. Radhakrishnan presented his ideas on the synthesis of Western idealism and Indian spiritualism.
3. "Indian Philosophy" is a two-volume work by Dr. Radhakrishnan that offers a comprehensive analysis of the history and development of Indian philosophical traditions.

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

22.

The Indian textile industry is characterized by various policy measures and developmental initiatives. Consider the following statements:

1. The 'National Textiles Mission' aims to increase the share of the textile sector in the global market by 10% by 2030.
2. The Indian government has established the 'Textile Park' scheme to support the development of textile clusters and attract investments.
3. The 'Samarth Scheme' focuses specifically on the training and skill development of workers in the textile sector.
4. The 'India Handloom Brand' initiative is designed to promote and

market handloom products domestically and internationally.

Which of the following statements are correct?

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

23. The Treaty of Versailles, signed in 1919, had profound implications for the post-World War I international order. Which of the following statements accurately reflects a provision of the treaty?

- A) The treaty mandated the establishment of the League of Nations with a primary objective of promoting economic cooperation among member states.
- B) The treaty required Germany to cede the Saar Basin to France

for a period of 15 years, after which a plebiscite was held to determine its future status.

C) The treaty included provisions for the immediate disarmament of all major European powers, including Britain and France, to ensure lasting peace.

D) The treaty specifically abolished the German monarchy and established a democratic republic in Germany as a direct result of the treaty's conditions.

24. Which of the following objectives are part of the Smart City Mission's goals?

- 1. To reduce carbon emissions by promoting sustainable urban transportation.
- 2. To increase the number of megacities with populations exceeding 10 million.
- 3. To enhance urban safety and security through surveillance and

monitoring systems.

4. To develop cities into smart cities without any involvement of local governments.

Select the correct answer using the codes below:

- A) 1 and 3 only
- B) 1, 2, and 3 only
- C) 1 and 4 only
- D) 2 and 4 only

25.

The Heads of Asian Coast Guard Agencies Meeting (HACGAM) plays a crucial role in maritime security in the Asia-Pacific region. Consider the following statements:

1. The first HACGAM was held in Tokyo, Japan, and its primary focus was on counter-piracy measures in the Malacca Strait.
2. HACGAM includes the participation of non-coast guard maritime security

agencies such as navies and customs from member states.

3. One of the key outcomes of recent HACGAM meetings has been the establishment of joint patrols and coordinated response mechanisms across different maritime zones in Asia.

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

26.

Which of the following health interventions are specifically designed to reduce under-five child mortality from preventable diseases?

1. Oral rehydration therapy (ORT)
2. Iron and folic acid supplementation for

- pregnant women
3. Rotavirus vaccination
 4. Use of insecticide-treated mosquito nets

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

27.

Consider the following statements regarding the Jal Shakti Abhiyan (JSA) and its initiatives:

1. The Jal Shakti Abhiyan includes an initiative that aims to increase groundwater levels by constructing check dams and percolation tanks in areas with over-exploited groundwater resources.
2. Under the Jal Shakti

Abhiyan, the government promotes the use of the "Jal Shakti Kisan Card," which provides farmers with financial assistance for implementing water-efficient agricultural practices.

3. The campaign is designed to operate during the pre-monsoon and post-monsoon periods to maximize the impact of water conservation efforts.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (A) 1 only
- (B) 1 and 3 only
- (C) 2 and 3 only
- (D) 1, 2, and 3

28.

With reference to the National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM), consider the following statements:

1. The NRLM seeks to ensure

that at least one member from each rural household is brought under the umbrella of a Self Help Group (SHG).

2. The NRLM is fully funded by the Central Government and does not require any financial contribution from the State Governments.
3. NRLM integrates with other government programs like Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) and Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) to provide a holistic approach to rural development.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

29. Consider the following statements regarding the International Solar Alliance (ISA):

1. The ISA was established to promote solar energy adoption globally, with a special focus on solar-rich countries lying fully or partially between the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn.
2. The ISA is a legally binding treaty-based intergovernmental organization.
3. All member countries of the United Nations can join the ISA, regardless of their geographic location.
4. The ISA's headquarters is located in New Delhi, India.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

(d) 2, 3, and 4 only

30.

Consider the following statements about the Agni missile series:

1. Agni-I has the shortest range among the missiles in the Agni series.
2. Agni-III is capable of carrying a higher payload compared to Agni-I.
3. Agni-V is the first missile in the Agni series to be canisterized.

Which of the above statements 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 Exercise Varuna between India and France, consider the following statements:

1. Exercise Varuna has evolved from a purely naval exercise to include joint operations involving all three branches of the armed forces.
2. The exercise is part of a strategic partnership agreement signed between India and France in 1998.
3. During Exercise Varuna, both nations exclusively use their indigenously developed naval assets, without involving any foreign-manufactured equipment.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 1 only
- B) 1 and 2 only

C) 2 and 3 only

D) 1, 2, and 3

32. With reference to the "DigiYatra" initiative launched by the Government of India, consider the following statements:
1. DigiYatra enables passengers to use their facial biometrics as a single token for verification from entry at the airport to boarding the flight.
 2. The DigiYatra platform integrates with the Central Identities Data Repository (CIDR) to authenticate passenger identity using Aadhaar data.
 3. Participation in DigiYatra is mandatory for all domestic passengers in India.
 4. The initiative is currently limited to select airports in India, with plans for

phased nationwide expansion.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 1, 3, and 4 only

(c) 1 and 4 only

(d) 2, 3, and 4 only

33. Consider the following statements regarding MDR-TB:
1. MDR-TB can be treated using the same antibiotics as regular TB but for a longer duration.
 2. The spread of MDR-TB is more difficult to control because it requires expensive and prolonged treatment.
 3. MDR-TB primarily develops due to improper or incomplete treatment

of regular TB.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (A) 1 and 2 only
- (B) 2 and 3 only
- (C) 1 and 3 only
- (D) 1, 2, and 3

34. Consider the following statements regarding the Network Planning Group (NPG):

1. The NPG is responsible for the coordination of national infrastructure projects to ensure their efficient and timely execution.
2. The NPG functions under the Union Ministry of Commerce and Industry.
3. The NPG is tasked with reviewing and approving all logistics-related infrastructure projects in India.

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

35.

With reference to the National Mission on Edible Oils – Oil Palm (NMEO-OP), consider the following statements:

1. The NMEO-OP aims to increase the area under oil palm cultivation in both traditional and non-traditional states of India.
2. The mission has set a target to achieve self-sufficiency in edible oil production by 2030.
3. Under the NMEO-OP, the government provides direct subsidies to farmers for the cultivation of genetically modified (GM) oil palm varieties.
4. The mission includes a component to promote the

development of oil palm processing units in coastal regions only.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

36.

Which of the following statements about the Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) Authority are correct?

- 1. The IEPF Authority is established under the Companies Act, 2013.
- 2. The primary purpose of the IEPF Authority is to promote awareness among investors about their rights and facilitate the refund of unclaimed dividends, matured deposits, and debentures.
- 3. The IEPF Authority is

responsible for monitoring the use of investor funds by companies.

- 4. Unclaimed amounts transferred to the IEPF can be claimed by investors within seven years from the date of transfer.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

37.

The Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar is an award presented by the Government of India to children with exceptional abilities and outstanding achievements in various fields. Analyze the following statements regarding the award and select the correct option:

- 1. The Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar is

awarded to children aged between 5 and 18 years.

2. The award categories include Innovation, Scholastic Achievements, Sports, Art & Culture, Social Service, and Bravery.
3. The recipients of the award are granted financial aid as well as priority in admission to government educational institutions.
4. The award was instituted in the year 2018, replacing the erstwhile National Child Award for Exceptional Achievement.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

38. Consider the following

statements regarding the Quit India Movement of 1942:

1. The Quit India Movement was launched by Mahatma Gandhi during a meeting of the Indian National Congress at the Wardha session in 1942.
2. The British government immediately responded to the movement by arresting major leaders of the Indian National Congress, including Gandhi.
3. The movement saw participation only from the Congress, while other political groups like the Muslim League and the Communist Party of India remained largely inactive.
4. Despite heavy suppression by the British, the Quit India Movement led directly to the immediate withdrawal of British forces from India within a year.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

39.

Consider the following statements about Monkeypox:

1. Monkeypox is caused by a virus from the same family as the smallpox virus.
2. Human-to-human transmission of Monkeypox is primarily through respiratory droplets, but it can also spread through contact with infected animals.
3. Monkeypox has a lower mortality rate compared to smallpox, but it has a higher rate of severe complications in immunocompromised individuals.

4. A vaccine specifically developed for Monkeypox has been widely administered in endemic regions to control outbreaks.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

40.

Question:

Which of the following statements about the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP) in India is/are correct?

1. The NCAP aims to reduce the concentration of particulate matter (PM10 and PM2.5) by 20-30% by 2030 compared to 2017 levels.
2. The program is primarily a state-level initiative with limited central government

involvement.

3. It includes the creation of Air Quality Management Districts in cities with high pollution levels.
4. The NCAP includes measures to enhance air quality monitoring and improve data availability.

Select the correct answer using the code below:

- A) 1 and 3 only
- B) 2 and 4 only
- C) 1, 3, and 4 only
- D) 1, 2, 3, and 4

41.

Consider the following statements about the Nuakhai festival:

1. It is celebrated in the harvest season to mark the beginning of the new agricultural year.
2. The festival is observed primarily by the people of

the tribal community.

3. Traditional dance and music are key components of the celebration.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A) 1 and 2
- B) 1 and 3
- C) 2 and 3
- D) 1, 2, and 3

42.

Consider the following features of the Samagra Shiksha Scheme:

1. It promotes the concept of "School Leadership Development" as a key strategy.
2. It provides for a unified budgetary allocation for all levels of school education.
3. It mandates the creation of a dedicated school management committee in each school.
4. The scheme emphasizes a decentralized approach to planning and

implementation.

Which of the above features are aligned with the objectives of the Samagra Shiksha Scheme?

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

43.

Consider the following statements regarding the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Maan Dhan Yojana (PM-KMY):

- 1. Only farmers owning up to 1 hectare of cultivable land are eligible for the scheme.
- 2. The pension provided under the scheme is directly linked to the contribution made by the farmer and the government, with both contributing equally to a pension fund.
- 3. A farmer who joins the scheme at the age of 30

will have to contribute a higher monthly premium than a farmer who joins at the age of 18.

- 4. If a farmer dies before reaching the age of 60, the spouse is eligible to receive the full pension benefits immediately without any further contributions.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

44.

Consider the following statements regarding the Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (C4):

- 1. The Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (C4) is an initiative under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- 2. C4 provides a platform for

law enforcement agencies to collaborate and share information related to cyber crimes across India.

3. C4 also facilitates research and development in the field of cyber forensics.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

45.

The Government of India has launched several initiatives to combat malnutrition across the country. Consider the following statements regarding these initiatives:

1. POSHAN Abhiyaan (National Nutrition Mission) aims to reduce stunting, undernutrition, anemia, and low birth weight in children.
2. The Pradhan Mantri Matru

Vandana Yojana (PMMVY) provides cash incentives to pregnant women and lactating mothers to improve their health and nutrition.

3. The Mid-Day Meal Scheme is a universal program under which all school children in India receive free meals to combat classroom hunger and malnutrition.

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

46.

Which of the following is/are objectives of the National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA) in addressing malnutrition?

1. To provide subsidized food grains to approximately two-thirds of India's population.

2. To ensure nutritional security by establishing provisions for pregnant women and lactating mothers, as well as children up to 14 years of age.
3. To guarantee universal food distribution regardless of income level.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

47. Exercise Yudh Abhyas is a joint military exercise between India and the United States aimed at improving defense cooperation and interoperability between the two nations. Consider the following statements:

1. Exercise Yudh Abhyas takes place annually,

alternating between India and the United States.

2. The exercise focuses only on counterterrorism operations.
3. It involves participation from all three branches of the Indian Armed Forces (Army, Navy, Air Force).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

48. With reference to the National Research Foundation (NRF) in India, consider the following statements:

1. The National Research Foundation was proposed under the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 to promote a culture of research across all disciplines.
2. NRF's funding mechanism

will allow private sector contributions to support research in strategic sectors like defense and space.

3. The Governing Board of NRF includes members from international research organizations to ensure global standards.
4. NRF's mandate includes integrating research in Indian higher education institutions with the needs of the private sector for better economic outcomes.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

49.

Consider the following statements about the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah Yojna (PMMKSSY):

1. The scheme primarily aims to increase the income of fish farmers and fishers by improving the infrastructure and access to modern technology.
2. It provides direct financial assistance to fish farmers to adopt aquaculture technologies and improve productivity.
3. The scheme is exclusively available for inland fishing communities and does not cover marine fisheries.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

50.

Which of the following statements

about the "Digital India" initiative are correct?

1. The primary aim of Digital India is to provide high-speed internet to rural areas.
2. One of the pillars of Digital India is e-Governance, which focuses on delivering government services electronically.
3. Digital India promotes the digital empowerment of citizens by enhancing digital literacy and making digital resources available in regional languages.
4. Digital India's initiatives focus only on providing internet connectivity without regard to improving infrastructure or services.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 2 and 3 only

(c) 1, 2, and 3 only

(d) 1, 2, 3, and 4

51. Consider the following statements about BHIM UPI:

1. BHIM UPI allows users to request money as well as send money.
2. Transactions made through BHIM UPI are restricted to INR 50,000 per day for all users.
3. BHIM UPI can be used without an internet connection using the USSD-based service.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A) 1 only

B) 1 and 2 only

C) 1 and 3 only

D) 1, 2, and 3

52.

Consider the following statements regarding the National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA):

1. NeVA aims to make the proceedings of all State Legislatures accessible to citizens in real-time through digital means.
2. NeVA is part of the Digital India program and aims at bringing all the legislatures of the country onto a single digital platform.
3. NeVA eliminates the need for manual paper-based record-keeping in legislative houses.

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

53.

Consider the following statements regarding the National Florence Nightingale Award:

1. The award is named after Florence Nightingale, who is known for her pioneering work during the Crimean War.
2. The award was instituted in 1973 by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.
3. Only nurses working in India are eligible for this award.
4. The award is presented to individuals who demonstrate excellence in nursing research, education, and administration, apart from patient care.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (A) 1, 2, and 4

- (B) 2 and 3 only
- (C) 1 and 4 only
- (D) 1, 2, 3, and 4

54. With respect to Swami Vivekananda's speech at the World Parliament of Religions in Chicago in 1893, consider the following statements:
1. Swami Vivekananda introduced the concept of "Vedantic Universalism," which highlights that every religion is a valid path to the same divine truth.
 2. The speech was praised for rejecting Western ideas of religious superiority and emphasized India's own spiritual contribution to the world.
 3. Vivekananda's speech received minimal attention from the audience at the Parliament and only became widely recognized many years later.
 4. In his address, he stressed

the need for economic development in India alongside spiritual progress, citing the poverty prevalent in the country as a major concern.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) 1, 2, and 4 only
 - (b) 1 and 2 only
 - (c) 1, 3, and 4 only
 - (d) 2 and 3 only
55. Which of the following are true regarding the Exercise Eastern Bridge between India and Oman?
1. The first edition of the exercise was conducted in 2009.
 2. It promotes military diplomacy and strengthens strategic ties between the two nations.
 3. This exercise is a part of India's Act East Policy.

Select the correct answer:

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

56. Consider the following statements regarding Free Trade Agreements (FTAs):

1. FTAs can lead to trade diversion, where trade shifts from a more efficient producer outside the FTA to a less efficient producer within the FTA.
2. Under World Trade Organization (WTO) rules, FTAs are required to cover at least 50% of trade between member countries to be considered valid.
3. An FTA can include provisions on intellectual property rights, environmental standards, and labor rights in addition to trade in goods

and services.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

57. Gurmar is a herb known for its medicinal properties. Which of the following statements about Gurmar (*Gymnema sylvestre*) is/are correct?

1. Gurmar is commonly used in traditional medicine for its potential benefits in managing diabetes.
2. The herb is native to North America and is primarily used for its anti-inflammatory properties.
3. Gurmar's common name is "sugar destroyer" due to its ability to reduce sugar cravings.
4. The plant is known for its ability to enhance the absorption of vitamins and

minerals in the body.

