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1. Consider the following pairs in the context of Indian economy :
- (1) Melt down : Fall in stock prices  
 (2) Recession : Fall in growth rate  
 (3) Slow down : Fall in GDP
- Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 and 3  
 (c) 1 and 3 (d) 1, 2 and 3
2. Consider the following statements regarding Constituent Assembly:
- (1) It was based on adult franchise  
 (2) It resulted from direct elections  
 (3) It was a multi-party body
- Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 3 (b) 1 and 2  
 (c) 1, 2 and 3 (d) None of the above
3. The reserve bank of India (RBI) acts as a banker's bank. This would imply which of the following?
- (1) Other banks retains their deposits with the RBI.  
 (2) The RBI lends funds to the commercial banks in times of need.  
 (3) The RBI advises the commercial banks on monetary matters.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 2 and 3 (b) 1 and 2  
 (c) 1 and 3 (d) 1, 2 and 3
4. The basic structure theory of the Constitution of India implies that :
- (a) Certain features of the Constitution are so essential to it that they cannot be abrogated  
 (b) Fundamental Rights cannot be abridged or taken away  
 (c) The Constitution cannot be amended except in accordance with the procedure prescribed in Art. 368  
 (d) The Preamble of the Constitution cannot be amended for it is not part of the Constitution and at the same time represents its real spirit.
5. Consider the following statements about new method of GDP calculation in India:
- (1) Changed the GDP figures from GDP at Market Prices to GDP at Factor Cost.  
 (2) Changed the Base Year of calculation of GDP from 2004-05 to 2011-12
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
6. Consider the following statements:
- (1) A written and rigid Constitution  
 (2) An independent judiciary  
 (3) Vesting of residuary powers with centre  
 (4) Distribution of powers between the centre and states
- Which of the above are federal features of Constitution?
- (a) 1, 2 and 3 (b) 1 and 2  
 (c) 1, 2 and 4 (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
7. Which of the following measures would result in an increase in the money supply in the economy?

<p>(1) Purchase of government securities from the public by the central bank</p> <p>(2) Deposit of currency in commercial banks by the public</p> <p>(3) Borrowing by the government from the central bank</p> <p>(4) Sale of government securities to the public by the central bank</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 and 4</p> <p>(c) 1 and 3                      (d) 2, 3 and 4</p>	<p>Which of the above statements is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>
<p>8. Prohibition of discrimination on grounds of religion is a Fundamental Right classified under:</p> <p>(a) The Right to freedom of Religion</p> <p>(b) The Right against exploitation</p> <p>(c) The cultural and education Rights</p> <p>(d) The Right to Equality</p>	<p>11. Consider the following statements regarding Gender Inequality Index (GII)</p> <p>(1) GII measures the inequality that exists between men and women.</p> <p>(2) Three dimensions considered to make GII are reproductive health, empowerment and labour market.</p> <p>(3) The indicators for Empowerment are attainment of secondary and higher education and employment.</p> <p>(4) GII ranges from 0 to 1, and 1 represents fair equality.</p> <p>Which of the statements given above is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2 only</p> <p>(c) 3 only                        (d) 3 and 4</p>
<p>9. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) Deflation is a decrease in the general price level of goods and services.</p> <p>(2) Deflation is the negative inflation rate which falls below zero percent.</p> <p>Which of the statements given above is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 Only                        (b) 2 Only</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>	<p>12. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>No one can be compelled to sing the National Anthem since</p> <p>(1) It will be violative of the Right to freedom of speech and expression.</p> <p>(2) It will be violative of the Right to freedom of conscience and practice and propagation of religion.</p> <p>(3) There is no provision obliging anyone to sing the National Anthem</p>
<p>10. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) The British Sovereignty continued to exist in free India.</p> <p>(2) The British sovereign appointed the last Governor - General of free India.</p>	<p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2 and 3</p> <p>(c) 1 and 3                      (d) 1, 2 and 3</p>

