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1) Fill in the blanks:-

“If the central bank and the RBI are working against each other, then as the government cuts taxes, the central bank must”

(Select the most appropriate option)

- (A) sells government bonds
- (B) lowers the discount rate
- (C) increases the money supply
- (D) decreases the legal reserve requirements

2) A deficit budget restricts the private sector’s ability to raise capital.” This restriction is due to the:-

- (A) high taxes
- (B) high bond prices
- (C) high interest rates
- (D) central bank bond purchases

3) Assertion (A):- In the case of India, “balance of invisibles” is positive.

Reason (R):- India is a net exporter of services and is the largest recipient of remittances in the world.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (B) Both A and R are true but R is not a correct explanation of A
- (C) A is true but R is false
- (D) A is false but R is true

4) A/Anis a detached underwater elevation with shallow depths. Often projecting close to the water’s surface, it poses significant risks to navigation due to its moderate height.

- (A) Reefs
- (B) Shoal
- (C) Atoll
- (D) Canyons

5) Under the current legal framework, violation of which of the following laws amount to “environmental category” crime in India?

1. The Forest Act, 1927.
2. Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.
3. Biological Diversity Act, 2002.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:-

- (A) 2 only
- (B) 1 and 2
- (C) 2 and 3
- (D) All of the above

6) Diversity of Habitats over the total geographical area is:-

- (A) Alpha Diversity
- (B) Beta Diversity
- (C) Delta Diversity
- (D) Gamma Diversity

7) The major reservoir for phosphorous is:-

- (A) Aquifers
- (B) Soils and rocks
- (C) Atmosphere
- (D) Clouds

8) Consider the following statements regarding the Census of India:

1. The Census of India has been conducted 6 time till now.
2. The 1948 Census of India Act does not bind the Union Government to conduct the census on a particular date or to release its data in a notified period.
3. The Census of India is conducted by the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

9) Fill in the blanks:-

One of the key aspect of the age was the reduction in size of well-established tool types also known as MICROLITH.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) Palaeolithic age
- (B) Mesolithic age
- (C) Neolithic age
- (D) Chalcolithic age

10) 'Gelund, Eran and Nevas' are important sites of which age?

- (A) Palaeolithic age
- (B) Mesolithic age
- (C) Chalcolithic age
- (D) Neolithic age

11) Identify the School of Architecture from the following clues:-

1. Most of the temples are east facing.
2. A unique feature of this school is the presence of step-tank known as Surya-kund in the proximity of the temple.
3. The step of tanks are full of small temples.
4. Porticos have decorative arched gateways known as torans.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) Odisha School
- (B) Khajuraho School
- (C) Solanki School
- (D) Vijaynagar School

12) How many statement(s) is/are correct?

1. Taxation is an effective tool to reduce the Inequalities of income.
2. Surplus Budget is preferred during periods of "Deflation".
3. Expenditure on Pension by the government is an example of Revenue Expenditure.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) One Statement only
- (B) Two Statements only
- (C) All of the above
- (D) None of the above

13) Assertion (A):- The emergence of economic globalism does not imply the decline of socialist ideology.

Reason (R):- The ideology of socialism believes in universalism and globalism.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (B) Both A and R are true but R is not a correct

explanation of A

- (C) A is true but R is false
- (D) A is false but R is true

14) In Financial term "Haircut" denotes:-

- (A) Difference between the Amount of the loan and the interest paid
- (B) Difference between current market value of the loan and future market value of loan considering inflation rate.
- (C) Difference between the amount of the loan and market value of an asset used as loan collateral
- (D) Difference between the amount of the loan and value of asset purchased from that loan.

15) How many statements is/are correct regarding Bond, Coupon rate and Bond Yield:-

1. When a bond's price declines, its yield rises.
2. Despite a bond's fixed coupon rate, its secondary market price can vary.
3. A bond's coupon rate represents the regular payments received by the holder.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) One Statement only
- (B) Two Statements only
- (C) All of the above
- (D) None of the above

16) What is the duration (maximum) for which a person who becomes CAG at the age of 59 can hold the office (consider reappointment, if any)?