Select the correct answer using the code below:

- A) 1 and 3 only
- B) 2 and 4 only
- C) 1 and 4 only
- D) 2 and 3 only

58. Consider the following statements about Indian revolutionaries in the early 20th century:

1. **Lala Har Dayal** was a founding member of the Ghadar Party, which aimed at overthrowing British rule through armed rebellion.
2. **Bagha Jatin**, a key figure in the anti-colonial struggle, was involved in the attempt to initiate an uprising known as the "Anushilan Samiti" against British rule.
3. **Ram Prasad Bismil** was instrumental in organizing

the Kanpur Conspiracy and was executed for his role in revolutionary activities.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

59. Consider the following statements about sonobuoys:

1. Sonobuoys are passive devices that only listen for underwater sounds without transmitting any signals.
2. Sonobuoys can be deployed both from aircraft and surface ships for detecting submarines.
3. The use of sonobuoys is limited to shallow waters as they cannot operate effectively in deeper ocean regions.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 1 only
- B) 1 and 3 only
- C) 2 only
- D) 2 and 3 only

60.

Consider the following statements regarding the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY):

1. PMGSY is a centrally sponsored scheme aimed at providing all-weather road connectivity in rural areas.
2. PMGSY was launched to improve rural infrastructure and includes components for upgrading rural road safety measures like crash barriers and road markings.
3. The program mandates that roads constructed under PMGSY must be

maintained for a period of at least 10 years by the respective state governments.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (A) 1 only
- (B) 1 and 3 only
- (C) 2 and 3 only
- (D) 1, 2, and 3

61.

Consider the following statements regarding the Maritime State Development Council (MSDC):

1. The Maritime State Development Council (MSDC) is an advisory body that includes representatives from both coastal and landlocked states of India.
2. It functions under the Ministry of Shipping and is chaired by the Minister of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways.

3. The primary purpose of MSDC is to ensure coordinated development of major and minor ports and to promote the growth of inland water transport in India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (A) 1 only
- (B) 2 and 3 only
- (C) 1 and 2 only
- (D) 1, 2, and 3

62. Consider the following statements regarding VL-SRSAM:

1. The VL-SRSAM is designed to intercept and neutralize aerial threats such as enemy fighter jets and missiles.
2. It can only be deployed on land-based systems.
3. The missile has a strike range of approximately 40-50 kilometers.
4. VL-SRSAM features a

vertical launch mechanism that ensures quick and precise interception.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

63. Consider the following statements regarding committees and tribunals for resolving inter-state water disputes in India:

1. The Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal was established to resolve water sharing disputes between Karnataka, Maharashtra, and Andhra Pradesh.
2. The Narmada Water Disputes Tribunal resolved disputes related to the sharing of waters of the Narmada River between Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh,

Maharashtra, and
Rajasthan.

3. The Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) was set up by the Government of India under the Interstate River Water Disputes Act of 1956.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

64. Consider the following statements regarding the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY):
1. PM-JAY provides health coverage of up to ₹5 lakh per family per year for secondary and tertiary hospitalization.
 2. This scheme covers all citizens of India regardless

of their socio-economic status.

3. PM-JAY is fully funded by the central government without any contributions from state governments.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

65. With reference to the Zorawar light tank, consider the following statements:

1. The Zorawar tank is equipped with drone integration for reconnaissance and combat support.
2. It has been designed to meet the mobility needs of armored forces in jungle warfare.

Which of the above statements

is/are correct?

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

66. Which of the following statements accurately describe the iDEX scheme?

1. The iDEX scheme provides financial grants exclusively to research institutions for developing advanced defence technologies.
2. iDEX encourages collaboration between defence forces and private sector entities to develop and prototype cutting-edge defence equipment.
3. Start-ups and individuals are not eligible to participate in the iDEX scheme.
4. The iDEX scheme is managed by the Defence

Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and focuses solely on improving existing defence technologies.

- A. 1 and 2
- B. 2 and 3
- C. 2 only
- D. 1 and 4

67. Consider the following statements about the Chola Empire:

1. The Chola Empire reached its zenith under the rule of Rajaraja Chola I.
2. The Cholas were known for their extensive naval expeditions, which included campaigns in Southeast Asia.
3. The administration of the Chola Empire was highly centralized with power

concentrated in the hands of the king alone.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

68. Which of the following statements about the history of Port Blair is/are correct?

1. Port Blair was named after a British naval officer who played a key role in the establishment of the Andaman Islands as a penal colony.
2. The Cellular Jail, located in Port Blair, was constructed during the rule of the British East India Company.
3. The Japanese occupied Port Blair during World War II, and it was under their control for a

significant period.

Options:

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

69.

Consider the following challenges associated with the "One Nation, One Election" concept:

1. Difficulty in synchronizing terms of State Assemblies with the Lok Sabha.
2. Increased logistical burden on election authorities.
3. The potential for national issues overshadowing state issues in elections.
4. Constitutional challenges in case of early dissolutions of the legislature.

Which of the above are valid concerns?

- (a) 1, 2, and 3 only
(b) 1, 2, 3, and 4
(c) 1 and 4 only
(d) 2, 3, and 4 only
70. Consider the following statements regarding the Nipah virus:
1. Nipah virus is primarily transmitted from human to human, and animal-to-human transmission is rare.
 2. Fruit bats of the Pteropodidae family are the natural hosts of the Nipah virus.
 3. Currently, there are effective vaccines available to prevent Nipah virus infection.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only
(b) 2 only

- (c) 1 and 3 only
(d) 2 and 3 only
71. Onam, a major festival of Kerala, is rooted in mythology and rich cultural traditions. Consider the following statements related to the festival:
1. The legend of Onam is linked to the mythical King Mahabali, who was sent to the netherworld by Lord Vishnu in the form of Vamana.
 2. Athachamayam, the first day of Onam celebrations, was traditionally observed with royal processions, which are still held in Thrissur to mark the beginning of the festival.
 3. The harvest festival Onam is celebrated to thank Lord Krishna for a bountiful yield of crops, as it coincides with the end of the agricultural season in

Kerala.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

72. Which of the following statements regarding the Startup India program is/are correct?

1. The Startup India initiative was launched in 2016 to build a strong ecosystem for nurturing innovation and startups in the country.
2. Under the Startup India program, startups are eligible for 100% tax exemption on profits for a period of 5 years.
3. Startups in India must be incorporated as a private limited company, a partnership firm, or a limited liability

partnership (LLP) to be recognized under the Startup India initiative.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

73. A volcano is an opening in the Earth's surface that allows molten rock, gases, and debris to escape from below the Earth's crust. Consider the following statements:

1. The **Ring of Fire** is the region in the Pacific Ocean basin where a large number of earthquakes and volcanic eruptions occur.
2. **Shield volcanoes** are characterized by steep slopes and explosive eruptions.
3. **Composite volcanoes**

often have alternating layers of solidified lava and volcanic ash.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

- (A) 1 and 2 only
- (B) 1 and 3 only
- (C) 2 and 3 only
- (D) 1, 2, and 3

74. Which of the following statements regarding the PM Surya Ghar scheme is/are accurate?

1. The scheme offers a central subsidy for solar rooftop systems installed in both residential and commercial sectors.
2. The eligibility for the scheme includes households with an annual income below Rs. 5 lakhs, provided they do not have any other solar installations.
3. The scheme aims to cover 20% of the total cost of the solar rooftop installation,

with additional state-level incentives possible.

Select the correct answer using the code below:

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

75. Which of the following statements about typhoons is/are correct?

1. Typhoons typically form over warm ocean waters where sea surface temperatures are above 26°C.
2. The Coriolis effect is crucial in the formation and rotation of typhoons.
3. Typhoons are the same as hurricanes and cyclones but are named differently depending on the region.
4. The intensity of a typhoon is measured using the Saffir-Simpson scale, which assesses wind speed

and damage potential.

Select the correct answer using the codes below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1, 2, and 3 only
- C. 1, 2, and 4 only
- D. 1, 3, and 4 only

76. Which of the following statements about India Water Week is/are correct?

1. It was first held in 2012 to emphasize the importance of water conservation.
2. The event is organized by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
3. The primary focus of the event is to promote international cooperation in water resource management.
4. The theme of India Water Week changes each year to address current water challenges.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- A) 1 and 2
- B) 1 and 4
- C) 2 and 3
- D) 1, 3, and 4

77. Consider the following statements about the ozone layer and its depletion:

1. The Montreal Protocol, adopted in 1987, was a global agreement aimed at phasing out substances responsible for ozone depletion.
2. Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) are primarily responsible for ozone depletion through a process known as ozone photolysis.
3. The Antarctic ozone hole is a phenomenon observed during the Southern Hemisphere's winter and spring due to unique meteorological conditions

and chemical reactions.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

78. Consider the following statements regarding Akbar's administrative and military reforms:

1. Akbar's introduction of the Zabt system aimed to improve revenue collection and was based on land measurement and crop classification.
2. The Ain-i-Akbari, written by Abu'l-Fazl, provides a comprehensive account of Akbar's administrative, military, and cultural policies.
3. Akbar's establishment of the Din-i Ilahi was an attempt to create a syncretic religion blending

elements of Hinduism and Islam.

Which of the statements above are correct?

Options:

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

79. In light of the India-US Strategic Clean Energy Partnership (SCEP), which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The SCEP focuses only on renewable energy sources like solar and wind energy.
2. One of the objectives of the SCEP is to enhance bilateral investments in clean energy technologies.
3. The SCEP includes initiatives aimed at enhancing energy security through energy access and

affordability.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

80.

The *PM Vishwakarma Yojana* was recently launched by the Government of India. Consider the following statements about the scheme:

1. The scheme aims to provide financial support and skills training to artisans and craftsmen engaged in traditional crafts.
2. Under the scheme, beneficiaries will receive collateral-free credit support at an interest rate of 5%.

3. The scheme targets those who are involved in high-tech industries such as IT services and software development.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

81.

Under the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), financial assistance is provided in the form of a margin money subsidy to micro-entrepreneurs. The percentage of the subsidy depends on the location and category of the applicant.

1. For rural areas, the general category applicants can receive a subsidy of up to 25% of the project cost.

2. For urban areas, SC/ST/OBC/Women applicants can receive a subsidy of up to 35% of the project cost.
3. The scheme is open to individuals above the age of 18 with a minimum educational qualification of matriculation.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

82.

With reference to the Jan Aushadhi Kendras under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP), consider the following statements:

1. The medicines sold through Jan Aushadhi

Kendras are regulated by the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) to ensure uniform pricing across the country.

2. Jan Aushadhi Kendras are allowed to sell only generic medicines, and no over-the-counter (OTC) or surgical products are permitted.
3. The Bureau of Pharma PSUs of India (BPPI) is the nodal agency responsible for implementing the Jan Aushadhi scheme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 1 only
- B) 1 and 3 only
- C) 2 and 3 only
- D) 3 only

83. Consider the following

statements regarding reflecting and refracting telescopes:

1. Reflecting telescopes are free from chromatic aberration, while refracting telescopes suffer from it.
2. Refracting telescopes use multiple lenses to gather light, while reflecting telescopes use mirrors.
3. Reflecting telescopes are larger than refracting telescopes because they do not need large, heavy lenses.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

84. Consider the following statements with reference to the "Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat

Gram Abhiyan (PMJUGA)":

1. The scheme aims at improving infrastructure in tribal-dominated villages with a focus on health, education, and sustainable livelihood.
2. The scheme provides special financial assistance to set up skill development centers and eco-tourism projects in tribal areas.
3. It is implemented exclusively by the Ministry of Rural Development in coordination with the states.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

85. Which of the following statements about the **Department of**

Biotechnology (DBT) in India is/are correct?

1. The Department of Biotechnology operates under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
2. The Department of Biotechnology promotes research and development in the field of modern biology and biotechnology.
3. The Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) is a not-for-profit organization under the DBT that supports startups and small enterprises in biotechnology.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

86. Consider the following statements regarding the Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay Sanrakshan Abhiyan (PM-AASHA):
1. The scheme provides for a Price Support Scheme (PSS) under which physical procurement of pulses, oilseeds, and copra is carried out by Central Nodal Agencies.
 2. The scheme includes a Price Deficiency Payment Scheme (PDPS) that ensures farmers are compensated for the difference between the market price and the Minimum Support Price (MSP).
 3. The scheme allows states to procure crops through a newly introduced Private Procurement & Stockist Scheme (PPSS).

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

87. Which of the following statements about the Bharatiya Antariksh Station (BAS) is/are correct?

1. The Bharatiya Antariksh Station is an Indian space station planned to be launched by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).
2. It is expected to be positioned in a geostationary orbit to facilitate communication and observation.
3. The primary objective of BAS is to conduct experiments in space and

develop technologies for long-duration human spaceflight.

Select the correct answer using the code below:

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

88. Which of the following statements regarding the Indus Water Treaty is/are correct?

1. The Indus Water Treaty was signed between India and Pakistan in 1960, with the World Bank playing a mediating role.
2. Under the treaty, India was given full rights over the waters of the Indus River.
3. The treaty divides the rivers of the Indus basin into three eastern rivers and three western rivers.

Select the correct answer using

the code given below:

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

89.

Consider the following statements regarding the Swadesh Darshan Scheme:

1. The Swadesh Darshan Scheme is an initiative by the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, aimed at developing theme-based tourist circuits.
2. The first circuit under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme was the Buddhist Circuit, which focuses on promoting tourism to significant Buddhist heritage sites.
3. Under this scheme, only states with existing world

heritage sites are eligible for tourism infrastructure development funding.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

90.

The Indus Valley Civilization was known for its advanced urban planning and sophisticated craftsmanship. Based on the evidence found from various excavation sites, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The cities of Harappa and Mohenjo-Daro had grid-like street layouts and well-planned drainage systems.
2. The people of the Indus Valley Civilization used the Devanagari script for their writing.

3. The primary economy of the Indus Valley Civilization was based on agriculture and trade.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

91.

Consider the following statements regarding the White Revolution in India:

1. The White Revolution was initiated under the leadership of Dr. Verghese Kurien.
2. Operation Flood, a part of the White Revolution, was launched to make India self-sufficient in milk production.
3. The National Dairy

Development Board (NDDB) was established during the White Revolution to manage dairy development.

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

92.

Consider the following statements regarding World Food India:

1. World Food India is organized by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Government of India.
2. The event primarily focuses on encouraging foreign direct investment (FDI) in India's food processing sector.
3. One of the key objectives of World Food India is to

increase the share of Indian food exports globally.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

93.

Which of the following are major sources of marine pollution?

1. Oil spills from ships
2. Agricultural runoff containing pesticides and fertilizers
3. Industrial waste disposal
4. Ocean-based tourism and recreational activities

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

(c) 1, 3, and 4 only

(d) 1, 2, 3, and 4

94.

Consider the following statements regarding the Global Cybersecurity Index:

1. The GCI is published by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).
2. It evaluates countries based on five pillars: Legal Measures, Technical Measures, Organizational Measures, Capacity Development, and Cooperation.
3. The GCI is primarily focused on assessing cyber threats faced by countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (A) 1 only
- (B) 1 and 2 only
- (C) 1 and 3 only

(D) 1, 2, and 3

95.

The Pradhan Mantri Vishwakarma Scheme aims to support traditional artisans and craftspeople by offering financial aid, skill upgradation, and recognition. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding this scheme?

1. The scheme provides financial support in the form of loans with subsidized interest rates.
2. Only individuals belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes are eligible under this scheme.
3. The scheme includes skill training and upgradation programs to enhance the capacity of artisans.
4. Beneficiaries of the scheme receive credit-linked insurance as part of the benefits.

Select the correct answer using

the code given below:

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

96.

Consider the following statements regarding the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana:

1. The scheme provides free electricity up to 300 units per month for households installing rooftop solar systems.
2. A subsidy of 40% is provided for the first 3 kW capacity of the solar system.
3. The scheme is expected to result in significant CO₂ emissions reduction over the 25-year lifetime of rooftop systems.

Which of the statements given

above is/are correct?

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

97.

Consider the following statements regarding Kalaripayattu:

1. Kalaripayattu is believed to have originated in the state of Kerala.
2. It primarily focuses on strikes, kicks, and weaponry but has no spiritual or healing practices.
3. The term "Kalari" refers to a battlefield or a training ground.
4. Kalaripayattu has influenced various classical dance forms of India.

Which of the statements given

above are correct?

- (A) 1, 3, and 4 only
- (B) 1 and 3 only
- (C) 2 and 3 only
- (D) 1, 2, 3, and 4

98.

Under the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Amendment Rules, 2023, which of the following is required from social media platforms?

1. To provide a mechanism for users to appeal content moderation decisions.
2. To conduct regular audits of their content moderation practices.
3. To verify the identity of all users before allowing them to create accounts.