<p>13. The price of any currency in international market is decided by the:</p> <p>(1) World Bank</p> <p>(2) Demand for Goods/services provided by the concerned country</p> <p>(3) Stability of the government of the concerned country</p> <p>(4) Economic potential of the country in question</p> <p>Which of the statements given above are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1, 2, 3 and 4      (b) 2 and 3</p> <p>(c) 3 and 4            (d) 1 and 4</p>	<p>(a) 1 and 2            (b) 2 and 3</p> <p>(c) 1 and 3            (d) 1, 2 and 3</p> <p>16. The concept of Public Interest Litigation originated in :</p> <p>(a) The United Kingdom</p> <p>(b) Australia</p> <p>(c) The United States</p> <p>(d) Canada</p>
<p>14. Proportional representation is NOT necessary in a country where:</p> <p>(a) there are no reserved constituencies</p> <p>(b) a two-party system has developed</p> <p>(c) The first - past - post system prevails</p> <p>(d) There is a fusion of presidential and parliamentary forms of government</p>	<p>17. In contrast with the Medical Council of India, the proposed National Medical Council will</p> <p>(1) centralise all powers, from advising universities on curriculum to disciplining errant doctors</p> <p>(2) include among its members non-doctors like patient-rights advocates and ethicists</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the code given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 only                (b) 2 only</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2      (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>
<p>15. India has experienced persistent and high food inflation in the recent past. What could be the reasons ?</p> <p>(1) Due to a gradual switchover to the cultivation of commercial crops, the area under the cultivation of food grains has steadily decreased</p> <p>(2) As a consequence of increasing incomes, the consumption patterns of the people have undergone a significant change</p> <p>(3) The food supply chain has structural constraints</p> <p>Which of the statements given above are correct?</p>	<p>18. A United States Citizen staying in India cannot claim Right to</p> <p>(a) Equality before law</p> <p>(b) Protection of life and personal liberty</p> <p>(c) Freedom of trade and profession</p> <p>(d) Freedom of religion</p> <p>19. Which one of the following statements appropriately describes the 'fiscal stimulus'?</p> <p>(a) It is a massive investment by the government in manufacturing sector to ensure the supply of goods to meet the</p>

<p>demand surge caused by rapid economic growth</p> <p>(b) It is an intensive affirmative action of the government to boost economic activity in the country</p> <p>(c) It is government's intensive action on financial institutions to ensure disbursement of loans to agriculture and allied sectors to promote greater food production and contain food inflation</p> <p>(d) It is an extreme affirmative action by the government to pursue its policy of financial inclusion</p>	<p>(c) Religious and linguistic minorities</p> <p>(d) religions, linguistic and ethnic minorities</p>
<p>20. The most short lived of all of Britain's Constitutional experiments in India was the :</p> <p>(a) Indian Councils Act of 1861</p> <p>(b) Indian Councils Act of 1892</p> <p>(c) Indian Councils Act of 1909</p> <p>(d) Government of India Act of 1919</p>	<p>23. The "North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme" broadly covers creation of infrastructure related to:</p> <p>(1) Education and health</p> <p>(2) Projects promoting tourism</p> <p>(3) Water supply</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 1 and 3</p> <p>(c) 2 only                        (d) 1, 2 and 3</p>
<p>21. A rise in general level of prices may be caused by</p> <p>(1) an increase in the money supply</p> <p>(2) a decrease in the aggregate level of output</p> <p>(3) an increase in the effective demand</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the codes given below</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 1 and 2</p> <p>(c) 2 and 3                    (d) 1, 2 and 3</p>	<p>24. Which of the following are features of Government of India Act of 1935?</p> <p>(1) Diarchy at the centre as well as in the provinces.</p> <p>(2) A bicameral legislature</p> <p>(3) Provincial autonomy</p> <p>(4) An All - India Federation</p> <p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1, 2 and 3                (b) 2, 3 and 4</p> <p>(c) 1, 2 and 4                (d) 1, 3 and 4</p>
<p>22. The Constitution of India recognizes:</p> <p>(a) Linguistic minorities only</p> <p>(b) Religious minorities only</p>	<p>25. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) Inflation benefits the debtors</p> <p>(2) Inflation benefits the bondholders</p> <p>Which of the statement given above is/ are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>