- (A) 3 years
- (B) 4 years
- (C) 6 years
- (D) 5 year

17) Commissioner for Linguistic Minorities has his headquarters at:-

- (A) Allahabad
- (B) New Delhi
- (C) Belgaum
- (D) Lucknow

18) Which of the following statements regarding Articles 25 to 28 (Right to Freedom of Religion) is correct?

- (a) Article 25 grants every person the right to propagate their religion but not to convert others.
- (b) Article 26 allows religious institutions to acquire property and administer it according to their faith without government interference.
- (c) Article 27 prohibits the use of state funds for religious purposes, such as pilgrimages.
- (d) Article 28 completely prohibits the teaching of religion in any educational institution in India.

19) Which one of the following statements is/are correct with respect to WPI and CPI:-

- 1. WPI gives more weight to manufactured goods, CPI gives more weight to food items.
- 2. WPI does not capture changes in the prices of services, CPI does.
- 3. The Central Statistics Office (CSO) publishes CPI data every month.
- 4. The Economic Adviser in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry reports the wholesale price index monthly.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

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

20) When the Real Effective Exchange Rate (REER) of a country appreciates, which of the following outcomes is accurate:-

- (A) Imports into the country will decline.
- (B) There will be no effect on trade.
- (C) Exports will gain competitiveness.
- (D) Competitiveness of exports will diminish.

21) It is a tax levied on spot currency conversions, with the intention of disincentivizing short-term currency speculation:-

Aforementioned statement refers to:-

- (A) Tobin Tax
- (B) Windfall Tax

- (C) Corporate Income Tax
- (D) Perquisite Tax

22) These are dry, dust laden winds flowing from Saharan Desert towards Guinea coast and provide welcome relief from the damp air. Which of the following are these winds?

- (A) Sirroco
- (B) Harmattan
- (C) Bora
- (D) Mistral

23) Given hints refers to which of the following:-

- 1. It has an element of surprise.
- 2. It is an informal device
- 3. Prior notice is not required for raising the matter
- 4. It is not mentioned in the Rule of Procedure

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) Calling attention Motion
- (B) Adjournment motion
- (C) No-Confidence Motion
- (D) Zero Hour

24) Which of the following act distinguished between the 'commercial and political function' of the company?

- (A) Regulating Act of 1773
- (B) Pitt's India Act of 1784
- (C) Charter Act of 1833
- (D) Charter Act of 1853

25) Which one among the following is NOT the ground for defection? (Select the most appropriate one)

- (A) If an elected member voluntarily gives up his membership of a political party.
- (B) If any independently elected member joins any political party.
- (C) If any nominated member joins any political party.
- (D) All of the above

26) How many statement(s) is/are correct regarding “Right to Property as legal Right”?

1. In case of violation, aggrieved person can move the High Court under article 226.
2. It protects private property against executive action.
3. When the State acquires the property of a minority educational institution then there is a provision of Guaranteed Right to Compensation.

Which of the above statement is/are correct?

- (A) One Statement only
- (B) Two Statements only
- (C) All of the aforementioned statements given are correct
- (D) None of the above

27) The French got the site of Pondicherry from the:-

- (A) Adilshahi Sultan of Bijapur
- (B) Ruler of Chandranagar
- (C) Shyista Khan, the Mughal Viceroy in the Deccan
- (D) Qutubshahi Sultan of Golconda

28) Consider the following statements regarding UPSC:-

1. Cadre Management falls under the purview of UPSC.
2. Parliament can exclude posts, services and matters from the purview of the UPSC.

Which of the statements given above is/are INCORRECT?

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

29) Which of the following is correct regarding Giffen goods?

- (A) The demand of Giffen goods decreases with an increase in their prices.
- (B) The demand of Giffen goods increases with an increase in their prices.
- (C) The demand of Giffen goods does not change with a change in their prices.
- (D) The demand of Giffen goods increases with a decrease in their prices.