Options:

- A) 1 and 2 only
- B) 2 and 3 only

C) 1 and 3 only

D) 1, 2, and 3

99.

Consider the following statements regarding the taxation system in India:

1. The Indian Constitution provides the central government with the exclusive power to levy income tax.
2. The concept of 'Tax Incidence' refers to the ultimate economic burden of a tax, which may differ from who formally pays it.
3. The provision for the imposition of a 'Wealth Tax' has been repealed in India.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

100

Consider the following statements regarding the Government e-Marketplace (GeM):

1. GeM is a platform for the procurement of goods and services by various government departments, organizations, and public sector undertakings.
2. It is mandatory for all government departments to purchase products through GeM.
3. GeM facilitates the use of artificial intelligence to improve the efficiency of the procurement process.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

101

What is the motto of the Indian Air Force?

- A) "Service Before Self"
- B) "A National Force"
- C) "Touch the Sky with Glory"
- D) "Unity in Diversity"

102

Analyze the following statements regarding the impact of World War I and its aftermath:

1. The Treaty of Brest-Litovsk was signed between Germany and Russia, allowing Germany to focus its efforts on the Western Front.
2. The war resulted in the collapse of four major empires: the Austro-Hungarian, Ottoman, German, and Russian Empires.
3. The use of chemical weapons during World War

I was prohibited by the Geneva Protocol of 1925, which was established before the war began.

Which of the statements is/are correct?

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

103

Consider the following statements regarding the International Day of Sign Languages (IDSL) and sign language:

1. The International Day of Sign Languages (IDSL) emphasizes the role of sign language in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
2. Sign languages are universal, meaning they are the same across all countries and cultures.
3. The United Nations

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities recognizes the importance of sign languages and obliges countries to promote their use.

4. According to the World Federation of the Deaf, there are more than 200 distinct sign languages used globally.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

104

Consider the following statements regarding the conservation and habitat of the Indian rhinoceros:

1. The Indian rhinoceros is classified as "Endangered" under the IUCN Red List.
2. Kaziranga National Park in Assam is the largest

habitat of the Indian rhinoceros in India.

3. The Indian rhinoceros is a herbivore and primarily feeds on aquatic plants and grasses.
4. Poaching for its horn remains one of the key threats to its survival.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- A. 1 and 2 only
B. 2, 3, and 4 only
C. 1, 3, and 4 only
D. 1, 2, 3, and 4

105

Consider the following statements regarding the Goa Maritime Symposium:

1. The Goa Maritime Symposium (GMS) is an initiative aimed at promoting mutual understanding and cooperation among Indian Ocean Region littoral states.

2. It is organized annually by the Indian Navy in collaboration with the Ministry of External Affairs.
3. The symposium primarily focuses on maritime law enforcement and combating piracy in the Indian Ocean Region.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 1 and 2 only
- B) 1 and 3 only
- C) 2 and 3 only
- D) 1 only

106

Consider the following statements regarding the IPEF:

1. The IPEF is primarily focused on promoting free trade agreements among member nations.
2. India is one of the founding members of the IPEF.

3. Climate action, digital economy, and supply chain resilience are core pillars of the IPEF.

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

107

Question:

The Government of India launched the Nagar Van Scheme as part of its environmental conservation efforts. Which of the following is/are correct regarding the Nagar Van Scheme?

1. The scheme aims to create urban forests and increase green cover in cities.
2. The scheme is managed by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
3. Under the scheme, public participation in urban

forest development is encouraged.

Select the correct answer using the codes below:

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

108

Consider the following statements regarding the Navika Sagar Parikrama:

1. Navika Sagar Parikrama was India's first-ever all-women expedition to circumnavigate the globe on an Indian Navy sailing vessel.
2. The expedition was completed onboard the Indian Navy's sailboat, **INS Tarini**.
3. The expedition aimed to promote ocean sailing and

increase awareness about climate change and marine pollution.

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

109

Which of the following statements about PM-JAY is/are correct?

1. It provides a health cover of ₹5 lakhs per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization.
2. PM-JAY is available for both rural and urban beneficiaries selected based on the Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC) data.
3. Beneficiaries of PM-JAY need to pay a premium to avail of the benefits of the

scheme.

4. The scheme covers all pre-existing diseases.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

110 Consider the following statements regarding the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA):

1. The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association is an international association of Commonwealth parliamentarians.
2. The CPA's main objective is to promote democracy, good governance, and

parliamentary standards within member states.

3. The CPA is affiliated with the Commonwealth Secretariat and operates under its direct authority.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

111

Consider the following statements about the Battle of Haifa (1918):

1. The Battle of Haifa was part of World War I and was fought between British forces and the Ottoman Empire.
2. The Jodhpur Lancers, Mysore Lancers, and Hyderabad Lancers, Indian cavalry units, played a significant role in the

victory of the Allied forces during the Battle of Haifa.

3. The capture of Haifa was crucial for securing the oil supply routes to the Allies in the Middle East.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

112

Which of the following statements is/are correct about the Mauryan administration and architecture?

1. The Mauryan empire was known for its highly centralized administration under Emperor Ashoka.
2. The Mauryan architectural legacy includes the construction of the Stupa at Sanchi and the Pillar at Sarnath.

3. Kautilya's *Arthashastra* was written during the Mauryan period and played a key role in defining administrative policies.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

113

The Asia Power Index, compiled by the Lowy Institute, assesses the power of nations in the Asia-Pacific region across several indicators. Based on this index, which of the following factors are considered to measure a country's power?

1. Military capability and defense networks
2. Diplomatic influence

3. Economic relationships
4. Cultural influence

Select the correct answer using the codes below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1, 2, and 3 only
- C. 1, 2, 3, and 4
- D. 2, 3, and 4 only

114

Consider the following statements regarding the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana (DAY):

1. The scheme focuses on the promotion of livelihoods in both rural and urban areas.
2. Under this scheme, **National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM)** focuses solely on promoting self-help groups (SHGs) for women in rural areas.

3. The urban component of this scheme is known as **National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM)**, which promotes skill development and employment in urban areas.

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

115

In the context of the "Make in India" initiative, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Make in India was launched with the aim of transforming India into a global design and manufacturing hub.
2. The initiative encourages investment in sectors such as defense, aerospace, and

pharmaceuticals.

3. Under this initiative, the government has set up the "Ease of Doing Business" ranking system for states to promote competition and enhance the business environment.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

- 116 Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding the Indian government's initiative for combating HIV/AIDS?

1. The National AIDS Control Programme (NACP) was launched in 1992 to prevent and control the spread of HIV in India.
2. The National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO)

functions under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

3. Anti-retroviral therapy (ART) is provided free of cost to HIV-infected individuals under government programs in India.
4. The Indian government provides vaccines to prevent HIV as part of its healthcare programs.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- A. 1 and 2 only
- B. 1, 2, and 3 only
- C. 1, 3, and 4 only
- D. 1, 2, 3, and 4

- 117 In the context of the Panchayat (Extension to Scheduled Areas) Act, 1996 (PESA Act), consider the following statements:

1. The Gram Sabha under the PESA Act has the

authority to safeguard and preserve the traditions and customs of the people.

2. The PESA Act mandates that the recommendation of the Gram Sabha is mandatory for granting mining leases in Scheduled Areas.
3. Under the PESA Act, all members of the Panchayat are required to belong to the Scheduled Tribes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

118

Which of the following statements regarding **World Tourism Day** and India's initiatives are correct?

1. India launched the **Incredible India 2.0 Campaign** to promote

sustainable and responsible tourism.

2. The Ministry of Tourism organizes special events across India on World Tourism Day to raise awareness about the economic benefits of tourism.
3. **Dekho Apna Desh** is an initiative linked to World Tourism Day that promotes domestic tourism among Indian citizens.

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

119

Which of the following statements about Sukanya Samridhi Yojana (SSY) are correct?

1. The account can be opened in the name of a

girl child below the age of 10 years.

2. The account can be opened with a minimum deposit of ₹500 and a maximum deposit of ₹1.5 lakh per financial year.
3. The maturity period of the SSY account is 18 years from the date of opening.
4. Interest earned on the deposits is taxable under Income Tax.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

120 Consider the following statements regarding **Poshan Maah**:

1. Poshan Maah is celebrated

annually in the month of September under the Poshan Abhiyaan.

2. One of the key focuses of Poshan Maah is improving water conservation practices.
3. The celebration of Poshan Maah involves activities like Poshan Melas, Nutrition Rallies, and Village Health, Sanitation, and Nutrition Days.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

121

Which of the following statements regarding supercomputers is/are correct?

1. Supercomputers are designed to perform complex calculations at

- high speed.
2. They are typically used for tasks such as climate modeling, molecular modeling, and cryptography.
 3. The term "supercomputer" refers to a specific brand or model of a computer system.
 4. Supercomputers can execute billions of calculations per second.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- A) 1 and 2 only
- B) 1, 2, and 4 only
- C) 1, 3, and 4 only
- D) 2 and 4 only

122

Which of the following statements is true regarding the "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao" scheme launched by the Government of India?

1. It was launched in 2015 to

- address the declining child sex ratio in the country.
2. The scheme focuses only on the education of girls and does not address issues related to their health.
3. The initiative is implemented solely through non-governmental organizations (NGOs).
4. The scheme aims to create a conducive environment for the education of girls and to promote their rights.

- A)** 1 and 4 only
- B)** 1 and 2 only
- C)** 3 only
- D)** 1, 2, 3, and 4

123

Which of the following are the key features of the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission?

1. Creation of unique Health IDs for individuals.
2. Establishment of the National Health Authority (NHA) to regulate private

healthcare providers.

3. Development of a national health registry for doctors and healthcare institutions.
4. Telemedicine platforms for virtual healthcare services.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

124

Consider the following statements regarding the Directorate General of Quality Assurance (DGQA):

1. The DGQA functions under the Ministry of Defence, Government of India.
2. It is responsible for ensuring quality assurance for defence

products only during the manufacturing stage.

3. DGQA also undertakes quality audits of the defence equipment produced in India as well as imported from other countries.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

125

The Government of India recently launched the "BharatTex Initiative" to promote traditional Indian textiles globally. Consider the following statements regarding the initiative:

1. The BharatTex Initiative aims to support small-scale textile weavers and artisans by providing them with direct market access through digital platforms.
2. The initiative is focused

solely on promoting silk and cotton textiles across international markets.

3. Under the BharatTex Initiative, financial aid is provided to weavers for adopting sustainable and eco-friendly textile production methods.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

126 Which of the following statements is/are correct about Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease (NAFLD) ?

1. NAFLD refers to the accumulation of fat in the liver in people who consume little to no alcohol.
2. Risk factors for NAFLD include obesity, diabetes,

and high cholesterol levels.

3. NAFLD cannot progress into more severe liver conditions like cirrhosis.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

127

With reference to the Indian government's initiatives in the textile industry, consider the following statements:

1. PM MITRA (Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel) Parks initiative aims to establish world-class industrial infrastructure that would attract investments and promote employment generation in the textile sector.

2. The Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS) promotes investment in technology upgradation in the textile industry, but it does not provide any form of subsidy to the industry.
3. Samarth (Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector) aims to provide skill development training to young people, but the scheme is limited to training women only.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- A) 1 and 2 only
- B) 2 and 3 only
- C) 1 only
- D) 1 and 3 only

128

Which of the following measures is/are considered effective in preventing rabies transmission?

1. Avoiding contact with wild animals, especially in rabies-endemic areas.
2. Vaccinating pets and domestic animals regularly.
3. Drinking boiled water in rabies-affected regions to avoid the virus.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

129

Shaheed Bhagat Singh became widely known for his daring actions against the British.

Which of the following statements is/are correct about him?

1. Bhagat Singh, along with Batukeshwar Dutt, threw non-lethal bombs in the Central Legislative Assembly in 1929 to protest against repressive laws.

2. He was a founder of the Hindustan Socialist Republican Association (HSRA).
3. Bhagat Singh's famous slogan "Inquilab Zindabad" was coined by him.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

130 Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) is a growing concern worldwide, as it makes the treatment of bacterial infections increasingly difficult. Consider the following statements regarding AMR:

1. Overuse and misuse of antibiotics in humans and livestock are major drivers of AMR.
2. Bacterial resistance to antibiotics occurs due to genetic mutations or the

acquisition of resistance genes.

3. AMR can result in prolonged hospital stays, higher medical costs, and increased mortality.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

131 In the context of nuclear energy, consider the following statements:

1. **Nuclear fission** is the process used in nuclear reactors to produce energy.
2. **Nuclear fusion** is a safer and more sustainable process that is currently widely used for energy generation.
3. **Uranium-238** is the primary fuel used in nuclear reactors.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

132 The Universal Immunization Program (UIP) is one of the largest health programs in the world, providing immunization against various diseases. Consider the following statements about UIP:

1. The UIP covers all vaccines listed under the National Immunization Schedule.
2. The UIP targets immunization for infants and pregnant women.
3. Under UIP, vaccination against measles was introduced first in 1985.
4. The UIP is fully funded by the World Health Organization (WHO).

Which of the above statements are correct?

- (A) 1 and 2 only
- (B) 2 and 3 only
- (C) 1, 2, and 3 only
- (D) 1, 3, and 4 only

133 Consider the following statements regarding the *Sabki Yojna Sabka Vikas* Abhiyan:

1. It is an initiative aimed at preparing Gram Panchayat Development Plans (GPDP) by involving local communities.
2. The primary focus of this campaign is to ensure that marginalized sections of society, including women and scheduled castes, are excluded from the planning process.
3. The campaign is implemented annually in all the Gram Panchayats across India to promote

decentralized planning.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

134 Which of the following statements about the Defence Accounts Department (DAD) in India is/are correct?

1. The Defence Accounts Department is responsible for the payment of salaries and pensions to the armed forces personnel.
2. It is under the administrative control of the Ministry of Finance.
3. The Controller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA) is the head of the Defence Accounts Department.

Select the correct answer using

the code given below:

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

135 Which of the following statements about the Vedas is/are correct?

1. The Rigveda is the oldest of the four Vedas and contains hymns praising various deities.
2. The Samaveda focuses on prose compositions used in daily rituals.
3. The Atharvaveda contains hymns, charms, and magical spells for healing and protection.
4. The Yajurveda is primarily concerned with rituals and sacrificial formulas.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 1, 3, and 4 only

(c) 2 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2, 3, and 4

136 Which of the following statements regarding Mughal literature is/are correct?

1. The Persian language became the principal language of administration and culture during the Mughal era.
2. Abu'l Fazl, a court historian of Akbar, authored the "Ain-i-Akbari," which is part of the larger work "Akbarnama."
3. The translation of Indian epics like Mahabharata and Ramayana into Persian was initiated by Jahangir.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

A) 1 and 2 only

B) 2 and 3 only

C) 1 and 3 only

D) 1, 2, and 3

137

Consider the following statements regarding marine life and ecosystems:

1. Coral reefs support nearly 25% of marine species but cover less than 1% of the ocean floor.
2. The deep sea, beyond the photic zone, lacks biodiversity due to the absence of sunlight and photosynthesis.
3. Mangroves play a vital role in protecting marine biodiversity and mitigating climate change by acting as carbon sinks.

Which of the above statements are correct?

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 2 and 3 only

(c) 1 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2, and 3

138 Consider the following statements regarding Gupta Architecture:

1. The Dashavatara Temple at Deogarh is one of the earliest surviving Hindu stone temples in North India.
2. The Gupta period saw the development of rock-cut architecture, primarily Buddhist, as seen in Ajanta and Ellora caves.
3. The famous iron pillar in Delhi, erected during the Gupta period, is known for its rust-resistant properties and is considered part of the architectural advancements of the era.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 1 and 3 only

(c) 2 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2, and 3

139 Which of the following statements regarding CPENGRAMS is/are correct?

1. CPENGRAMS is managed by the Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare (DoPPW).
2. The platform provides pensioners the facility to track their grievances online.
3. CPENGRAMS is exclusively for Central Government pensioners and does not cater to state government or public sector pensioners.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 2 and 3 only

(c) 1 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2, and 3

140 Which of the following statements regarding Swachh Vayu Diwas is/are correct?

1. Swachh Vayu Diwas is celebrated annually on September 7.
2. The initiative focuses exclusively on reducing industrial emissions as the primary source of air pollution.
3. The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) leads the initiative for Swachh Vayu Diwas.
4. The Clean Air Program under this initiative aims to reduce particulate matter (PM) concentrations by 30-40% by 2024 in non-attainment cities.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

(a) 1 and 3 only

(b) 1, 3, and 4 only

(c) 2 and 4 only

(d) 1, 2, 3, and 4

141 Which of the following are primary duties of the Indian Coast Guard?

1. Anti-smuggling operations in Indian waters.
2. Assisting in natural disaster response in coastal areas.
3. Safeguarding Indian maritime assets, including oil rigs.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

(a) 1 and 2 only

(b) 2 and 3 only

(c) 1 and 3 only

(d) 1, 2, and 3

142 Consider the following statements about ISRO's

proposed Venus Orbiter Mission:

1. The mission aims to study the atmosphere of Venus, including its dynamics and surface composition.
2. ISRO's Venus mission will be the first mission by any space agency to explore Venus.
3. One of the key objectives of the mission is to study the interaction of the solar wind with Venus' atmosphere.