26. Which one of the following statements correctly describes the Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of India?
- (a) It allocates seats in the Council of States  
 (b) It contains the provisions regarding the administration of tribal areas  
 (c) It contains the languages listed in the Constitution  
 (d) It lists the distribution of powers between the Union and the States
27. An increase in the bank rate generally indicates that the
- (a) market rate of interest is likely to fall  
 (b) central bank is no longer making loans to commercial banks  
 (c) central bank is following an easy money policy  
 (d) central bank is following a tight money policy
28. Which of the following is/are correctly matched?
- List- I (Item in the Indian Constitution)
- A) Concurrent List in Union - State Relations  
 B) India as a Union of States with greater powers to the Union  
 (C) Directive Principles of State Policy
- List - II (Country from which it was derived)
- (1) Canada  
 (2) Australia                      (3) Ireland
- Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2 and 3  
 (c) 1 only                      (d) 3 only
29. Consider the following statements:
- (1) One of the targets under the Sustainable Development Goals is to eradicate child labour in all its forms by 2025  
 (2) Worldwide, child labour is concentrated primarily in the industrial sector
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) Neither 1 nor 2
30. Which article of the Constitution of India says, 'No Child below the age of fourteen years shall be employed to work in any factory or mine or engaged in any other hazardous employment?'
- (a) Art. 24                      (b) Art. 45  
 (c) Art. 330                      (d) Art 368
31. Which of the following is/are some of the recommendations of the Raghuram Rajan Committee on financial sector reforms ?
- (1) Target inflation control rather than controlling money supply  
 (2) Open Corporate and Government Bond markets  
 (3) Provide liberal regulations for mergers and acquisitions
- (a) Only 1                      (b) Only 2  
 (c) Only 3                      (d) 1, 2 and 3

32. Who among the following was the Chairman of the Union Constitution Committee of the Constituent Assembly?
- (a) B. R. Ambedkar  
(b) J. B. Kripalani  
(c) Jawaharlal Nehru  
(d) Alladi Krishnaswami Ayyar
33. Consider the following statements :
- (1) Sensex is based on 50 of the most important stocks available on the Bombay stock exchange  
(2) New York stock exchange is the oldest stock exchange in the world
- Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
34. Which of the following come within the ambit of Art. 21 of the Indian Constitution?
- (1) Right to Shelter  
(2) Right to good roads  
(3) Right to reputation  
(4) Right to pure drinking water
- Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 1, 3 and 4  
(c) 1, 2 and 4                  (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
35. Consider the following statements:
- (1) India is yet to sign the U.N. Convention against Torture  
(2) The Law Commission of India has recommended that India frame a standalone anti-torture law
- Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
36. Which of the following cases reflect on the elements of the basic structure of the Indian Constitution?
- (1) Kesavanand Bharti Vs State of Kerala  
(2) S. P. Gupta Vs Union of India  
(3) Minerva Mills Vs Union of India
- Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 3                      (b) 1, 2 and 3  
(c) 1 and 2                      (d) 2 and 3
37. Tourism industry in India is quite small compared to many other countries in terms of India's potential and size. Which one of the following statements is correct in this regard?
- (a) Distances in India are too far apart and its luxury hotels are too expensive for Western tourists  
(b) For most of the months India is too hot for Western tourists to feel comfortable  
(c) Most of the picturesque resorts in India such as in the North-East and Kashmir are, for all practical purposes, out of bounds  
(d) In India, the infrastructure required for attracting tourists is inadequate

38. Which of the following grounds come within the ambit of reasonable restrictions put by the state on the exercise of freedom under Art 19 of the Indian Constitution?

- (1) Security of State
- (2) Public order
- (3) Decency or morality
- (4) Contempt of court

Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

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

39. Consider the following statements :

- (1) In India, the unemployment rate on the Current Daily Basis (CDS) by NSSO data is always more than 25%
- (2) In last decade the employment generated by the Public sector is always more than that of the private sector.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

40. Match List-I with List-II and select the correct answer from the codes given below:

List - I

- (A) Wassenaar Agreement
- (B) Australia Group
- (C) Nuclear Suppliers Group
- (D) Missile Technology control Regime

List - I

- (1) Stopping spread of chemical and biological weapons
- (2) Non-proliferation of nuclear weapons
- (3) Export control for conventional arms and dual use technology
- (4) Non-proliferation of systems intended for the delivery of WMD

A            B            C            D

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

41. The 'Oslo Accords' and 'Camp David Accords', sometimes in the news, are seen in the context of which one of the following international issues?

- (a) Antibiotic resistance
- (b) The pollinator crisis
- (c) Melting Arctic ice cap
- (d) Israel-Arab peace process

42. Which of the following is a subject included in the concurrent list of Schedule Seven of the Constitution?

- (a) Railways
- (b) Post and Telegraphs
- (c) Betting and Gambling
- (d) Population control

43. Consider the following statements :

- (1) Headline inflation is a measure of the total inflation within an economy.