30) It Offers (foreign) investors insurance against non-commercial risk (such as political instability, regime change etc.). This helps 3rd world nations attract foreign investment.

Aforementioned statement refers to:- (Select the most appropriate option)

- (A) International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)
- (B) International Development Association (IDA)
- (C) Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency (MIGA)
- (D) International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID)

31) The port of Bengal which was called by the Portuguese “the Grand Port” was:-

- (A) Satgaon
- (B) Chittagong
- (C) Hughli
- (D) Chandradwip

32) This trailblazing woman was the first female admitted to the University of Dhaka, a freedom fighter who joined Subhas Chandra Bose’s Forward Bloc, and an ardent advocate for women’s education. She founded Jayasree, the first magazine entirely managed and contributed to by women. A member of the Constituent Assembly, she played a significant role in shaping India’s socio-political landscape during and after independence.

Question:

Who among the following is the personality described in the passage?

- (a) Sarojini Naidu
- (b) Leela Roy
- (c) Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay
- (d) Sucheta Kriplani

33) Consider the following statements regarding Begum Aizaz Rasul:

1. She was the only Muslim woman member of the Constituent Assembly of India.
2. She played a significant role in the abolition of zamindari during post-independence land reforms.
3. She was the first woman to serve as the Muslim woman President of the Indian National Congress.
4. She authored a book titled From Purdah to Parliament.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four

34) Assertion (A): The Treaty of Tordesillas in 1494 divided the non-Christian world between Portugal and Spain.

Reason (R): The Treaty of Tordesillas aimed to prevent conflicts between Portugal and Spain over newly discovered lands and trade routes.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) Both Assertion and Reason are correct, and the Reason is the correct explanation for the Assertion.
- (B) Both Assertion and Reason are correct, but the Reason is not the correct explanation for the Assertion.
- (C) Assertion is correct, but Reason is incorrect.
- (D) Assertion is incorrect, but Reason is correct.

35) Recently, Government of India has provided 'Production Linked Incentive (PLI)' to 'white goods' industry. 'White goods' include:-

- (A) stainless steel and aluminium utensils
- (B) milk and milk products
- (C) items purchased for conspicuous consumption
- (D) soaps, detergents and other mass consumption goods

36) Which of the following statement is INCORRECT regarding Blue-Chip Companies/Stocks?

- (A) Blue-chip stocks have a lower risk factor than other types of equities.
- (B) In India, profits made from blue-chip stocks are

taxed as income

- (C) It is possible to invest directly in blue chip firms by purchasing their shares.
- (D) None of the above statements are INCORRECT.

37) The 'Karnataka Method' was one of the strategies used in the Quit India Movement. It refers to:-

- (A) The urban revolt marked by strikes, boycotting and picketing.
- (B) The establishment of parallel government.
- (C) The propaganda activities undertaken by various means, such as radio station being run by Usha Mehta.
- (D) The sabotage activities undertaken by the peasants.

38) Consider the following statements regarding the "No Confidence Motion" in the Indian Parliament:

1. It can be moved against both the Council of Ministers and individual ministers.
2. It must be supported by at least 50 members of the Lok Sabha to be taken up for discussion.
3. If passed, it leads to the resignation of the entire Council of Ministers.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

39) How many statements is/are correct regarding "Nidhi Companies"?

1. Nidhi Company is a type of Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFCs).
2. They don't need RBI license but need approval under the Companies Act.
3. Nidhi Company can't deal with chit funds.
4. Only individual members are allowed in Nidhi companies and it cannot give loans to companies.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) All of the above
- (B) One Statement only
- (C) Two Statements only
- (D) Three Statements only

40) Which one of the following statements is INCORRECT?