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

143

Which of the following statements regarding tobacco control initiatives in India is/are correct?

1. The Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products Act (COTPA) of 2003 mandates

that tobacco products

must carry health

warnings on at least 40% of their packaging.

2. The National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP) was launched in 2007-08 to create awareness about the harmful effects of tobacco use and to reduce the demand for tobacco products.
3. The Government of India has signed the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC), which provides a set of universal tobacco control standards.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

Sl. no.	Ans	EXPLANATIONS
1.	B	<p>Answer: (b) 1 and 3 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Rashtriya Poshan Maah is indeed observed in September each year to promote nutrition and health awareness, particularly targeting women and children. This statement is correct. Rashtriya Poshan Maah is not specifically launched by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in collaboration with international organizations; rather, it is an initiative under the Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD). Hence, this statement is incorrect. The Rashtriya Poshan Maah is part of the broader Poshan Abhiyaan, which aims to tackle malnutrition and improve nutritional outcomes in India. This statement is correct.
2.	A	<p>Correct Answer: (a) 1, 2, and 3 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Habeas Corpus: This writ is designed to ensure that a person is not unlawfully detained. It is generally used to examine the legality of detention, not just the conditions. If the detention is lawful but the conditions are alleged to be inhumane, the writ may still be issued to examine whether the detention meets legal standards. Therefore, Statement 1 is correct. Mandamus: This writ can be issued to compel a public authority to perform a public duty. It is not applicable for enforcing private contractual obligations. Therefore, Statement 2 is

		<p>correct.</p> <p>3. Quo Warranto: This writ is issued to question the legality of a person holding a public office if they are not authorized to hold it or if the appointment was not made in accordance with the law. Therefore, Statement 3 is correct.</p> <p>4. Certiorari: This writ can be issued by both the Supreme Court and High Courts. It is used to quash orders or decisions of lower courts or tribunals that have acted beyond their jurisdiction or made an error. It is not exclusive to the Supreme Court. Therefore, Statement 4 is incorrect.</p>
3.	B	<p>Answer: b) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct - The Telecom Act 2023 aims to provide a comprehensive framework for regulating the telecommunications sector, addressing issues such as licensing, spectrum management, and consumer protection.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct - The Act introduces provisions for a unified regulatory authority that will oversee both the telecommunications and broadcasting sectors, streamlining regulatory functions and reducing overlaps.</p> <p>Statement 3: Incorrect - The Act does not specifically mandate a fixed percentage of revenue to be invested in rural connectivity projects. However, it may include general provisions to enhance connectivity in underserved areas.</p>

4.	A	<p>Answer: (a) 1 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">Correct - A primary goal of the "Digital Bharat Nidhi" initiative is to improve internet accessibility, particularly in remote and rural areas, to bridge the digital divide.Incorrect - The initiative does not specifically focus on funding research in artificial intelligence and machine learning.Incorrect - The creation of national digital identity cards is not the primary focus of the "Digital Bharat Nidhi" initiative; it is more about improving digital infrastructure.
5.	C	<p>Correct Answer: C) 1, 3, and 4 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The Bharat 6G Vision indeed aims to position India as a global leader in 6G technology by setting a roadmap for research and development in the 6G space.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. While Bharat 6G Vision is ambitious, the timeline for launching 6G services is set for the 2030s, not 2025. The 2025 target is more aligned with 5G deployment and expansion.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. The vision document includes a focus on advanced areas like satellite-based communication, AI-driven networks, and next-generation connectivity solutions.</p> <p>Statement 4 is correct. The Bharat 6G Vision also emphasizes sustainability and energy efficiency, considering the global push towards green technology and reducing the carbon footprint of network</p>

		infrastructure.
6.	A	<p>Correct Answer: (a) 1 and 3 only</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1: Correct. IPPB provides doorstep banking services, especially in rural and remote areas, to enhance financial inclusion. • 2: Incorrect. IPPB does not offer foreign currency exchange services as it is a payments bank. • 3: Correct. IPPB assists in the opening and management of Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) accounts to promote financial inclusion.
7.	C	<p>The correct answer is c) 1 and 3 only.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP): This is an emergency measure introduced by the Delhi Pollution Control Committee in response to severe air pollution levels in Delhi and the National Capital Region. It includes a set of actions that escalate based on the severity of the pollution, including measures like restrictions on construction activities, vehicular emissions controls, and industrial regulations. 2. E-Mobility Plan: While e-mobility and the promotion of electric vehicles (EVs) are crucial for reducing air pollution in the long term, this plan is not a specific, recent initiative solely targeting air pollution control as described in the question. 3. National Air Quality Index (AQI): The AQI is a tool to measure and communicate air quality to the public. It was established to

		<p>help citizens understand pollution levels and their potential health impacts. This initiative helps in managing and addressing air pollution by providing real-time data on air quality.</p> <p>4. National Clean Energy Fund (NCEF): This fund is used for financing research and innovative projects in clean energy technologies. While it contributes to environmental sustainability, it is not a specific initiative aimed directly at controlling air pollution.</p>
8.	B	<p>The correct answer is (b) 2 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect. The Radcliffe Award, which defined the boundary between India and Pakistan, was announced on 17th August 1947, after India gained independence on 15th August 1947.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The Partition of India in 1947 led to the largest mass migration in human history, with millions of people displaced across the newly created borders.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. The Boundary Commission, led by Sir Cyril Radcliffe, was tasked with drawing the borders. However, the commission did not consult the local population extensively before finalizing the borders, leading to widespread dissatisfaction and unrest.</p>
9.	C	<p>Correct Answer: (c) 2 and 3 only</p> <p>1. This statement is incorrect. The Gondwana coals are typically known for their lower calorific value and higher ash content</p>

		<p>compared to other global coals, particularly those from regions like Australia and South Africa.</p> <p>2. This is correct. India's demand for coal has risen due to increased industrial activity and energy needs, leading to higher imports to meet the shortfall in domestic production.</p> <p>3. This is correct. The auctioning process initiated by the government has aimed to boost production by involving private players, which has contributed to increased output.</p> <p>4. This statement is incorrect. While the Clean Energy Cess, now known as the GST Compensation Cess, was initially intended to fund renewable energy projects, it has also been used for other purposes, including compensating states for revenue losses due to the implementation of GST.</p>
10.	C	<p>Answer: c) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The India Semiconductor Mission (ISM) indeed aims to build a sustainable semiconductor and display ecosystem in India. It focuses on boosting domestic capabilities in the semiconductor manufacturing sector, which is crucial for various industries like electronics, telecommunications, and automotive.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: ISM is not an independent initiative but is part of a broader government strategy. It falls under the "Semicon India Program," which was announced by the Government of India to develop a semiconductor and display manufacturing ecosystem in the country.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The mission includes financial incentives and support for companies looking to set up semiconductor fabs and</p>

		display fabs in India. These incentives are designed to attract global and domestic players to invest in the semiconductor manufacturing sector in the country.
11.	D	<p>Correct Answer: D) 1, 2, and 3</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. The Su-30MKI is indeed a fourth-generation fighter aircraft. It was originally developed by the Russian company Sukhoi, and further modifications were done in collaboration with Indian agencies such as HAL (Hindustan Aeronautics Limited).</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. The Su-30MKI is equipped with thrust vectoring engines, which provide superior maneuverability, making it one of the most agile aircraft in the Indian Air Force.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. The Su-30MKI is capable of carrying a variety of weapons, including nuclear weapons, as part of India's strategic deterrence.</p>
12.	D	<p>Answer: (d) 1, 2, and 3</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Reduction in post-harvest losses: Digital tools can streamline the supply chain, ensuring that produce reaches markets faster and more efficiently, thus reducing losses. Increased transparency: Blockchain technology can be used to create transparent and tamper-proof records of transactions, enhancing trust and efficiency in agricultural markets. Enhanced access to credit: With digitized land records and real-time crop monitoring, financial institutions can assess risks more accurately, making it easier for farmers to access loans

		and other financial services
13.	B	<p>The correct answer is (b) 2 only.</p> <p>Statement 1: Incorrect. While the PM-SYM scheme does provide a pension to workers upon reaching 60 years of age, it is not a direct benefit of the e-Shram Portal. However, the portal may help in enrolling workers for such schemes.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. The e-Shram Portal links workers to various state and central government social security schemes.</p> <p>Statement 3: Incorrect. The portal does not directly offer legal aid services.</p>
14.	D	<p>Correct Answer: D) 1 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: Ayushman Bharat provides health insurance coverage of ₹5 lakhs per family per year for secondary and tertiary hospitalization.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: Ayushman Bharat is jointly funded by the central and state governments, not just centrally funded. States have a significant role in the implementation and funding of the scheme.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: The scheme is not exclusive to families below the poverty line. It targets economically vulnerable families identified based on deprivation and occupational criteria as per the Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC) data of 2011.</p>

15.	C	<p>Correct Answer: (c) 2 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect: The AMB Strategy is not exclusive to women of reproductive age and pregnant women. It covers various age groups, including children, adolescents, and women across different life stages.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The AMB Strategy includes the introduction of prophylactic iron-folic acid supplementation for children (6-59 months) and adolescents (10-19 years).</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: AMB includes the promotion of testing and treatment for anemia across various age groups, though it emphasizes specific vulnerable groups.</p>
16.	C	<p>Answer: C) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The CLSS under PMAY provides interest subsidy on home loans for both Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and Lower Income Group (LIG).</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: The interest subsidy under CLSS is available for a maximum loan amount of ₹6 lakh for EWS and LIG. For the Middle Income Group (MIG), the maximum loan amount is ₹9 lakh for MIG-I and ₹12 lakh for MIG-II, but the question is specific to EWS and LIG.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The subsidy is provided upfront on the principal loan amount, reducing the overall loan burden on the beneficiary.</p>
17.	A	<p>Correct Answer: A) 1, 2, and 3 only</p>

		<p>Zoonotic Diseases: A core focus of the mission is to control and prevent zoonotic diseases, as these are diseases transmitted from animals to humans.</p> <p>Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR): The mission also addresses AMR, which is a growing concern as it diminishes the effectiveness of antibiotics, making infections harder to treat.</p> <p>Climate Change: The mission recognizes the impact of climate change on health and aims to mitigate its effects, particularly how changing climates can alter disease patterns among animals and humans.</p> <p>Food Security: While food security is a significant issue, it is not a primary focus of the National One Health Mission. The mission primarily targets the health issues mentioned above, rather than directly addressing food security.</p>
18.	B	<p>Answer: B) 2 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Incorrect. The Indian Penal Code (IPC) was not a result of the Law Commission of India's recommendations; it was drafted by the First Law Commission under the chairmanship of Thomas Babington Macaulay during British rule, before the Law Commission of India in its current form was established.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. The Law Commission was first established in 1955, post-Independence. However, earlier Law Commissions (established by the British) were responsible for many significant legal reforms, including the drafting of the IPC.</p>

		<p>Statement 3: Correct. The Law Commission’s reports are advisory and have no legal standing until their recommendations are accepted and implemented by the Parliament.</p>
19.	B	<p>The correct answer is (b) Statements 1 and 2.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Statement 1 is correct. The Supreme Court in Indra Sawhney vs. Union of India (1992) established the 50% cap on reservations, which is a guideline for ensuring that reservation does not exceed this limit, although there are exceptions in specific cases. Statement 2 is correct. The 124th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2019, introduced a 10% reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) in educational institutions and public employment. Statement 3 is incorrect. The concept of ‘creamy layer’ was introduced by the Supreme Court in the case of Indra Sawhney vs. Union of India (1992) and not through the 86th Constitutional Amendment Act, 2002. The 86th Amendment primarily dealt with the right to education for children.
20.	A	<p>Answer: A) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The National Green Hydrogen Mission indeed aims to position India as a global hub for green hydrogen production and export.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The mission targets setting up green hydrogen production capacities of at least 5 million metric tonnes (MMT) per</p>

		<p>annum by 2030, along with adding renewable energy capacity of around 125 GW in the country.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. The mission includes both domestic consumption and exports as strategic goals, making India a major player in the global green hydrogen market.</p>
21.	D	<p>Correct Answer: (d) 1, 2, and 3</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. Dr. Radhakrishnan's first major work, "The Philosophy of Rabindranath Tagore" (1918), explored the philosophical underpinnings of Tagore's poetry and literature. Dr. Radhakrishnan argued that Tagore's ideas were deeply rooted in Indian spiritual traditions and provided a bridge between Indian and Western thought.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. "An Idealist View of Life" (1932) is one of Dr. Radhakrishnan's most important philosophical works. In this book, he articulated his belief in the synthesis of Western philosophical idealism, which emphasizes the mind and spirit, with Indian spiritualism, which focuses on the transcendental nature of reality.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. "Indian Philosophy" (1923-1927) is a landmark two-volume work by Dr. Radhakrishnan that provides a detailed study of Indian philosophical thought from the Vedic period to the modern era. It is one of the most comprehensive and authoritative texts on Indian philosophy and has been influential in both India and the West.</p>
22.	B	<p>Correct Answer: (b) 2, 3, and 4 only</p>

		<p>Statement 1: Incorrect. The 'National Textiles Mission' does aim to enhance the textile sector but does not specifically target a 10% increase in global market share by 2030. The mission focuses on overall sector growth and modernization.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. The 'Textile Park' scheme, also known as the 'Textile Parks Scheme,' aims to create textile parks or clusters to boost investment, infrastructure, and production capabilities in the textile sector.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. The 'Samarth Scheme' is indeed aimed at skill development and training of workers in the textile sector, particularly targeting the improvement of skills and employment opportunities.</p> <p>Statement 4: Correct. The 'India Handloom Brand' initiative is designed to enhance the branding and marketing of handloom products, both in domestic and international markets, to promote the rich heritage of Indian handlooms.</p>
23.	B	<p>The correct answer is B.</p> <p>Option A: The League of Nations was established by the Treaty of Versailles with a primary objective of maintaining peace and preventing conflicts, rather than focusing on economic cooperation.</p> <p>Option B: The Treaty of Versailles indeed included a provision for the Saar Basin to be placed under French administration for 15 years, after which a plebiscite was held in 1935 to determine its future. The plebiscite resulted in the Saar Basin returning to German control.</p>

		<p>Option C: The Treaty of Versailles did not mandate the immediate disarmament of all major European powers. Instead, it imposed strict military restrictions on Germany, while other powers maintained their military capabilities.</p> <p>Option D: The Treaty of Versailles did not directly abolish the German monarchy or establish a democratic republic. The Weimar Republic was established following the abdication of Kaiser Wilhelm II, which was a separate process from the treaty's stipulations.</p>
24.	A	<p>Answer: A) 1 and 3 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reducing carbon emissions by promoting sustainable urban transportation aligns with the goals of the Smart City Mission, which includes promoting environmentally friendly and efficient transport systems. 2. Increasing the number of megacities is not a specific goal of the Smart City Mission. The mission focuses on improving existing cities rather than creating more megacities. 3. Enhancing urban safety and security through surveillance and monitoring systems is a goal of the Smart City Mission, as it includes improving safety through technological interventions. 4. Developing cities into smart cities without any involvement of local governments is incorrect. The mission emphasizes significant involvement of local governments in the planning and implementation processes.
25.	C	<p>Correct Answer: (c) 1 and 3 only</p>