- (2) Headline inflation is affected by areas of the market which may experience sudden inflationary spikes such as food, vegetables or energy.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) Only 1                      (b) Only 2  
(c) Both 1 and 2            (d) Neither 1 nor 2
44. Which one of the following is a provision of Right of children to Free and compulsory Education (Amendment) Bill 2017?
- (a) Free and Compulsory education for children between 6 and 15 years  
(b) Specification of minimum norms in secondary schools  
(c) Acquisition of minimum required degree by unqualified teachers of schools  
(d) Inclusion of a new Art. 22A to the Constitution of India
45. Consider the following statements relating to estimation of National Income:
- (1) Foreigners working in Indian Embassies are normal residents of India.  
(2) Foreigners working in the office of WHO, World Bank, UNO etc. located in India are not normal residents of India.  
(3) Indians working in foreign embassies in India are not normal residents of India.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 1 and 2  
(c) 3 only                      (d) 1, 2 and 3
46. Which of the following Acts separated, for the first time, the legislative and executive functions of the Governor-General's Council?
- (a) Charter Act of 1833  
(b) Charter Act of 1853  
(c) Government of India Act of 1858  
(d) Indian Councils Act of 1861
47. Draft regulations on civil use of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (Drones) in India have been released. Which of the statements is/are correct about drone regulation?
- (1) All drones are to be registered with Ministry of Home affairs.  
(2) Drones less than 2 kg and operating under 200 feet of height, once registered, can be flown without regular permissions.
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2            (d) Neither 1 nor 2
48. Consider the following Statements :
- (1) The Constitution deals with citizenship under part - III  
(2) Constitution empowers the Parliament to enact a law relating to citizenship
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2            (d) Neither 1 nor 2

49. The term 'narrow banking' is best described as :
- banks acting only as payment banks
  - banking by non-banking financial companies
  - limited areas of operation by banks
  - banks lending only to risk free sectors
50. Consider the following statements :
- The Indian Constitution allows Parliament to legislate on the subject of Citizenship.
  - In India both a citizen by birth as well as a naturalized citizen are eligible for the office of President
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- 1 only
  - 2 only
  - Both 1 and 2
  - Neither 1 nor 2
51. The recent High Currency Demonetisation (HCD) is not the first time that such a measure has been taken in Independent India. In context of this/these past HCD event(s), consider the following statements:
- Two events, apart from the recent one, of HCD have taken place.
  - The purpose of demonetisation, when it has taken place, has been to deal with black money and illegal transactions.
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- 1 only
  - 2 only
  - Both 1 and 2
  - Neither 1 nor 2
52. Which of the following Article in Constitution provides for judicial review?
- Article 12
  - Article 13
  - Article 32
  - Article 226
53. In 1998, in the Third Judges Case, the court clarified its position on the composition of collegium. Which of the statements is/are correct about the collegium?
- It comprises, in the case of appointments to the Supreme Court, the CJI and his four senior-most colleagues.
  - For appointments to the high courts, the collegium must consult such other senior judges serving in the Supreme Court who had previously served as judges of the High Court concerned.
- 1 only
  - 2 only
  - Both 1 and 2
  - Neither 1 nor 2
54. Consider the following statements :
- The term 'untouchability' has been defined in the Constitution.
  - A person convicted of the offence of untouchability is disqualified for election to the Parliament or State Legislature.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- 1 only
  - 2 only
  - Both 1 and 2
  - Neither 1 nor 2
55. In which of the following ways does the International Solar Alliance seek to bring down the costs of producing solar power?