- (A) Harappans made cotton and woollen textiles
- (B) Several examples of cotton thread and cloth were identified on copper tools
- (C) The uniform thickness and uniformity of the weave suggest the use of spinning wheels
- (D) Cotton was imported from Mesopotamia

41) The concept of 'Anuvrata and Mahavrata' was advocated by:-

- (A) Mahayana Buddhism
- (B) Hinayana Buddhism
- (C) Jainism
- (D) Lokayata darshan

42) Consider the following statements about the Delimitation Commission in India:

- 1. It is a Constitutional Body established under Article 82.
- 2. It is responsible for redrawing the boundaries of parliamentary and assembly constituencies.
- 3. The Delimitation Commission's orders are binding and cannot be challenged in a court of law.

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

43) Consider the following statements about "Sankhya Philosophy":-

- 1. It rejects performance of sacrifices.
- 2. It believes in the existence of soul.
- 3. Maharishi Kanada is the founder of this school.

Which of these is/are correct?

- (A) 1 and 2
- (B) 1 and 3
- (C) 1 only
- (D) All of the above

44) Consider the following statements regarding similarities between Jainism and Buddhism:-

- 1. Both believed in existence of God

- 2. Both condemned Varna System
- 3. Both believed in the transmigration of soul

Which of the following is/are correct?

- (A) 1 only
- (B) 2 and 3
- (C) None of the above
- (D) All of the above

45) Consider the following statement(s) regarding Buddhist Councils:-

- 1. Buddha was alive during First Buddhist Council.
- 2. Final Version of Tripitaka was completed in the Second Buddhist Council.
- 3. Mahayana Buddhism came into existence during Third Buddhist Council.

Which of the above statement is/are correct?

- (A) 1 only
- (B) 2 and 3
- (C) All of the above
- (D) None of the above

46) Arrange the following in correct chronological order:-

- 1. Tulsidas
- 2. Ramanand
- 3. Ramanuj
- 4. Guru Nanak

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) 1 2 3 4
- (B) 3 2 4 1
- (C) 1 2 4 3
- (D) 1 3 2 4

47) Both FDI and FII are related to investment in a country. Which of the following is INCORRECT regarding FDI and FII?

- (A) FDI allows for management control in the invested company, while FII does not provide such control.
- (B) FDI enhances a country's productivity, while FII increases its capital.
- (C) FDI is considered to be more stable than FII. FII can be withdrawn even at short notice.
- (D) All of the aforementioned statements are correct.

48) 'Iwan' as terminology means:-

- (A) A terminology of Islamic architecture
- (B) A religious designation in Islam.
- (C) A tax under Slave dynasty.
- (D) A piece of land

49) How many statements(s) is/are correct with respect to Inflation?

- 1. Inflation benefits the debtors.
- 2. Inflation benefits the bondholders.
- 3. Inflation benefits Creditors.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (A) None of the above
- (B) All of the above
- (C) One Statement only
- (D) Two Statements only

50) Why would an increase in interest rates lead to more speculative buying of the Chinese currency?

- (A) this is incorrect, speculators don't care about the interest rate
- (B) if the interest rate rises foreigners will want to invest in Chinese bonds and so will buy Chinese currency to do so, increasing its price
- (C) a higher interest rate increases exports, increasing the demand for the Chinese currency, increasing its price
- (D) this is incorrect, a higher interest rate decreases bond prices so speculators will stay away

51) Which of the following statement is correct?

Theoretically,

- (A) Balance of Trade is always equal (Zero)
- (B) Balance of Trade is always positive (Favourable)
- (C) Balance of Capital is always equal (Zero)
- (D) Balance of payment is always equal (Zero)

52) Assertion:- Recovery of loan is a capital receipt.

Reason:- Capital receipts are defined as those receipts which either create a liability or cause a reduction in the assets.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:-

- (A) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
- (B) Both A and R are true but R is NOT the correct explanation of A.

(C) A is true but R is false.

(D) A is false but R is true.