		<p>Statement 1 is correct. The first HACGAM was indeed held in Tokyo, Japan, and it focused primarily on addressing the rising piracy threat, particularly in the strategic Malacca Strait, which is one of the world's busiest maritime chokepoints.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. HACGAM primarily involves coast guard agencies. While cooperation with other maritime security agencies like navies and customs may occur at the national level, these agencies do not typically participate directly in HACGAM meetings. HACGAM is distinct from other regional maritime security initiatives that might include broader participation.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. One of the recent achievements of HACGAM has been the development of frameworks for joint patrols and coordinated responses to maritime threats, enhancing cooperation across various maritime zones in Asia. This reflects the evolving scope of HACGAM to address diverse maritime challenges through practical cooperation.</p>
26.	B	<p>Correct Option: (b) 1, 3, and 4 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Oral rehydration therapy (ORT): ORT is critical in treating dehydration caused by diarrhea, which is a leading cause of under-five mortality. 2. Iron and folic acid supplementation for pregnant women: While this improves maternal health and indirectly impacts infant mortality, it is not specifically targeted at reducing child mortality from preventable diseases. 3. Rotavirus vaccination: This vaccine prevents rotavirus infections, which are a significant cause of severe diarrhea and

		<p>mortality in children under five.</p> <p>4. Use of insecticide-treated mosquito nets: These nets are highly effective in preventing malaria, a major cause of mortality in children under five in many regions.</p>
27.	B	<p>Correct Answer: (B) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. The Jal Shakti Abhiyan does focus on increasing groundwater levels, particularly in areas with over-exploited groundwater resources. This is achieved through various water conservation structures such as check dams, percolation tanks, and recharge pits, which help in recharging groundwater.</p> <p>Statement 2: Incorrect. There is no specific initiative called the "Jal Shakti Kisan Card" under the Jal Shakti Abhiyan that provides direct financial assistance to farmers for water-efficient practices. While water-efficient agriculture is encouraged, it is not through a financial instrument like a Kisan Card under this campaign.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. The Jal Shakti Abhiyan is strategically timed to operate during the pre-monsoon and post-monsoon periods. This timing is crucial as it allows for the preparation and conservation of water resources before the monsoon and ensures that efforts continue after the monsoon to sustain water availability.</p>
28.	C	<p>Correct Answer: c) 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect: While NRLM aims to include a significant</p>

		<p>number of rural households under the umbrella of SHGs, it does not mandate that at least one member from every rural household must be part of an SHG. The mission focuses on the poor and marginalized sections of society rather than achieving universal household coverage.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: NRLM is a centrally sponsored scheme, which means it is funded by both the Central and State Governments. The Central Government bears a major share of the funding, while the State Governments contribute a smaller portion.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: NRLM indeed integrates with other government programs like MGNREGA and PMAY to provide a comprehensive approach to rural development. This integration helps in creating a synergy between various rural development initiatives, thereby enhancing the overall impact on poverty alleviation.</p>
29.	B	<p>Correct Answer: (b) 1, 2, and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The International Solar Alliance (ISA) was launched to promote the use of solar energy in solar-rich countries that lie between the Tropic of Cancer and the Tropic of Capricorn. However, its membership has expanded to include all UN member countries.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The ISA is a legally binding treaty-based organization. It became a legal entity in 2017 after the required number of countries ratified the framework agreement.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: Initially, the ISA focused on countries within the Tropics, but it has now opened its membership to all UN member</p>

		<p>states, irrespective of their geographic location.</p> <p>Statement 4 is incorrect: The headquarters of the ISA is located in Gurugram, Haryana, India, not in New Delhi.</p>
30.	D	<p>Correct Answer: D) 1, 2, and 3</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. Agni-I has a range of around 700-1,200 km, making it the missile with the shortest range in the Agni series.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. Agni-III, with a range of about 3,500 km, can carry a heavier payload compared to Agni-I.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. Agni-V is the first missile in the Agni series that is canisterized, which allows it to be launched from a mobile platform and provides a higher degree of operational flexibility.</p>
31.	B	<p>Correct Answer: B) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: Exercise Varuna originally started as a bilateral naval exercise but has, over time, evolved to include more complex joint operations, involving not just the navies but also the air forces of both nations. While it primarily remains a naval exercise, elements of air and land forces' cooperation have been integrated into some iterations.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The exercise is indeed part of the strategic partnership between India and France, which was formalized in 1998.</p>

		<p>This partnership has paved the way for deeper defense cooperation, including exercises like Varuna.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: The exercise involves a range of naval assets from both nations, including those that are not indigenously developed. For instance, France often deploys aircraft carriers like the Charles de Gaulle, and India uses various ships and submarines, some of which are not indigenously developed.</p>
32.	C	<p>Correct Option: (c) 1 and 4 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: DigiYatra allows passengers to use their facial biometrics as a "single token" from airport entry to boarding. This system ensures a seamless experience by reducing the need for physical documents at various checkpoints.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: DigiYatra does not integrate with the Central Identities Data Repository (CIDR) or use Aadhaar data directly. Instead, the biometric data is stored locally on the passenger's device and is shared with the airport only for that specific journey, ensuring privacy and security.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: Participation in the DigiYatra initiative is entirely voluntary and not mandatory for all domestic passengers. Passengers can opt to use the traditional methods of check-in and boarding if they prefer.</p> <p>Statement 4 is correct: The DigiYatra initiative started with select airports, such as Delhi and Bengaluru, and is being rolled out in phases to other airports across India.</p>

33.	B	<p>The correct answer is B) 2 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect. MDR-TB cannot be treated using the same antibiotics as regular TB because the bacteria causing MDR-TB are resistant to those antibiotics. Different, often more toxic and expensive, drugs are required for treatment.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The spread of MDR-TB is indeed more difficult to control due to the necessity of using second-line drugs, which are often less effective, more expensive, and require a longer treatment duration, making patient adherence challenging.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. MDR-TB primarily develops due to improper or incomplete treatment of regular TB. This occurs when patients do not take their full course of antibiotics or when the treatment regimen is not properly followed. This allows the TB bacteria to develop resistance to the drugs.</p>
34.	A	<p>Answer: (a) 1 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The Network Planning Group (NPG) is responsible for coordinating national infrastructure projects, particularly ensuring that they are efficiently planned and executed.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. The NPG functions under the PM GatiShakti initiative and is part of the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), which comes under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, but it is not specifically under the ministry itself.</p>

		<p>Statement 3 is incorrect. While the NPG reviews infrastructure projects, its role is broader than just logistics. It ensures the integration of all infrastructure projects for multimodal connectivity, not just logistics.</p>
35.	A	<p>Answer: a) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The NMEO-OP indeed aims to increase the area under oil palm cultivation in both traditional (like Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka) and non-traditional states (like North Eastern states and Andaman & Nicobar Islands).</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The mission aims to reduce India's dependency on imported edible oils and move towards self-sufficiency, though the exact target year might vary; typically, goals like these are aimed towards long-term objectives such as 2030.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: The NMEO-OP does not currently promote or subsidize the cultivation of genetically modified (GM) oil palm varieties. Instead, it focuses on high-yielding varieties and improved agronomic practices.</p> <p>Statement 4 is incorrect: The mission does include the development of processing units, but it is not limited to coastal regions; it encompasses regions where oil palm cultivation is feasible, including inland states.</p>
36.	B	<p>The correct answer is b) 1, 2, and 4 only.</p>

		<p>Statement 1 is correct: The Investor Education and Protection Fund (IEPF) Authority is indeed established under Section 125 of the Companies Act, 2013.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The primary purpose of the IEPF Authority is to promote investor awareness and education. It also facilitates the refund of unclaimed dividends, matured deposits, and debentures, among other amounts, to rightful investors.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: The IEPF Authority does not monitor the use of investor funds by companies. Its primary focus is on investor protection and the refund of unclaimed amounts.</p> <p>Statement 4 is correct: Unclaimed amounts are transferred to the IEPF after seven years. However, investors can still claim their unclaimed dividends or other amounts even after they have been transferred to the IEPF.</p>
37.	C	<p>Statement 1 is correct: The Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar is indeed awarded to children aged between 5 and 18 years.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The award is given in the categories of Innovation, Scholastic Achievements, Sports, Art & Culture, Social Service, and Bravery.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: While the award includes a medal, a certificate, and a cash prize, there is no provision for priority in admission to government educational institutions.</p> <p>Statement 4 is correct: The Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar</p>

		<p>was instituted in 2018, replacing the National Child Award for Exceptional Achievement.</p> <p>Correct Answer: (c) 1, 2, and 4 only</p>
<p>38.</p>	<p>B</p>	<p>Correct Answer: (b) 2 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect: The Quit India Movement was indeed launched in 1942, but it was during the Bombay session of the All India Congress Committee, not at Wardha. The Wardha session laid the groundwork, but the formal launch was in Bombay on August 8, 1942.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The British government responded immediately by arresting key leaders of the Indian National Congress, including Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, and others. This action was taken on the very next day after the resolution was passed.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The Muslim League, led by Muhammad Ali Jinnah, did not support the Quit India Movement. Similarly, the Communist Party of India, which had aligned with the Soviet Union during World War II (an ally of Britain), also did not participate in the movement. The movement primarily saw participation from the Congress and the general public.</p> <p>Statement 4 is incorrect: While the movement was a significant chapter in the struggle for independence, it did not lead to the immediate withdrawal of British forces. The British remained in India for another five years, with India gaining independence in 1947.</p>

39.	B	<p>Correct Answer: (b) 1, 2, and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: Monkeypox is indeed caused by a virus from the same family as the smallpox virus, known as the Orthopoxvirus family.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: Human-to-human transmission of Monkeypox occurs primarily through respiratory droplets, though close contact with an infected person's skin lesions or contaminated materials (like bedding) can also result in transmission. Additionally, the virus can be spread through contact with infected animals.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: While Monkeypox generally has a lower mortality rate compared to smallpox, it can lead to severe complications, especially in individuals with compromised immune systems. This includes more severe rashes, secondary infections, and, in some cases, encephalitis.</p> <p>Statement 4 is incorrect: While vaccines (like the smallpox vaccine) have been shown to be effective in preventing Monkeypox, there is no vaccine specifically developed and widely administered solely for Monkeypox in endemic regions. The smallpox vaccine, due to its cross-protective properties, has been used in certain situations to control outbreaks.</p>
40.	C	<p>Correct Answer: C) 1, 3, and 4 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The NCAP does aim to reduce particulate matter (PM10 and PM2.5) concentrations by 20-30% by 2030 compared to 2017 levels.

		<p>2. The NCAP is a centrally sponsored scheme with significant central government involvement, contrary to the statement.</p> <p>3. The program includes the creation of Air Quality Management Districts in cities with high pollution levels.</p> <p>4. The NCAP includes measures to enhance air quality monitoring and improve data availability.</p> <p>Thus, statements 1, 3, and 4 are correct.</p>
41.	B	<p>The correct answer is: (b) 1 and 3</p> <p>1. Correct: Nuakhai is indeed celebrated during the harvest season and marks the beginning of the new agricultural year. It is a time for farmers to offer their first harvest to the deities and celebrate the bounty of the season.</p> <p>2. Incorrect: While Nuakhai is primarily celebrated by the people of Odisha, it is not limited to any specific tribal community. It is a regional festival enjoyed by people of various communities within Odisha.</p> <p>3. Correct: Traditional dance and music are integral to Nuakhai celebrations, including folk dances like "Dalkhai" and "Rasa," which are performed during the festival.</p>
42.	B	<p>The correct answer is b) 2 and 4.</p> <p>1. Incorrect - While the scheme emphasizes improving school leadership, "School Leadership Development" is not specifically highlighted as a primary strategy under Samagra Shiksha.</p> <p>2. Correct - The scheme does provide for a unified budgetary allocation for elementary, secondary, and higher secondary</p>

		<p>education, streamlining funding across different levels.</p> <p>3. Incorrect - The creation of a dedicated school management committee is not a mandated feature of the Samagra Shiksha Scheme. Instead, it focuses on broader governance and management structures.</p> <p>4. Correct - The scheme emphasizes a decentralized approach to planning and implementation, allowing states and districts to have a significant role in the management and execution of educational programs.</p>
43.	B	<p>Correct Answer: b) 2 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect: The eligibility criterion for land ownership under PM-KMY is up to 2 hectares of cultivable land, not 1 hectare.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The scheme involves equal contributions by the farmer and the government to a pension fund.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The contribution required from the farmer varies based on the age at which they join the scheme. A farmer who joins at an older age, like 30, will need to pay a higher monthly premium compared to a younger farmer who joins at 18, to accumulate the same pension fund by the age of 60.</p> <p>Statement 4 is incorrect: If a farmer dies before reaching 60, the spouse can either continue with the scheme by paying the remaining contributions or opt to exit and receive the accumulated contribution with interest. The spouse does not receive the full pension benefits immediately.</p>

44.	B	<p>The correct answer is (b) 2 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1: Incorrect. The Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (C4) is an initiative under the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), not the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. C4 serves as a platform for law enforcement agencies, allowing them to coordinate and share intelligence and information regarding cyber crimes at a national level.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. C4 also focuses on research and development in cyber forensics, providing necessary tools and expertise to law enforcement agencies to tackle cyber crimes effectively.</p>
45.	D	<p>Correct Option: (d) 1, 2, and 3</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. POSHAN Abhiyaan: Launched in 2018, POSHAN Abhiyaan (National Nutrition Mission) indeed aims to reduce stunting, undernutrition, anemia, and low birth weight among children, adolescent girls, and pregnant and lactating women by 2022. 2. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY): This is a maternity benefit scheme that provides a cash incentive of ₹5,000 to pregnant women and lactating mothers to meet enhanced nutritional needs and partially compensate for wage loss during pregnancy. 3. Mid-Day Meal Scheme: This is a universal scheme where the government provides free meals to school children in classes I to VIII in government and government-aided schools. The scheme aims to enhance the nutritional status of children, especially in

		rural and economically backward regions.
46.	A	<p>Correct Option: (a) 1 and 2 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Statement 1 is correct. The National Food Security Act, 2013 (NFSA) aims to provide subsidized food grains to about two-thirds of India's population to ensure food security. Statement 2 is correct. The NFSA also addresses nutritional security by making specific provisions for pregnant women, lactating mothers, and children through supplementary nutrition and maternity benefits. Statement 3 is incorrect. The NFSA does not guarantee universal food distribution. The act targets specific groups such as economically weaker sections of society, rather than universal distribution irrespective of income level.
47.	C	<p>Correct answer: (c) 1 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. Exercise Yudh Abhyas is an annual joint military exercise, and the location alternates between India and the United States.</p> <p>Statement 2: Incorrect. The focus of Exercise Yudh Abhyas is not limited to counterterrorism. It covers a broad range of military drills, including peacekeeping operations, humanitarian assistance, disaster relief, and conventional warfare.</p> <p>Statement 3: Incorrect. Exercise Yudh Abhyas primarily involves the Indian Army and the U.S. Army, not all three branches of the Indian Armed Forces (Navy and Air Force are not involved)</p>

48.	B	<p>The correct answer is b) 1, 2, and 4 only.</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. The NRF was indeed proposed as part of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 to foster a robust research culture across disciplines.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. NRF aims to encourage contributions from the private sector, including in critical areas like defense, space, and health, to diversify research funding.</p> <p>Statement 3: Incorrect. The Governing Board of the NRF is composed of Indian experts from academia, industry, and government, but not members from international research organizations as part of the formal structure.</p> <p>Statement 4: Correct. A core objective of NRF is to bridge the gap between research in higher education institutions and the needs of industries for economic development and technological advancement.</p>
49.	B	<p>Correct Answer: B) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Kisan Samridhi Sah Yojna aims at enhancing fish production, providing infrastructure, and increasing income for fish farmers and fishers through better technology, financial support, and modernization of fishing infrastructure.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The scheme offers financial assistance to fish farmers to adopt modern aquaculture technologies and improve</p>

		<p>productivity, ensuring sustainable fisheries and aquaculture growth.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. The scheme is designed to cover both inland and marine fisheries, aiming to provide support across various sectors within the fishing community.</p>
50.	C	<p>Correct Answer: (c) 1, 2, and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. One of the key focuses of Digital India is to provide high-speed internet access to rural areas through programs like BharatNet.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. E-Governance is one of the nine pillars of Digital India, which aims to improve the delivery of government services electronically.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. Digital India also aims to empower citizens through digital literacy programs and making digital content available in regional languages.</p> <p>Statement 4 is incorrect. Digital India is not limited to internet connectivity. It also focuses on improving digital infrastructure, e-governance, and digital empowerment of citizens.</p>
51.	C	<p>The correct answer is C) 1 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1: True. BHIM UPI allows both sending and requesting money through the platform.</p> <p>Statement 2: False. The daily transaction limit for UPI may vary but</p>