<p>(1) Promotion of research and development, particularly in areas of efficient storage systems.</p> <p>(2) Boosting global demand.</p> <p>(3) Promoting standardisation in the use of equipment and processes for generating electricity.</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the code given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 and 3</p> <p>(c) 1 and 3                      (d) 1, 2 and 3</p> <p>56. Protection against arbitrary and excessive punishment to an accused person under Art 20 provides for :</p> <p>(1) No ex-post - facto law</p> <p>(2) No self-incrimination</p> <p>Which of the above statements is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>57. Consider the following list:</p> <p>(1) Iodine                      (2) Folic Acid</p> <p>(3) Vitamins                      (4) Iron</p> <p>(5) Fluoride</p> <p>Food products when added with which from the above list are considered to be 'fortified foods'?</p> <p>(a) 1, 3 and 4                      (b) 2 and 5</p> <p>(c) 1, 2, 3 and 4                      (d) 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5</p> <p>58. Consider the following statements :</p> <p>(1) Art 32 can be invoked simply to determine the constitutionality of an executive order</p>	<p>(2) Where relief through High Court is available under Art 226, the aggrieved party can move Supreme Court first.</p> <p>Which of the above statements is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>59. Recently snap elections were held in Japan and Iceland. Which of the statements is/are correct about snap elections?</p> <p>(1) It is initiated by opposition party.</p> <p>(2) It is an election in a parliamentary system called when not required either by law or convention.</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>60. The writ of mandamus can be issued</p> <p>(1) against a private individual</p> <p>(2) to enforce departmental instruction that does not possess statutory force.</p> <p>(3) to enforce a contractual obligation.</p> <p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2 and 3</p> <p>(c) 1, 2 and 3                      (d) None of the above</p> <p>61. Many a time we read in the newspaper the term 'Hot Money'. Which of the following is the correct definition of Hot Money?</p> <p>(1) This is the fund which is dumped into a country to get the advantage of a favourable interest rate and hence bring high returns</p>
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- (2) This is the fund which is provided by a bank in US Dollar at very short notice at a very high rate of interest – and for a longer period of repayment
- (3) This is the fund which is pushed into market through Hawala or some other such illegal method and is sometimes referred to also as Black Money
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2 and 3  
(c) 1 and 3                      (d) 1 only
62. Which of the following is correct regarding the Fundamental Rights of Armed Forces?
- (a) Constitution empowers Parliament to restrict or abrogate the fundamental rights of the members of armed forces
- (b) Constitution itself would restrict or abrogate the fundamental rights of the members of armed forces
- (c) Constitution empowers executive to restrict or abrogate the fundamental rights of members of armed forces.
- (d) None of the above
63. Consider the following features :
- (1) Predominance of Agriculture.
- (2) Predominance of Industry.
- (3) Low per capita income.
- (4) Massive unemployment.
- Which of the features given above is/are the characteristics of Indian Economy?
- (a) 1, 2, 3 and 4                      (b) 1, 2 and 3  
(c) 1, 2 and 4                      (d) 1, 3 and 4
64. Key observations and recommendations of NITI Aayog's 'Ease of Doing Business Report' include
- (1) Faster growing states exhibited fewer delays in granting clearances and were more flexible in implementing environment laws
- (2) Access to low cost capital is recognised by most businesses as unique to doing business in India in recent times
- (3) Better dissemination of government information related procedures, to businesses, is needed
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2 and 3  
(c) 1 and 3                      (d) 1, 2 and 3
65. Consider the following consequences of imposition of Martial Law:
- (1) It affects only Fundamental Rights.
- (2) It suspends the government and ordinary law courts.
- (3) It is imposed to restore the breakdown of law and order due to any reason.
- Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2 and 3  
(c) 1, 2 and 3                      (d) 1 and 3
66. Consider the following statements :
- (1) Average growth rate of the agriculture and allied services in Indian Economy after independence is more than 4%.
- (2) After the economic liberalisation in 1991, the decline in share of agriculture