53) A stimulating dose of fiscal policy can be applied either by increasing government spending or by decreasing taxes. For most people the main reason for preferring former to the latter is:-

- (A) a belief that one is easier to do than the other
- (B) a belief that one is faster to enact than the other
- (C) a belief that one has a larger multiplier effect than the other
- (D) a subjective preference for larger or smaller government activity

54) The money multiplier tells us the ultimate increase in:-

- (A) the income level due to an increase in the money base
- (B) the money supply due to an increase in the money base
- (C) the money supply due to an increase in the income level
- (D) the income level due to an increase in the money supply

55) How many pair(s) is/are correctly matched?

- 1. Substitute Goods:- Car and Petrol
- 2. Complementary Goods:- Rice and Wheat
- 3. Inferior Goods:- Demand decreases with an increase in Income

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) One Pair Only
- (B) Two pairs Only
- (C) Three Pairs Only
- (D) None of the above

56) Consider the following matches of important officials in the Mughal Empire and their responsibilities:-

- 1. Diwan-i-Ariz – Treasurer
- 2. Diwan-i-Rasalat: Army Commander
- 3. Karkuns: Engineering structures
- 4. Diwan-i-Insha: Minister for Communications

Select the correct answer using the codes below: -

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

57) "Prem Vatika", poems on the life of Krishna, was composed by:-

- (A) Bihari
- (B) Surdas
- (C) Raskhan
- (D) Kabir

58) Which of the following Countries constitutes Fergana valley:-

- 1) Kyrgyzstan 2) Tajikistan
- 3) Uzbekistan 4) Iran
- 5) Azerbaijan

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- A) 1 and 2
- B) 2, 3, 4 and 5
- C) 1, 2 and 3
- D) All of the above

59) El Niño is a complex ocean-atmosphere interaction characterized by the disruption of normal oceanic conditions in the Pacific. During El Niño, the thermocline in the eastern Pacific Ocean becomes less pronounced, allowing warmer waters to dominate and significantly altering marine ecosystems.

What is the correct term for the physical oceanographic process that facilitates this phenomenon?

Options:

- (A) Stratification Collapse
- (B) Thermocline Deepening
- (C) Upwelling Shutdown
- (D) Oceanic Convergence

60) Based on the following temperature and precipitation data for a hypothetical location, identify the most likely city:-

- 1. Mean monthly temperature: 28–32°C
- 2. Annual rainfall: 2,500 mm, evenly distributed
- 3. High humidity throughout the year

Options:

- (a) Manaus, Brazil
- (b) Bamako, Mali
- (c) Kolkata, India
- (d) Windhoek, Namibia

61) Consider the following statements regarding certain Indian national parks and their unique flora and fauna:-

- 1. Nokrek National Park in Meghalaya is home to the endangered red panda and contains one of the last remaining gene pools of wild citrus.
- 2. Clouded Leopard National Park in Tripura is named after its flagship species, the clouded leopard, but also supports the endangered Hoolock Gibbon.
- 3. Desert National Park in Rajasthan is an arid ecosystem that provides critical habitat for the Great Indian Bustard and supports diverse reptilian fauna like the Indian spiny-tailed lizard.
- 4. Papikonda National Park in Andhra Pradesh is known for its tropical forests and houses endemic species like the Indian golden gecko.

Options:

- (A) Only 1 and 2 are correct
- (B) Only 1 and 3 are correct
- (C) Only 3 and 4 are correct
- (D) Only 1, 3, and 4 are correct

62) Consider the following statement regarding International Court of justice

- 1) It has jurisdiction over an individual but only if accused of war crimes.
- 2) Headquarter of International Court of Justice is located in The Hague, Netherlands.
- 3) Cases of criminal nature can be argued in this court

Which of the above statements is/are correct:-

- A) 1 and 2
- B) 2 only
- C) 2 and 3
- D) None of the above

63) With reference to the monsoon mechanism in India, consider the following statements:

- 1. The monsoon winds in India originate primarily due to the eastward movement of the trade winds over the Arabian Sea.
- 2. The Intertropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) generally shifts southwards during the Indian summer, causing the onset of monsoon rains.
- 3. The La Niña phenomenon typically weakens the monsoon by decreasing sea surface temperatures in the eastern Pacific Ocean.