		<p>typically is INR 1,00,000 per day for most banks, not INR 50,000.</p> <p>Statement 3: True. BHIM UPI offers a USSD-based service (*99#) which can be used for transactions without an internet connection.</p>
52.	D	<p>Answer: (d) 1, 2, and 3</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. NeVA aims to digitize the proceedings of all State Legislatures and make them accessible to the public in real-time, contributing to transparency and public participation.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. NeVA is a part of the larger Digital India initiative, which focuses on bringing all state and central legislative bodies onto a unified digital platform.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. One of the key objectives of NeVA is to eliminate the need for paper records by creating a digital, cloud-based system for legislative business, making the legislative process more efficient and environmentally friendly.</p>
53.	C	<p>The correct answer is (C) 1 and 4 only.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> True: Florence Nightingale gained international fame for her work during the Crimean War, and the award is named in her honor. False: The award was actually instituted in 1973 but is presented by the President of India, not directly by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. False: The award is not restricted to nurses working only in

		<p>India. Indian citizens who have contributed to nursing services can be eligible, irrespective of their location.</p> <p>4. True: The award recognizes contributions in various fields of nursing such as research, education, administration, and patient care, not just hands-on nursing work.</p>
54.	B	<p>The correct answer is (b) 1 and 2 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. Swami Vivekananda introduced the idea of "Vedantic Universalism," asserting that all religions are different paths to the same ultimate truth, promoting religious harmony and acceptance.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. He rejected the notion of Western superiority in religious matters and highlighted India's rich spiritual heritage, particularly the teachings of the Vedas and Vedanta, as valuable contributions to the world.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. Swami Vivekananda's speech was met with immediate attention and praise. His opening words, "Sisters and Brothers of America," received a standing ovation, and his message had a significant impact at the time, rather than gaining recognition only much later.</p> <p>Statement 4 is incorrect. While Swami Vivekananda was concerned with India's poverty and later spoke on the need for economic development, his Chicago speech focused primarily on religious tolerance and the unity of religions. The speech did not explicitly</p>

		address India's economic issues.
55.	A	<p>The correct answer is: A) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The first edition of the Eastern Bridge exercise between India and Oman was conducted in 2009.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The exercise promotes military diplomacy and enhances the strategic relationship between India and Oman.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. The exercise is not part of India's Act East Policy, which focuses on strengthening ties with East and Southeast Asian nations. Oman is located in the Middle East, and the exercise is more aligned with India's West Asia diplomacy.</p>
56.	B	<p>Answer: (b) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. FTAs can indeed lead to trade diversion. This occurs when trade is diverted from a more efficient producer outside the FTA to a less efficient one within the FTA due to preferential treatment within the agreement.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. There is no WTO requirement that FTAs must cover at least 50% of trade between member countries to be considered valid. WTO rules require that FTAs must cover a "substantially all trade" to avoid being considered as trade-distorting, but there is no specific percentage.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. FTAs can include various provisions beyond just trade in goods and services, such as those related to intellectual</p>

		property, environmental standards, and labor rights, depending on the agreement's scope and objectives.
57.	A	<p>Statement 1 is correct -Gurmar is commonly used in traditional medicine for its potential benefits in managing diabetes.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect -The herb is native to INDIA and is primarily used for its anti-inflammatory properties.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct - Gurmar's common name is "sugar destroyer" due to its ability to reduce sugar cravings.</p>
58.	A	<p>The correct answer is: (a) 1 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">Statement 1: Lala Har Dayal was indeed a founding member of the Ghadar Party, which sought to overthrow British rule through an armed struggle.Statement 2: Bagha Jatin was associated with the Anushilan Samiti but was not primarily known for initiating an uprising under that name. His notable contribution was leading the Jugantar Party and organizing armed resistance.Statement 3: Ram Prasad Bismil was involved in the Kakori Train Robbery, not the Kanpur Conspiracy. He was executed for his role in revolutionary activities, particularly for his involvement in the Kakori case. <p>Hence, Correct Answer: (a) 1 & 3 only</p>

59.	C	<p>Correct Answer: (C) 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect: Sonobuoys can be either passive (listening for sounds like submarine propellers) or active (transmitting sonar signals and receiving the echo from objects underwater). Active sonobuoys send out pulses to detect submarines, while passive sonobuoys only listen for sounds.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: Sonobuoys are versatile and can be deployed from both aircraft (such as helicopters and maritime patrol aircraft) and surface ships to detect submarines. Their deployment from the air allows for rapid coverage of large areas.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: Sonobuoys are designed to work in a range of depths, including deep ocean regions. Some models can descend to considerable depths and have variable depth settings to suit the operational requirements of detecting submarines at various ocean layers.</p>
60.	B	<p>Correct Answer: (B) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. PMGSY is indeed a centrally sponsored scheme with the objective of providing all-weather road connectivity to unconnected habitations in rural areas.</p> <p>Statement 2: Incorrect. While the primary aim of PMGSY is to construct rural roads, the scheme does not directly focus on advanced road safety measures like crash barriers and road markings as its core component. The focus is mainly on providing connectivity and basic road infrastructure, not on sophisticated safety features.</p>

		<p>Statement 3: Correct. The program mandates that roads constructed under PMGSY are to be maintained by the respective state governments for a period of at least 5 years (recent updates in guidelines suggest 5 years, not 10 years). However, the long-term responsibility does lie with state governments, making this statement partially correct depending on interpretation.</p>
61.	B	<p>Correct Answer: (B) 2 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect. The Maritime State Development Council (MSDC) is primarily concerned with the coastal states and Union Territories (UTs) with ports. It focuses on maritime-related matters, so not all landlocked states are necessarily part of this council.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The MSDC operates under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways, and its meetings are chaired by the Minister in charge of this ministry. It is the highest advisory body for the development of maritime states in India.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. The MSDC aims to ensure the coordinated development of both major and minor ports, as well as the promotion of inland water transport, which are key components of India's maritime infrastructure and economic strategy.</p>
62.	B	<p>The correct answer is (b) 1, 3, and 4 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The VL-SRSAM is designed to counter aerial</p>

		<p>threats, including enemy fighter jets, helicopters, and missiles.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: The VL-SRSAM can be deployed on both land and naval platforms, making it versatile for maritime as well as coastal defense.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The missile has an effective strike range of around 40-50 kilometers.</p> <p>Statement 4 is correct: The vertical launch system provides a 360-degree interception capability, enabling faster and more accurate target engagement.</p>
63.	A	<p>Answer: A. 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal was indeed formed to resolve the dispute between Karnataka, Maharashtra, and Andhra Pradesh over the Krishna river water.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The Narmada Water Disputes Tribunal dealt with the sharing of the Narmada River waters between Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, and Rajasthan.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: The Cauvery Water Management Authority (CWMA) was set up in 2018 by the Government of India following the orders of the Supreme Court, and not under the Interstate River Water Disputes Act, 1956.</p>

64.	A	<p>The correct answer is: a) 1 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana provides health insurance coverage of up to ₹5 lakh per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. PM-JAY primarily targets the bottom 40% of the Indian population, identified based on the Socio-Economic Caste Census (SECC) data, meaning it does not cover all citizens but focuses on economically vulnerable families.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. PM-JAY is funded both by the central and state governments, with the funding split between them in a pre-determined ratio (60:40 for most states, 90:10 for northeastern and hilly states).</p>
65.	C	<p>Answer: (c) Both 1 and 2</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: Zorawar light tank is equipped with modern technologies like drone integration for reconnaissance and combat support, making it suitable for modern warfare.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: Besides high-altitude areas, the Zorawar tank is designed to support operations in varied terrains, including jungle warfare, ensuring mobility in different combat scenarios.</p>
66.	C	<p>The correct answer is (c) 2 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect because the iDEX scheme is designed to provide support to start-ups and innovation rather than exclusively</p>

		<p>granting funds to research institutions.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct as the scheme aims to foster collaboration between the defence sector and private entities, including start-ups, to develop and prototype new technologies.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect because start-ups and individual innovators are indeed eligible to participate in the iDEX scheme.</p> <p>Statement 4 is incorrect because while the iDEX scheme is managed by the Defence Innovation Organisation (DIO), not the DRDO, it focuses on promoting new technologies rather than just improving existing ones.</p>
67.	B	<p>The correct answer is (b) 1 and 2 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. Rajaraja Chola I (reigned 985-1014 CE) is widely regarded as the greatest Chola ruler, under whom the empire reached its peak in terms of territorial expansion and cultural development.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The Cholas did conduct extensive naval expeditions, including campaigns in Southeast Asia, where they established influence over regions such as the Malay Peninsula and parts of Indonesia.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. While the Chola administration was highly organized, it was not entirely centralized. The Cholas practiced a system of local self-government with extensive use of village assemblies, which allowed for a degree of decentralization.</p>

68.	C	<p>The correct answer is C) 1 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. Port Blair was named after Lieutenant Archibald Blair, a British naval officer who was instrumental in the establishment of the Andaman Islands as a penal colony.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. The Cellular Jail, also known as Kala Pani, was constructed during the British colonial rule, but not during the rule of the British East India Company. It was built by the British Crown after the Company's rule.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. During World War II, the Japanese occupied Port Blair from March 1942 to October 1945.</p>
69.	B	<p>Correct answer: (b) 1, 2, 3, and 4</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: One of the biggest challenges is the need to synchronize the terms of both State Assemblies and the Lok Sabha, which would require significant adjustments and constitutional amendments.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: Organizing elections across the entire country simultaneously would place a massive logistical burden on the Election Commission, including deployment of security and polling infrastructure.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: There is a concern that national issues may dominate election campaigns, potentially overshadowing local or state-specific concerns, which may negatively affect the democratic process at the state level.</p>

		<p>Statement 4 is correct: Constitutional provisions allow for early dissolution of the legislature, which poses a challenge for maintaining the synchronization of elections</p>
70.	B	<p>The correct answer is (b) 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Incorrect While human-to-human transmission has been observed, animal-to-human transmission, particularly from fruit bats, pigs, and possibly other animals, is common. Initial outbreaks were linked to contact with infected animals.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct Fruit bats (also called flying foxes) of the Pteropodidae family are the natural reservoirs of the Nipah virus. The virus is found in their bodily fluids, such as saliva, urine, and feces, and can spread to humans and other animals through direct contact.</p> <p>Statement 3: Incorrect There are currently no licensed vaccines or specific antiviral treatments for Nipah virus infection. Treatment primarily involves supportive care to manage symptoms.</p>
71.	A	<p>Answer: (a) 1 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. Onam is based on the legend of King Mahabali, who was a just ruler loved by his subjects. According to Hindu mythology, Lord Vishnu, in his Vamana avatar, sent Mahabali to the netherworld, but granted him permission to visit his people once a year during Onam.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. Athachamayam marks the beginning of Onam festivities, but the grand royal procession associated with it traditionally took place in Thrippunithura, not Thrissur. Thrissur is</p>

		<p>more known for its Pooram festival.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. Onam is primarily linked to King Mahabali and is a harvest festival, but it is not celebrated to thank Lord Krishna. It is a secular festival in Kerala that brings together people of all religions. The agricultural aspects are tied to the harvest season, but the deity thanked is not specifically Lord Krishna.</p>
72.	B	<p>Correct Answer: (b) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The Startup India initiative was indeed launched in 2016 to promote entrepreneurship by supporting the development of a robust startup ecosystem in the country.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. While the Startup India program does offer a tax holiday, it is for a period of 3 years, not 5 years, subject to certain conditions.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. Startups must be incorporated as a private limited company, a registered partnership firm, or an LLP to be recognized under the Startup India scheme.</p>
73.	B	<p>The correct answer is (B) 1 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. The Ring of Fire is a region encircling the Pacific Ocean with frequent earthquakes and volcanic activity due to tectonic plate boundaries.</p> <p>Statement 2: Incorrect. Shield volcanoes have gentle slopes and are formed by the flow of low-viscosity lava. They are not typically</p>

		<p>explosive.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. Composite volcanoes, also known as stratovolcanoes, consist of layers of lava flows, volcanic ash, and other volcanic debris.</p>
74.	B	<p>The correct answer is B) 1 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The PM Surya Ghar scheme provides central subsidies for solar rooftop systems for residential sectors. While it primarily targets residential installations, commercial sectors may also benefit from related schemes.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. The eligibility criteria for the scheme do not specifically mention an income threshold of Rs. 5 lakhs. The focus is more on promoting solar adoption rather than income-based eligibility.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. The scheme typically covers 20% of the cost of solar rooftop installations, with the possibility of additional state-level incentives that can vary.</p>
75.	B	<p>The correct answer is 1, 2, and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. Typhoons form over warm ocean waters with sea surface temperatures above 26°C, which provide the necessary heat and moisture for their development.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. The Coriolis effect is essential for the rotation and development of typhoons, as it affects the direction of the wind and the cyclone's spin.</p>

		<p>Statement 3: Correct. Typhoons, hurricanes, and cyclones are different names for the same phenomenon, depending on the region where they occur (Western Pacific, North Atlantic, and Indian Ocean, respectively).</p> <p>Statement 4: Incorrect. The Saffir-Simpson scale measures the intensity of hurricanes, not typhoons. Typhoons are measured using similar scales, but the specifics can vary depending on the regional meteorological agency.</p>
76.	B	<p>The correct answer is B) 1 and 4.</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. India Water Week was indeed first held in 2012 with the goal of highlighting the importance of water conservation and management.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. The event is organized by the Ministry of Water Resources, River Development, and Ganga Rejuvenation (now Ministry of Jal Shakti), not the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.</p> <p>Statement 3 is partly correct but not the primary focus. While international cooperation is encouraged, the primary focus is on national water resource management issues and solutions.</p> <p>Statement 4 is correct. The theme of India Water Week changes every year to reflect current water-related challenges and priorities.</p>
77.	B	<p>The correct answer is 1 and 3 only.</p>

		<p>Statement 1 is correct. The Montreal Protocol is an international treaty aimed at reducing and eventually phasing out the use of substances responsible for ozone layer depletion, such as CFCs and halons.</p> <p>Statement 2 is not correct. While CFCs contribute to ozone depletion, the primary process involved is not ozone photolysis but rather ozone destruction through a series of reactions initiated by chlorine atoms released from CFCs. The CFCs are broken down by UV radiation, releasing chlorine atoms which then catalyze the breakdown of ozone.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. The Antarctic ozone hole is a phenomenon that occurs primarily during the Southern Hemisphere's spring due to the presence of polar stratospheric clouds and the release of chlorine and bromine compounds that destroy ozone.</p>
78.	D	<p>Answer: (d) 1, 2, and 3</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The Zabt system, introduced by Akbar, was indeed aimed at improving revenue collection through detailed land measurement and crop classification.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The Ain-i-Akbari, authored by Abu'l-Fazl, is a key historical source that details Akbar's administration, military structure, and other aspects of his reign.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. The Din-i Ilahi was Akbar's attempt to create a syncretic religion incorporating elements from various religions, including Hinduism and Islam.</p>

79.	B	<p>Answer: (b) 2 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect: The SCEP goes beyond renewable energy sources like solar and wind, encompassing a wide range of clean energy technologies, including nuclear energy, carbon capture, hydrogen, and energy efficiency initiatives.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The partnership emphasizes fostering bilateral investments in clean energy technologies, particularly focusing on innovation, finance, and technology sharing.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The SCEP also aims to enhance energy security by improving energy access, affordability, and sustainability, crucial for both nations' economic growth and energy transition.</p>
80.	A	<p>The correct answer is A.</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The PM Vishwakarma Yojana focuses on traditional artisans and craftsmen like weavers, goldsmiths, blacksmiths, and other similar professions, providing them financial support, skill development, and capacity building.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The scheme offers financial credit, including loans, which are collateral-free and come at a subsidized interest rate. An interest rate of 5% is one of the key features for the eligible beneficiaries.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. The scheme is not designed for individuals in high-tech or modern industries such as IT services. It specifically targets those in traditional and heritage crafts.</p>

81.	B	<p>The correct answer is (b) 1 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. General category applicants in rural areas can receive a subsidy of up to 25% of the project cost under the PMEGP scheme.</p> <p>Statement 2: Incorrect. For urban areas, SC/ST/OBC/Women applicants can receive a subsidy of up to 25%, while for rural areas it is up to 35%.</p> <p>Statement 3: Incorrect. There is no specific minimum educational qualification required to apply for the PMEGP scheme, as it is aimed at encouraging unemployed youth and others regardless of educational background.</p>
82.	B	<p>The correct answer is B) 1 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) regulates the prices of medicines sold at Jan Aushadhi Kendras, ensuring that they are affordable and uniformly priced across the country.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: While Jan Aushadhi Kendras primarily sell generic medicines, they are also allowed to sell over-the-counter (OTC) products and certain healthcare and surgical products.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The Bureau of Pharma PSUs of India (BPPI) is indeed the nodal agency responsible for the implementation of the PMBJP, managing the distribution of medicines to the Kendras.</p>

83.	D	<p>The correct answer is (d) 1, 2, and 3.</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. Reflecting telescopes use mirrors and are free from chromatic aberration, a problem faced by refracting telescopes due to the use of lenses.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. Refracting telescopes use lenses, and reflecting telescopes use mirrors.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. Reflecting telescopes can be made larger and lighter because mirrors are easier to support than large lenses</p>
84.	A	<p>Answer: A) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan focuses on the development of tribal-dominated villages, with an emphasis on improving health, education, and creating sustainable livelihood opportunities.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The scheme includes special financial assistance for setting up skill development centers and promoting eco-tourism projects, which can enhance employment and preserve the cultural and natural heritage of tribal areas.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: The scheme is not implemented exclusively by the Ministry of Rural Development. It involves multiple ministries, including the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, and works in coordination with state governments for the overall development of tribal communities.</p>

85.	C	<p>Answer: c) 2 and 3 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Incorrect: The Department of Biotechnology (DBT) operates under the Ministry of Science and Technology, not the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.2. Correct: DBT focuses on promoting research and development in modern biology and biotechnology, including healthcare, agriculture, and industrial applications.3. Correct: The Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC), a not-for-profit organization under the DBT, supports innovation and research in biotechnology by funding startups and small enterprises.
86.	D	<p>Answer:(d) 1, 2, and 3</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Statement 1 is correct: The Price Support Scheme (PSS) is a component of PM-AASHA where physical procurement of pulses, oilseeds, and copra is done by Central Nodal Agencies when market prices fall below the MSP.2. Statement 2 is correct: The Price Deficiency Payment Scheme (PDPS) under PM-AASHA compensates farmers for the difference between the MSP and the market price, where the farmer sells the produce in the open market.3. Statement 3 is correct: The Private Procurement & Stockist Scheme (PPSS) allows states to choose to implement this option where private sector participation is encouraged for procurement of oilseeds.