<p>in GDP has been balanced by an increase in share of the services sector.</p> <p>Which of the statements given above is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) Only 1                      (b) Only 2 (c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>67. Which of the following Directive Principles is added by the Forty-Second Amendment of the Constitution?</p> <p>(a) To secure opportunities for healthy development of children (b) To promote the welfare of the people by securing a social order (c) To secure adequate means of livelihood for all citizens (d) To secure for all citizens a uniform civil code</p> <p>68. When the economy goes into a recession, there's an increase in</p> <p>(a) frictional unemployment. (b) structural unemployment. (c) cyclical unemployment. (d) voluntary unemployment.</p> <p>69. Which of the following are the fundamental duties mentioned in Constitution?</p> <p>(1) to uphold and protect the sovereignty unity and integrity of India (2) to renounce practices derogatory to the dignity of women (3) to develop scientific temper (4) to strive towards excellence</p> <p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p>	<p>(a) 1, 2 and 3                      (b) 2, 3 and 4 (c) 1, 2 and 4                      (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4</p> <p>70. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) The 'Special Strategic and Global Partnership' is often mentioned in the news in the context of India's relations with USA. (2) India has a strategic partnership with China.</p> <p>Which of the statements mentioned above is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                              (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>71. Consider the following Statements :</p> <p>(1) Parliament is free to enforce the fundamental duties by suitable legislation (2) Fundamental Duties are non-justifiable</p> <p>Which of the above statements is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                              (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>72. The National Food Security Mission (NFSM) aims to enhance the production of</p> <p>(1) Rice                                      (2) Wheat (3) Fruits                                      (4) Vegetables (5) Pulses                                      (6) Coarse Cereals</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the codes given below.</p> <p>(a) 1, 2, 3 and 4                      (b) 1, 2 and 5 (c) 1, 2, 3 and 5                      (d) 1, 2, 5 and 6</p>
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73. Chronologically arrange the formation of Nagaland, Sikkim, Gujarat and Haryana:
- (a) Nagaland, Sikkim, Gujarat, Haryana  
 (b) Gujarat, Haryana, Nagaland, Sikkim  
 (c) Nagaland, Gujarat, Sikkim, Haryana  
 (d) Gujarat, Nagaland, Haryana, Sikkim
74. The term 'micro-finance' frequently appears in newspapers. Micro-finance includes
- (1) small loans      (2) small deposits  
 (3) money transfer  
 (4) payment services
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below.
- (a) 1, 2 and 3      (b) 1, 3 and 4  
 (c) 2, 3 and 4      (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
75. Consider the following Statements :
- (1) Indian Territory can be ceded to a foreign state only by amending the Constitution under Art.368  
 (2) Settlement of a boundary between India and another country does not require a Constitutional Amendment.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only      (b) 2 only  
 (c) Both 1 and 2      (d) Neither 1 nor 2
76. Inclusive growth is an important objective of the development process. In this context, which of the following would amount to inclusive growth?
- (1) poverty reduction.  
 (2) disinvestment.
- (3) good governance.  
 (4) skill building.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below.
- a) 1, 2 and 3      b) 1, 3 and 4  
 c) 2, 3 and 4      d) 1, 2, and 4
77. Which of the following is a procedure whereby a proposed legislation is referred to the electorate for settlement by their direct votes?
- (a) Initiate      (b) Recall  
 (c) Plebiscite      (d) Referendum
78. Consider the following economy traits:
- (1) Prolonged increase in demand  
 (2) Heating up of economy  
 (3) Demand-supply lag
- They are the characteristic features of which phase of business/economy cycle?
- (a) Recession      (b) Depression  
 (c) Recovery      (d) Boom
79. Which of the following assures 'the dignity of the individual'?
- (a) Equality      (b) Liberty  
 (c) Justice      (d) Fraternity
80. Consider the following statements with reference to the "two-plus-two" dialogue mechanism between India and Japan:
- (1) It comprises the respective foreign affairs and commerce ministries  
 (2) It is a form of Track 3 diplomacy
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

<p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>	<p>(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>
<p>81. Which of the following terms implies vesting of political sovereignty in the people?</p> <p>(a) Socialist                      (b) Republic</p> <p>(c) Democratic                  (d) Sovereign</p>	<p>85. Which of the following languages are originally recognized by the Constitution?</p> <p>(1) Manipuri                      (2) Konkani</p> <p>(3) Nepali                          (4) Sindhi</p> <p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p>
<p>82. With reference to narrow money, consider the following statements :</p> <p>(1) They are highly liquid.</p> <p>(2) Banks run their lending programme mainly with this money.</p> <p>Which of the statements given above is/ are correct ?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                          (b) 2 only</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2                  (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>	<p>(a) 1, 2 and 3                      (b) 2, 3 and 4</p> <p>(c) 1, 2 and 4</p> <p>(d) None of the above</p> <p>86. Which of the following Acts provided for the first time for the association of Indians with the executive councils of the Viceroy and Governors?</p> <p>(a) 1892 Act                          (b) 1909 Act</p> <p>(c) 1919 Act                          (d) 1935 Act</p>
<p>83. Which among the following can result in 'demand pull inflation'?</p> <p>(1) increase in subsidy on LPG</p> <p>(2) increase in fuel prices</p> <p>(3) decrease in income tax rates</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the codes given below.</p> <p>(a) 1 and 2                          (b) 1 and 3</p> <p>(c) 2 and 3                          (d) 1, 2 and 3</p>	<p>87. Consider the following statements with reference to Geographical Indication tags ("GI Tags"):</p> <p>(1) No handmade and manufactured products in the informal sector can be granted a GI tag.</p> <p>(2) In the context of quality control of registered GIs, there is no single reference to an inspection or monitoring structure in India's GI Act.</p> <p>(3) "Attar" making art evolved, developed in and is confined to Jaipur.</p> <p>Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?</p>
<p>84. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) India's GDP is more than its GNP.</p> <p>(2) Net Factor Income from Abroad (NFIA) is positive for India.</p> <p>Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                          (b) 2 only</p>	<p>(a) 1 and 3                          (b) 2 only</p> <p>(c) 2 and 3</p> <p>(d) 3 only</p>