How many of the statements given above are correct?

- A) Only one statement is correct
- B) Only two statements are correct
- C) Only three statements are correct
- D) All statements are incorrect

64) Assertion (A): The same face of the Moon is always presented to the Earth.

Reason (R): Spinning period of the Moon is the same as the time it takes for the Moon to orbit around the Earth.

Select the correct code:

- (A) Both A and R are individually true and R is the Correct explanation of A.
- (B) Both A and R are individually true but R is not the correct explanation of A
- (C) A is true but R is false
- (D) A is false but R is true

65) Consider the following statements regarding the crust of the earth:-

1. The continental crust is younger than oceanic crust.
2. Continental crust is thinner as compared to the oceanic crust.
3. Oceanic crust is composed of Granite rock.

Which of the statement given above is/are INCORRECT?

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

66) How many of the following is/are obtained from Insects?

1. Tussar Silk
2. Honey
3. Lac

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- A) One statement only
- B) Two statements only
- C) Three statements only
- D) None of the above

67) Which of the following National Parks is located closest to the Tropic of Cancer?

- (A) Kanha National Park
- (B) Sundarbans National Park
- (C) Gir National Park
- (D) Keoladeo National Park

68) 'India has people's sovereignty' is reflected best in the statement :-

- (A) Republic nature, i.e. Head of the State is always elected directly or indirectly
- (B) Equality; Absence of special privileges to any section of the society
- (C) Constitution derives its authority from the people of India
- (D) Political Democracy along with social and economic democracy

69) Consider the following statements regarding Vedanta Philosophy:-

1. The oldest text that formed the basis of this philosophy was Brahmasutra of Badrayana
2. Shankaracharya is an important contributor to this philosophy.
3. The Vedanta theory also gave credence to the Theory of Karma.
4. They believed in the theory of Punarjanama or rebirth

Select the correct statement from the codes given below:-

- (A) 1 and 3 only
- (B) 2 and 3 only
- (C) 3 only
- (D) All of the above

70) Identify the Mughal Emperor from the following clues:-

1. He established Karkhanas or workshops where artists developed their own style.
2. Famous Artist Daswant and Basawan belonged to his period.
3. Artists were more focused at depicting the scenes of court life than the life of the masses.
4. Use of 3-Dimensional figures.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) Shah Jahan
- (B) Humayun
- (C) Akbar
- (D) Jahangir

71) "Dvaitadvaita" was propounded by:-

- (A) Shankaracharya
- (B) Ramanujacharya
- (C) Madhvacharya
- (D) Nimbarkacharya

72) Which city was founded by Krishnadeva Raya?

- (A) Warangal
- (B) Nagalapur
- (C) Udayagiri
- (D) Chandragiri

73) "Meenakshi Temple of Madurai" is related to which of the following schools of art?

- (A) Vesara School
- (B) Vijaynagara School
- (C) Hoysala School
- (D) Nayaka School

74) Which of the following painting represents Buddhist beliefs of life and death including "Wheel of Life"?

- (A) Warli
- (B) Thangka
- (C) Manjusha
- (D) Paitkar

75) Which of the following describe the themes of "Mudra Rakshasa by Vishakhdutta"?

- (A) Love Affairs of young Brahmin charudutta with a courtesan
- (B) Love story of Vikram and Urvashi
- (C) Recognition of Shakuntala
- (D) Ascent of king Chandragupta Maurya to power in India

76) Which of the following statements about greenhouse gases is/are correct?

1. Carbon dioxide, methane, and nitrous oxide are greenhouse gases directly emitted into the atmosphere.
2. Ozone is a primary greenhouse gas that contributes to warming in the troposphere but regulates temperature in the stratosphere.
3. Fluorinated gases have a negligible contribution

to global warming due to their low atmospheric concentration.