87.	B	<p>The correct answer is: (b) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1: The Bharatiya Antariksh Station (BAS) is indeed planned by ISRO, but it is not yet launched. This statement is correct.</p> <p>Statement 2: BAS is planned to be placed in low Earth orbit (LEO), not in geostationary orbit. Therefore, this statement is incorrect.</p> <p>Statement 3: The primary objectives of the BAS include conducting scientific experiments and developing technology for space missions, including long-duration human spaceflight. This statement is correct.</p>
88.	C	<p>Correct Option: (c) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The Indus Water Treaty was indeed signed between India and Pakistan in 1960, with the World Bank facilitating the agreement.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: India was not given full rights over the Indus River. The Indus Water Treaty divides the rivers into two categories: the three western rivers (Indus, Jhelum, Chenab) where Pakistan has control, and the three eastern rivers (Ravi, Beas, Sutlej) where India has control.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The treaty categorizes the rivers of the Indus basin into three eastern rivers (Ravi, Beas, and Sutlej) and three western rivers (Indus, Jhelum, and Chenab), with India having rights</p>

		over the eastern rivers and limited usage rights over the western rivers.
89.	B	<p>Answer: B) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The Swadesh Darshan Scheme, launched by the Ministry of Tourism in 2014-15, aims at developing theme-based tourist circuits, such as the Buddhist Circuit, Himalayan Circuit, Coastal Circuit, and others.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The Buddhist Circuit was one of the first thematic circuits under the Swadesh Darshan Scheme. It focuses on enhancing tourist infrastructure at key Buddhist sites to attract both domestic and international tourists.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: The Swadesh Darshan Scheme does not limit eligibility to states with World Heritage Sites. It aims to promote tourism in diverse regions, including lesser-known sites, to boost local economies.</p>
90.	A	<p>The correct answer is (a) 1 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct Harappa and Mohenjo-Daro had a well-planned urban layout, including grid-like streets and an advanced drainage system, which is one of the most remarkable features of the civilization.</p> <p>Statement 2: Incorrect The script used by the Indus Valley Civilization has not yet been deciphered. It is distinct from the Devanagari script, which was developed much later.</p>

		<p>Statement 3: Correct The primary economy of the Indus Valley Civilization was based on agriculture, with evidence of extensive trade networks, including with regions like Mesopotamia.</p>
91.	D	<p>Answer: D. 1, 2, and 3</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. Dr. Verghese Kurien, known as the "Father of the White Revolution," led the White Revolution in India.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. Operation Flood, launched in 1970, was a part of the White Revolution and aimed at increasing milk production and making India self-sufficient in milk.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. The National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) was established in 1965 with the mission of promoting dairy development and managing the White Revolution.</p>
92.	B	<p>Answer: (b) 2 and 3 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Incorrect. World Food India is organized by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries, not the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare. Its main aim is to attract investments in the food processing sector. Correct. The event seeks to attract foreign direct investment (FDI) and create opportunities for collaboration in the food processing industry. Correct. One of the goals of World Food India is to expand India's footprint in the global food market, especially by increasing food exports.

93.	D	<p>Answer: (d) 1, 2, 3, and 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oil spills from ships are a significant cause of marine pollution, leading to devastating impacts on marine ecosystems.• Agricultural runoff often carries pesticides and fertilizers that can result in nutrient pollution and harmful algal blooms in marine environments.• Industrial waste disposal introduces toxic chemicals, heavy metals, and other hazardous materials into the oceans.• Ocean-based tourism and recreational activities, though less discussed, contribute to pollution through plastic waste, litter, and disturbances to coastal and marine ecosystems.
94.	B	<p>Correct answer: (B) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The Global Cybersecurity Index is published by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The GCI evaluates countries based on five pillars: Legal Measures, Technical Measures, Organizational Measures, Capacity Development, and Cooperation.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. The GCI focuses on measuring cybersecurity commitment and preparedness, rather than assessing the specific cyber threats a country faces.</p>
95.	C	<p>Correct Answer: (c) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The Pradhan Mantri Vishwakarma Scheme provides financial assistance to traditional artisans through subsidized</p>

		<p>loans to help them modernize their tools and expand their businesses.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. The scheme is not limited to individuals from Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. It is open to all traditional artisans and craftspeople regardless of their social group.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. The scheme emphasizes skill training and upgradation to enhance productivity and competitiveness of artisans in the market.</p> <p>Statement 4 is incorrect. While financial support is provided, the scheme does not explicitly mention credit-linked insurance as a component.</p>
96.	B	<p>Answer: b) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The scheme offers 300 units of free electricity per month to households installing rooftop solar systems under the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: The subsidy is structured as 60% for the first 2 kW, and 40% for the additional system capacity from 2 to 3 kW. The subsidy is capped at 3 kW capacity.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The scheme is expected to significantly reduce CO2 emissions by around 720 million tonnes over 25 years, contributing to the country's environmental goals.</p>

97.	A	<p>Answer: (A) 1, 3, and 4 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. Kalaripayattu is believed to have originated in Kerala, with a rich tradition dating back over 3,000 years. It is known as one of the oldest fighting systems in existence.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. Kalaripayattu involves not only combat techniques but also incorporates healing practices like "Marma" therapy, spiritual elements, and a holistic approach to training both the mind and body.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. The word "Kalari" refers to a battlefield or a place where the art is practiced or taught, traditionally a training ground for warriors.</p> <p>Statement 4 is correct. Kalaripayattu has influenced classical dance forms like Kathakali and other performance arts, especially in terms of body movements, choreography, and stamina.</p>
98.	A	<p>Correct Answer: A) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The amendment requires platforms to establish a user-friendly appeal mechanism for moderation decisions.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. Regular audits of content moderation practices are mandated to ensure compliance and effectiveness.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. While verification is encouraged, it is not mandatory for all users before account creation.</p>

99.	B	<p>The correct answer is B) 2 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect. Both the central and state governments have the power to levy income tax, but the central government primarily handles it under the Income Tax Act.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. Tax incidence does refer to the economic burden of a tax, which can differ from the party that pays the tax to the government.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. Wealth Tax was indeed repealed in India in 2015.</p>
100	C	<p>The correct answer is C) 1 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. GeM is indeed a platform designed for the procurement of goods and services by government entities.</p> <p>Statement 2: Incorrect. While GeM is encouraged for use, it is not mandatory for all government departments. Some may have specific procurement processes based on their needs.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. GeM incorporates various technologies, including artificial intelligence, to streamline and enhance the procurement process.</p>
101	C	<p>Correct Answer: C) "Touch the Sky with Glory."</p> <p>A) "Service Before Self" This statement is incorrect. While this is a common motto used by various Indian armed forces, it is not</p>

		<p>specifically the motto of the Indian Air Force.</p> <p>B) "A National Force" This statement is incorrect. This phrase does not represent the official motto of the Indian Air Force.</p> <p>C) "Touch the Sky with Glory" This statement is correct. "Touch the Sky with Glory" is the official motto of the Indian Air Force, reflecting its commitment and spirit.</p> <p>D) "Unity in Diversity" This statement is incorrect. This phrase represents India's ethos but is not the motto of the Indian Air Force.</p>
102	A	<p>Correct Answer: A) 1 and 2 only.</p> <p>Statement 1: True. The Treaty of Brest-Litovsk, signed in March 1918, ended Russia's involvement in the war and allowed Germany to concentrate on the Western Front.</p> <p>Statement 2: True. The war led to the collapse of the Austro-Hungarian, Ottoman, German, and Russian Empires, significantly redrawing the map of Europe and the Middle East.</p> <p>Statement 3: False. The Geneva Protocol of 1925 was indeed established to prohibit chemical weapons, but it was enacted after World War I, not before.</p>
103	C	<p>Correct Answer: (c) 1, 3, and 4 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The IDSL aims to highlight the role of sign</p>

		<p>languages in achieving various goals, including the SDGs, such as reducing inequalities (SDG 10) and ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education (SDG 4).</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: Sign languages are not universal. They vary widely across different regions and cultures. Each country or region often has its own unique sign language, much like spoken languages.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) acknowledges the importance of sign languages and requires countries to promote the use of sign languages in public life, education, and services.</p> <p>Statement 4 is correct: According to the World Federation of the Deaf, there are more than 200 distinct sign languages globally, each having its own grammar and syntax.</p>
104	B	<p>Answer: B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Indian rhinoceros is classified as "Vulnerable" under the IUCN Red List, not "Endangered," so statement 1 is incorrect. • Kaziranga National Park in Assam indeed hosts the largest population of Indian rhinoceros, making statement 2 correct. • The Indian rhinoceros is an herbivore and primarily feeds on grasses, leaves, and aquatic plants, so statement 3 is correct. • Poaching for its horn is a major threat due to the high demand for rhino horn in illegal markets, making statement 4 correct.
105	D	<p>Answer: D) 1 only</p>

		<p>Statement 1 is correct: The Goa Maritime Symposium is an initiative by the Indian Navy aimed at fostering maritime cooperation among the littoral states of the Indian Ocean Region (IOR). It serves as a platform to discuss common maritime challenges and strategies to enhance regional security.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: The symposium is organized biennially by the Indian Navy, not annually. There is no direct collaboration with the Ministry of External Affairs for this specific event, although broader foreign policy coordination is essential for the IOR.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: While maritime law enforcement and combating piracy are important topics, the symposium covers a broader range of maritime issues, including capacity-building, maritime domain awareness, and cooperative frameworks to address shared security concerns in the Indian Ocean Region.</p>
106	B	<p>Answer: (b) 2 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Incorrect. The IPEF is not primarily a free trade agreement (FTA). While trade is part of its broader objectives, the framework focuses on cooperation in areas such as clean energy, digital economy, and supply chain resilience, rather than formal FTAs.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. India is one of the 14 founding members of the IPEF, along with countries like the United States, Japan, Australia, and others.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. The core pillars of the IPEF include resilience</p>

		in supply chains, clean energy and decarbonization, tax and anti-corruption, and enhancing the digital economy. These reflect the framework's broader goals beyond traditional trade issues.
107	B	<p>Answer: B) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The Nagar Van Scheme was launched by the Government of India to increase green cover in urban areas by creating urban forests.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: The scheme is implemented by the Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change, not the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: Public participation is a key aspect of the scheme, as it encourages communities and local authorities to take part in the development and maintenance of urban forests.</p>
108	D	<p>Answer: (d) 1, 2, and 3</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The Navika Sagar Parikrama was India's first all-women circumnavigation expedition, showcasing the capabilities of women in the Indian Navy.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The expedition was completed aboard INS Tarini, covering approximately 21,600 nautical miles across the globe.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. One of the main objectives of the Navika Sagar Parikrama was to promote ocean sailing and raise awareness about important environmental issues such as climate change and marine pollution, demonstrating the crew's role as both sailors and</p>

		environmental ambassadors.
109	C	<p>Correct Answer: (c) 1, 2, and 4</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. PM-JAY provides a health cover of ₹5 lakhs per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. The beneficiaries of the scheme are selected based on SECC 2011 data, and it covers both rural and urban poor.</p> <p>Statement 3: Incorrect. PM-JAY is fully funded by the government, and beneficiaries do not need to pay any premium to avail of its benefits.</p> <p>Statement 4: Correct. The scheme covers all pre-existing diseases from the first day of enrollment.</p>
110	A	<p>Answer: A. 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association is indeed an international body composed of parliamentarians from Commonwealth countries. It serves as a forum for promoting parliamentary democracy and development.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: One of the main objectives of the CPA is to enhance democracy, good governance, and the strengthening of parliamentary institutions in member countries.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: The CPA is an independent association and is not directly affiliated with the Commonwealth Secretariat. It operates as a separate entity though it collaborates on issues related to</p>

		parliamentary standards and democratic governance.
111	A	<p>Correct Answer: A) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The Battle of Haifa was indeed part of World War I, fought on 23rd September 1918 between the British Indian forces (mainly cavalry units) and the forces of the Ottoman Empire and its German allies. It was a part of the larger Sinai and Palestine campaign.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The Jodhpur Lancers, Mysore Lancers, and Hyderabad Lancers were key Indian cavalry regiments that played a vital role in capturing the city of Haifa. The victory was one of the last successful cavalry charges in military history, and it showcased the bravery of Indian soldiers.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: The strategic importance of Haifa lay in its harbor and as a communication and supply center. While it was crucial for the Allies, particularly in terms of logistics and communication routes, it was not primarily about securing oil supply routes.</p>
112	D	<p>Correct answer: (d) 1, 2, and 3</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. The Mauryan empire, especially under Chandragupta Maurya and later Ashoka, had a highly centralized form of administration. It was divided into provinces, which were administered by royal princes or governors, and all policies and laws were centrally controlled.</p>

		<p>Statement 2: Correct. Mauryan architecture includes famous structures like the Sanchi Stupa and the Ashoka Pillar at Sarnath, which are notable for their monumental size and detailed carvings.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. Kautilya (Chanakya), a key advisor to Chandragupta Maurya, wrote the <i>Arthashastra</i>, which provided comprehensive guidelines for governance, economy, military strategy, and law, making it an essential text for understanding the administrative policies during the Mauryan period.</p>
113	C	<p>1. Military capability and defense networks: This is a key factor in measuring a nation's power.</p> <p>2. Diplomatic influence: Diplomacy is essential in evaluating a country's reach and effectiveness on the global stage.</p> <p>3. Economic relationships: A nation's economic power and its trade relationships with other countries are critical indicators.</p> <p>4. Cultural influence: Soft power through cultural influence is also considered in the Asia Power Index.</p> <p>Correct answer: (c) 1, 2, 3, and 4</p>
114	D	<p>Correct option: (d) 1, 2, and 3</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana (DAY) targets the upliftment of the poorest through the promotion of livelihoods, covering both rural and urban areas.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The National Rural Livelihoods Mission</p>

		<p>(NRLM) under DAY aims at organizing poor rural women into self-help groups (SHGs) to enhance their income and social security.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. The National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) focuses on promoting skill development, self-employment, and wage employment opportunities in urban areas.</p>
115	D	<p>Answer: D (1, 2, and 3)</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. The Make in India initiative was launched in 2014 with the goal of turning India into a global hub for design and manufacturing across key sectors.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. The initiative actively promotes investment in 25 sectors, including defense, aerospace, pharmaceuticals, automobiles, IT, and electronics, to enhance India's manufacturing capabilities.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. As part of this initiative, the government has worked on improving the Ease of Doing Business at the state level by introducing a ranking system, which encourages states to create a more investor-friendly environment.</p>
116	B	<p>Statement 1: Correct. The National AIDS Control Programme (NACP) was launched in 1992 with the goal of controlling the spread of HIV and mitigating its impact. Since then, NACP has been implemented in multiple phases, improving awareness, prevention, and treatment.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. The National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO) operates under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, leading the</p>