88. Which of the following interest rates is/are still regulated in India?
- (1) Savings account interest rate  
(2) Fixed deposit interest rate  
(3) Current account interest rate
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below.
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 1 and 2  
(c) 3 only                      (d) None
89. 'Separation of Powers' is a feature of :
- (a) Parliamentary Government  
(b) Presidential Government  
(c) Federal Government  
(d) Unitary Government
90. The government provides subsidies in various sectors. Which of the following are the effects of subsidies?
- (1) it increases inflation  
(2) it increases fiscal deficit  
(3) it decreases export competitiveness
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below.
- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2 only  
(c) 2 and 3                      (d) 1, 2 and 3
91. Consider the following statements with reference to the Internet Government Forum (IGF):
- (1) It is a forum for intergovernmental dialogue on policy issues related to internet governance  
(2) It contributes to capacity building for internet governance
- (3) India has been a host country of the IGF in the past
- Which of the statements given above is/are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2 and 3  
(c) 1 and 3                      (d) 1, 2 and 3
92. Consider the following statements :
- (1) Constitution explicitly clarifies that a policy like reservation will not be seen as a violation of right to equality.  
(2) Freedoms are defined in the Constitution in such a manner that every person will enjoy his/her freedom without threatening freedom of others
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2                      (d) Neither 1 nor 2
93. All banks are mandated to lend to priority sector. Which of the following would come under Priority Sector Lending (PSL) ?
- (1) loans to corporations  
(2) loans to Self Help Groups  
(3) loans to small and marginal farmers  
(4) loans to state government
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below.
- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 1 and 3  
(c) 2 and 3                      (d) 2, 3 and 4
94. Consider the following statements :
- (1) buying and selling of human beings is prohibited under the Constitution itself.



<p>(2) if the government feels that a person can be a threat to law and order or to the peace and security of the nation, it can detain or arrest that person.</p> <p>Which of the above statements is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>	<p>(2) Lee Commission recommended measures for Indianisation of Civil Services</p> <p>Which of the above statements is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>
<p>95. Consider the following statements about Index of Industrial Production (IIP )</p> <p>(1) It is released monthly by Central Statistical Organisation ( CSO )</p> <p>(2) It shows the volume of industrial activity.</p> <p>Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>	<p>98. A decrease in Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) can lead to:</p> <p>(1) increase in cash availability of the banks</p> <p>(2) increase in repo rate</p> <p>(3) decrease in SLR</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the codes given below.</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 1 and 2 (c) 1 and 3                      (d) 1, 2 and 3</p>
<p>96. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) The Indian state can deprive the right to life and personal liberty of a person based on a law</p> <p>(2) 'Dignity of an individual' forms a part of the basic structure of our Constitution</p> <p>Which of the statements given above is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>	<p>99. Which of the following articles immunizes any law included in the Ninth Schedule from all fundamental rights?</p> <p>(a) Art 31A                      (b) Art 31 B (c) Art 31 C                      (d) Art 32</p>
<p>97. Consider the following statements :</p> <p>(1) The Macaulay Committee recommended that an open competition system should be adopted for recruitment to the Civil Services.</p>	<p>100. Which of the following is/are recommendation(s) made by the Tarun Ramadorai Committee on household finance?</p> <p>(1) To link gold holdings with the Aadhaar number of the head of each household</p> <p>(2) To create customised financial products based on the traditions of households</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the code given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p>