How many of the above statements are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

77) How many statement(s) is/are correct with respect to Ordinance Power of President:-

1. It can be Retrospective
2. It can modify or repeal other Ordinance
3. It can alter or amend Tax laws
4. It can be used to amend the constitution.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) One Statement only
- (B) Two Statements only
- (C) Three Statements only
- (D) All of the aforementioned statements given are correct

78) Which one of the following 'contradicts' the doctrine of Separation of Power?

- (A) Schemes such as MPLAD
- (B) Parliamentary form of government
- (C) Legislatures cannot discuss the conduct of a judge of the Supreme Court
- (D) Both "A" and "B"

79) Consider the wildlife sanctuaries with their key features or species:

- | Sanctuary | Key Features or Species |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary | a) Grizzled Giant Squirrel |
| 2. Bhagwan Mahavir Sanctuary | b) Indian Pangolin |
| 3. Dibru-Saikhowa Sanctuary | c) Feral Horses |
| 4. Kaimur Wildlife Sanctuary | d) Fossilized Dinosaur Nests |

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched

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

80) Arrange the following National Parks according to their climatic zones (from tropical to alpine):

1. Bandipur National Park
2. Valley of Flowers National Park
3. Sundarbans National Park
4. Dachigam National Park

Options:

- (A) 3-1-2-4
- (B) 1-3-4-2
- (C) 3-2-1-4
- (D) 3-1-4-2

81) A 'Supernova' is:-

- A) An Asteroid
- B) A Black Hole
- C) A Comet
- D) A dying Star

82) Which one of the following is the best definition of the term "bio-prospecting" (Select the most appropriate one)?

- (A) It is the process of absorbing excess carbon dioxide from atmosphere using metallic compounds.
- (B) It is the systematic use of non-native flora and fauna in other places to increase biodiversity.
- (C) It is the use of gene alteration method to make micro-organisms effective against insects and mites.
- (D) It is the search for biochemical and genetic information in nature to develop commercially-valuable products.

83) Allen's rule in Ecology refers to:-

- (A) Mammals from colder climates have shorter ears and limbs to minimize heat loss.
- (B) Our body compensate low Oxygen availability by increasing red blood cell production
- (C) Many fish and invertebrates live at great depths in the ocean, where pressure could be >100 times than the normal atmospheric pressure.
- (D) Reduction of metabolic activity in higher plants in stressful environment

84) Other than India and China, which one of the following group of countries border with Myanmar?

- A) Bangladesh, Thailand and Vietnam
- B) Cambodia, Laos and Malaysia
- C) Thailand, Vietnam and Malaysia
- D) Thailand, Laos and Bangladesh

85) Assertion (A): Unlike temperate forests, the tropical rain forests, if cleared, can yield productive farmland that can support intensive agriculture for several years even without chemical fertilizers.

Reason (R): The primary productivity of the tropical rain forest is very high when compared to that of temperate forests.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) Both A and R are individually true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (B) Both A and R are individually true but R is not the correct explanation of A
- (C) A is true but R is false
- (D) A is false but R is true

86) Tamil Nadu is a leading producer of mill-made cotton yarn in the country. What could be the primary reason?

1. Black cotton soil is the predominant type of soil in the state.
2. Cheap power from various nuclear power plants installed in the state.

Which of the above is/are the correct reasons?

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

87) Assertion (A): India is the top producer of aluminum globally due to its vast bauxite reserves and refining capacity.

Reason (R): Aluminum production in India is highly energy-intensive, making access to affordable power a crucial factor for the industry.

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

- (a) Both (A) and (R) are true, and (R) is the correct explanation of (A).
- (b) Both (A) and (R) are true, but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A).
- (c) (A) is false, but (R) is true.
- (d) Both (A) and (R) are false.

88) On the sea level, the nearest place to the center of the earth is:

- (A) North Pole
- (B) Tropic of Capricorn
- (C) Tropic of Cancer
- (D) Tropic of Equator

89) Which of the following statements accurately describes a benefit of Agrivoltaic farming?