		<p>implementation of HIV/AIDS programs across the country.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. The government provides free anti-retroviral therapy (ART) to individuals living with HIV through government hospitals and NACO's ART centers. This is a crucial part of India's efforts to manage HIV/AIDS.</p> <p>Statement 4: Incorrect. Currently, there is no vaccine available to prevent HIV. The Indian government focuses on prevention through education, awareness, and treatment rather than a vaccine, which remains a scientific goal under research globally.</p> <p>Correct answer: (b)</p>
117	A	<p>Correct answer: (a) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. The PESA Act empowers the Gram Sabha to safeguard and preserve the traditions, customs, cultural identity, and community resources of the people. This is one of the key provisions intended to respect the self-governance of tribal communities.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. The PESA Act makes it mandatory to obtain the recommendation of the Gram Sabha or the Panchayats before any mining lease is granted in the Scheduled Areas. This ensures that local communities have a say in the development activities affecting their area.</p> <p>Statement 3: Incorrect. The PESA Act does not mandate that all members of the Panchayat must belong to Scheduled Tribes. However, it does provide for reservation of seats in the Panchayats for Scheduled Tribes to ensure their adequate representation.</p>

118	D	<p>The correct answer is (d) 1, 2, and 3.</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. The Incredible India 2.0 Campaign promotes niche tourism products, including eco-tourism, aligning with sustainable tourism objectives.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. The Ministry of Tourism regularly organizes events on World Tourism Day to raise awareness about the socio-economic benefits of tourism in India.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. Dekho Apna Desh is a domestic tourism initiative, and while it is not directly launched as part of World Tourism Day, it aligns with the spirit of promoting tourism within India.</p>
119	B	<p>Correct Answer: (b) 1, 2, and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The SSY account can be opened for a girl child who is below the age of 10 years.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: The minimum deposit required is ₹500, and the maximum deposit limit is ₹1.5 lakh per financial year.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The maturity period of the SSY account is 21 years from the date of opening, but partial withdrawal is allowed after the girl reaches 18 years of age for her education or marriage. However, the maturity is 21 years or when the girl gets married, whichever comes earlier.</p> <p>Statement 4 is incorrect: The interest earned under the SSY is tax-free under Section 10 of the Income Tax Act.</p>

120	C	<p>Answer: c) 1 and 3 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Poshan Maah (Nutrition Month) is celebrated every year in September to promote nutrition awareness and action under the Poshan Abhiyaan. Therefore, statement 1 is correct. 2. While Poshan Maah focuses on nutrition and health, improving water conservation practices is not its primary objective. It focuses more on combating malnutrition, particularly in children, pregnant women, and lactating mothers. Thus, statement 2 is incorrect. 3. Activities during Poshan Maah include Poshan Melas, Nutrition Rallies, Village Health, Sanitation, and Nutrition Days, among others. These initiatives aim to raise awareness on the importance of nutrition and ensure community participation. Therefore, statement 3 is correct.
121	B	<p>Correct Answer: B) 1, 2, and 4 only.</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. Supercomputers are indeed designed to perform complex calculations at very high speeds.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. They are used for various high-performance computing tasks, including climate modeling, molecular modeling, and cryptography.</p> <p>Statement 3: Incorrect. The term "supercomputer" does not refer to a specific brand or model but rather to a class of computers that perform at or near the highest operational rate for computers.</p> <p>Statement 4: Correct. Supercomputers can execute billions (or even trillions) of calculations per second.</p>

122	A	<p>Correct Answer: A) 1 and 4 only</p> <p>Statement 1: True. The "Beti Bachao Beti Padhao" scheme was indeed launched in 2015 to combat the declining child sex ratio and to promote the education of girls.</p> <p>Statement 2: False. The scheme not only focuses on the education of girls but also addresses health issues and the importance of their survival and protection.</p> <p>Statement 3: False. The initiative is implemented through a combination of government efforts and partnerships with various stakeholders, including NGOs, but it is not solely dependent on them.</p> <p>Statement 4: True. The scheme aims to create a conducive environment for the education of girls and to promote their rights, ensuring they have equal opportunities.</p>
123	C	<p>The correct answer is: (c) 1, 3, and 4 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: ABDM creates unique Health IDs for individuals.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: The National Health Authority (NHA) does not regulate private healthcare providers but rather implements health initiatives.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: ABDM includes the creation of a health</p>

		<p>registry for doctors and healthcare institutions.</p> <p>Statement 4 is correct: Telemedicine platforms are a key part of ABDM's digital health infrastructure.</p>
124	B	<p>Correct Answer: b) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The DGQA operates under the Ministry of Defence, Government of India.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. The DGQA ensures quality assurance of defence products not just during the manufacturing stage but throughout the lifecycle of the product, including design, development, production, and post-production stages.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. The DGQA is responsible for the quality assurance of defence equipment that is indigenously produced as well as those imported from other countries, ensuring that they meet the required standards and specifications.</p>
125	B	<p>Correct Answer: (b) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The BharatTex Initiative promotes traditional Indian textiles by enabling small-scale weavers and artisans to sell their products directly to global consumers through e-commerce platforms, thereby reducing middlemen and increasing their income.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. The initiative promotes a wide range of traditional textiles, not limited to silk and cotton, but also including handlooms, khadi, wool, and other indigenous fabrics from different regions of India.</p>

		<p>Statement 3 is correct. One of the objectives of the BharatTex Initiative is to encourage sustainable practices in the textile industry, and financial assistance is provided to weavers for adopting eco-friendly technologies and production methods.</p>
126	A	<p>Answer: (a) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: NAFLD refers to the buildup of fat in the liver of people who drink little or no alcohol. It is one of the most common liver disorders in the world.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: NAFLD is closely linked to metabolic risk factors, including obesity, type 2 diabetes, high cholesterol, and metabolic syndrome. These conditions are often found in individuals with sedentary lifestyles and poor dietary habits.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: While NAFLD often starts as a relatively benign condition, it can progress into more serious liver diseases, including Non-Alcoholic Steatohepatitis (NASH), cirrhosis, liver failure, and even liver cancer.</p>
127	C	<p>Correct Answer: C) 1 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. PM MITRA (Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel) Parks initiative is designed to create integrated large-scale and modern industrial infrastructure facilities for the textile sector. The scheme envisions the development of 7 textile parks to encourage the creation of world-class industrial infrastructure.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. The Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS) does, in fact, provide subsidies to the industry. It</p>

		<p>offers capital subsidies to facilitate the upgrading of technology in the textile sector, making the industry globally competitive.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. The Samarth scheme aims to provide skill development training not only to women but to a broad range of participants, including men and disadvantaged groups, in the entire value chain of the textile industry.</p>
<p>128</p>	<p>A</p>	<p>Answer: a) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: Avoiding contact with wild or stray animals, especially in rabies-endemic areas, reduces the risk of being bitten or exposed to the virus.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: Vaccination of pets and domestic animals is an essential preventive measure to control rabies transmission.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: Rabies is not transmitted through water or food; it spreads through direct exposure to the saliva or neural tissue of an infected animal, typically through bites.</p>
<p>129</p>	<p>A</p>	<p>Correct Answer: A) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. Bhagat Singh, along with Batukeshwar Dutt, threw non-lethal bombs in the Central Legislative Assembly on April 8, 1929. This was a symbolic act to protest against oppressive British policies. The bombs were designed to make noise without causing harm, and Bhagat Singh and Dutt made no effort to escape, intending to use the trial as a platform for promoting their revolutionary ideas.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. Bhagat Singh was an active member and one of the prominent leaders of the Hindustan Socialist Republican</p>

		<p>Association (HSRA), a revolutionary group aimed at securing India's independence through armed resistance and socialist principles.</p> <p>Statement 3: Incorrect. The slogan "Inquilab Zindabad" (Long Live the Revolution) was popularized by Bhagat Singh, but it was originally coined by the revolutionary Urdu poet Hasrat Mohani.</p>
130	D	<p>The correct answer is: (d) 1, 2, and 3.</p> <p>Statement 1: Overuse and misuse of antibiotics in humans and livestock are indeed major factors driving AMR, as excessive or improper use encourages bacteria to evolve resistance mechanisms.</p> <p>Statement 2: Bacterial resistance to antibiotics typically occurs through genetic mutations or the horizontal transfer of resistance genes from one bacterium to another, making this statement accurate.</p> <p>Statement 3: AMR leads to treatment failures, which can prolong illness, increase hospital stay durations, raise healthcare costs, and result in higher mortality rates.</p>
131	A	<p>Correct Answer: (a) 1 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This statement is correct. Nuclear reactors generate energy through nuclear fission, which involves splitting the nucleus of heavy atoms like uranium or plutonium. 2. This statement is incorrect. While nuclear fusion is indeed considered safer and has potential to be more sustainable than fission, it is not currently widely used for energy generation.

		<p>Fusion research is ongoing, but it has not yet been commercialized for widespread energy production.</p> <p>3. This statement is incorrect. While Uranium-238 is present in nuclear fuel, the primary fissile isotope used in nuclear reactors is Uranium-235. Uranium-238 is not directly fissile but can be converted into Plutonium-239, which is used as fuel in some reactors.</p>
132	A	<p>The correct answer is (A) 1 and 2 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct. The UIP provides free vaccines listed under the National Immunization Schedule to prevent life-threatening diseases like polio, tuberculosis, and measles.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The program primarily targets infants and pregnant women for immunization to ensure the prevention of diseases in the most vulnerable groups.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect. While UIP was launched in 1985, the measles vaccine was already part of the program but was not introduced specifically in that year. The introduction of newer vaccines has occurred over the years, such as vaccines for rotavirus and pneumonia.</p> <p>Statement 4 is incorrect. The UIP is funded by the Government of India. While WHO provides technical assistance, the program itself is not fully funded by the WHO.</p>
133	C	<p>The correct answer is (c) 1 and 3 only.</p>

		<p>Statement 1 is correct. The <i>Sabki Yojna Sabka Vikas</i> Abhiyan aims at preparing Gram Panchayat Development Plans (GPDs) by involving local communities to promote inclusive and participatory planning at the grassroots level.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect. The campaign actually emphasizes the inclusion of marginalized sections of society, including women, Scheduled Castes (SCs), and Scheduled Tribes (STs), ensuring their active participation in the planning process.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. The campaign is conducted annually across all Gram Panchayats in India to promote decentralized planning and to ensure that local needs and priorities are reflected in the development plans.</p>
134	B	<p>Answer: (b) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: The Defence Accounts Department (DAD) is responsible for payments including salaries, pensions, and other financial management of the defence forces.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: The Defence Accounts Department operates under the Ministry of Defence, not the Ministry of Finance.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: The Controller General of Defence Accounts (CGDA) is the head of the DAD, which is responsible for auditing and managing defence expenditure.</p>
135	B	<p>Correct Answer: (b) 1, 3, and 4 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. The Rigveda is the oldest and contains hymns</p>

		<p>praising various deities like Agni, Indra, and Varuna.</p> <p>Statement 2: Incorrect. The Samaveda is focused on melodies (chants) and is used during rituals, not prose compositions. It primarily adapts verses from the Rigveda to be sung during sacrifices.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. The Atharvaveda includes hymns, incantations, charms, and spells that were believed to have magical effects, particularly for healing and protection.</p> <p>Statement 4: Correct. The Yajurveda provides the formulas and instructions for rituals and sacrifices, making it essential for conducting ceremonies.</p>
136	A	<p>Correct Answer: A) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. The Persian language was widely used for administration, culture, and literary purposes during the Mughal period.</p> <p>Statement 2: Correct. Abu'l Fazl was a prominent historian in Akbar's court, and he authored "Akbarnama," which includes the "Ain-i-Akbari."</p> <p>Statement 3: Incorrect. The translation of Indian epics such as the Mahabharata into Persian (Razmnama) was initiated during the reign of Akbar, not Jahangir.</p>

137 .	C	<p>Correct Answer: (c) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: Coral reefs are often referred to as the "rainforests of the sea" because they support an extraordinary diversity of life. Though they occupy less than 1% of the ocean floor, they are home to approximately 25% of all marine species.</p> <p>Statement 2 is incorrect: While the deep sea does lack sunlight, it does not lack biodiversity. Many species, including deep-sea fish, invertebrates, and microbes, have adapted to survive in extreme conditions such as high pressure and low temperatures. The biodiversity in these regions is substantial, even though it relies on chemosynthesis or other non-photosynthetic processes.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct: Mangroves are highly productive ecosystems that provide critical habitat for marine life. They also act as important carbon sinks by trapping and storing carbon in their biomass and soil, playing a crucial role in mitigating climate change.</p>
138 .	D	<p>Correct Answer: (d) 1, 2, and 3</p> <p>Statement 1: The Dashavatara Temple at Deogarh is indeed one of the earliest surviving Hindu stone temples, and it belongs to the Gupta period. It is a classic example of early temple architecture in North India. Hence, this statement is correct.</p> <p>Statement 2: The Gupta period is known for its contribution to rock-cut architecture, particularly Buddhist cave temples. The Ajanta and Ellora caves, though not exclusively Gupta creations, were</p>

		<p>significantly developed during and after the Gupta period. Hence, this statement is correct.</p> <p>Statement 3: The iron pillar in Delhi, erected during the Gupta period (most likely under the reign of Chandragupta II), is famous for its rust-resistant properties. This is considered one of the technological and architectural achievements of the period. Hence, this statement is correct.</p>
139	A	<p>Correct Answer: (a) 1 and 2 only</p> <p>Statement 1 is correct: CPENGRAMS is managed by the Department of Pension & Pensioners' Welfare (DoPPW), which is responsible for facilitating the redressal of grievances related to pensions for retired central government employees.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct: Pensioners can file grievances and track their status online using CPENGRAMS, which helps improve transparency and accountability in addressing issues.</p> <p>Statement 3 is incorrect: CPENGRAMS primarily caters to Central Government pensioners but also allows certain grievances from other categories like public sector pensioners, not exclusively for central government pensioners.</p>

140 .	B	<p>The correct answer is: (b) 1, 3, and 4 only</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Correct – Swachh Vayu Diwas is observed annually to create awareness on air pollution and clean air. The date is correct. 2. Incorrect – The initiative does not focus exclusively on industrial emissions but addresses multiple sources of air pollution, including transportation, construction, and household sources. 3. Correct – The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) is indeed the leading body for many environmental initiatives, including Swachh Vayu Diwas. 4. Correct – The National Clean Air Program (NCAP) under this initiative targets a reduction in PM10 and PM2.5 concentrations by 30-40% by 2024 in non-attainment cities
141 .	D	<p>Answer: (d) 1, 2, and 3</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Correct: The Coast Guard undertakes anti-smuggling operations in Indian waters to prevent illegal activities. 2. Correct: It plays a significant role in disaster response, especially in coastal and marine areas during natural disasters like cyclones or tsunamis. 3. Correct: Safeguarding critical Indian maritime assets, such as oil rigs, is one of its key functions.
142 .	C	<p>Correct Answer: (C) 1 and 3 only</p> <p>Statement 1: Correct. ISRO's Venus Orbiter Mission (also called "Shukrayaan-1") aims to study the atmosphere, surface processes, and dynamics of Venus, along with its surface composition. One of the key</p>

		<p>goals is to explore how the planet's atmosphere and surface interact.</p> <p>Statement 2: Incorrect. ISRO's Venus mission will not be the first mission to explore Venus. Several missions by other space agencies, including NASA (Mariner and Pioneer missions) and the Soviet Union's Venera series, have already studied Venus in detail.</p> <p>Statement 3: Correct. One of the objectives of the Venus Orbiter Mission is to study the interaction of the solar wind with the Venusian atmosphere, which can provide insights into how Venus evolved and lost most of its water.</p>
143	B	<p>The correct answer is (b) 2 and 3 only.</p> <p>Statement 1 is incorrect. The Cigarettes and Other Tobacco Products Act (COTPA) mandates health warnings on 85% of tobacco packaging, not 40%.</p> <p>Statement 2 is correct. The National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP) was indeed launched in 2007-08 to spread awareness and reduce tobacco demand.</p> <p>Statement 3 is correct. India has ratified the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC), which sets out global measures for tobacco control.</p>