- (a) Agrivoltaic farming reduces land-use efficiency by prioritizing energy production over agriculture.
- (b) Agrivoltaic farming can increase water usage as plants need more irrigation under shaded solar panels.
- (c) Agrivoltaic farming enables both solar energy generation and agriculture on the same land, enhancing land-use efficiency.
- (d) Agrivoltaic farming is primarily focused on increasing crop yields with minimal impact on energy production.

90) "Sonoluminescence" is a phenomenon where:-

- (a) Light is emitted by molecules under magnetic resonance.
- (b) Sound waves cause gas bubbles in a liquid to collapse, emitting light.
- (c) Vibrational energy transforms into electromagnetic waves.
- (d) Ultraviolet rays ionize gas molecules, producing light.

91) Biochar has been recognized as a sustainable solution for enhancing soil health and addressing climate change. Consider the following statements regarding biochar:

- 1. It is produced through direct combustion of biomass.
- 2. It enhances soil microbial activity and nutrient retention.
- 3. It can help mitigate climate change by sequestering carbon in the soil.
- 4. Biochar application increases soil acidity and salinity.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

Options:

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

92) With reference to India's tuna fishery and its export potential, consider the following statements:

- 1. The Indian Ocean is the largest tuna-producing region in the world, contributing over 30% of global tuna production
- 2. The Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) around the Andaman and Nicobar Islands has a significant potential yield of oceanic tuna species such as yellowfin and skipjack
- 3. India primarily exports neritic tuna, which is caught closer to the shore, due to limited exploitation of oceanic tuna species
- 4. The lack of modern fishing technology and processing infrastructure is a major challenge to the development of tuna exports in India

Which of the statements given above are correct?

Options:

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

93) Consider the following Statements:-

Statement 1: All Financial bills are Money bills.

Statement 2: Each Money bill is considered to be a Government bill and can be introduced by a minister ONLY.

Which of the aforementioned statements is/are correct?

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

94) Which one of the following provision could undermine the essence of Fundamental Rights?

- (A) Check the absoluteness of the authority of the government
- (B) Preventive Detention
- (C) Establishment of Rule of Law
- (D) Material Protection of Man

95) Consider the following Assertion-Reason against NHRC:-

Assertion (A): NHRC has the power to punish the violators of Human Rights in rarest of the rare cases.

Reason (R): NHRC has all the powers of a civil court and its proceedings have a judicial character.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) Both A and R is true and R is the correct explanation of A
- (B) Both A and R is true and R is not the correct explanation for A
- (C) A is true but R is false
- (D) A is false but R is true

96) When large number of workers loose employment due to automation of industrial process, it is called:-

- (A) Seasonal unemployment
- (B) Structural unemployment
- (C) Cyclical unemployment
- (D) Disguised unemployment

97) "The Japanese government's most significant mistake was when, from 1985 to 1989, the Bank of Japan (Japan's RBI) kept interest rates too low. This error resulted in:"

- (A) cut growth
- (B) accelerated inflation
- (C) created unemployment
- (D) created budget deficits

98) Which of the following explains the phenomenon of Aurora - a natural light display is observed in higher latitudes?

- (A) The magnetosphere is ionized and excited by the disturbance of solar winds.
- (B) The particles in the ionosphere are excited by the ultraviolet light.
- (C) The phenomena of scattering takes place overclouds due to solar winds.
- (D) The stratospheric clouds of high altitude refract the white light.

99) Identify the associated personality from the hints given below:-

1. He abolished the practice of human sacrifice followed by the wild tribes of Odisha.
2. He appointed a committee headed by Lord Macaulay to make recommendation for the promotion of education.
3. He passes a resolution that English to be the official and literary language of India.

Select the correct answer from codes given below:-

- (A) William Bentinck
- (B) Lord Wellesley
- (C) Lord Metcalfe
- (D) Lord Lytton

100) In India Lok Sabha Speaker is –

- (A) Nominated
- (B) Chosen
- (C) Elected
- (D) Appointed