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| <p>1. Consider the following statements with reference to Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs):</p> <p>(1) The mandate of KVK is technology assessment and demonstration for its application and capacity development</p> <p>(2) KVKs provide farm advisories using Information and Communication Technology (ICT) and other media means on varied subjects of interest to farmers</p> <p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>2. Consider the following statements with respect to the Public Accounts Committee:</p> <p>(1) Its work is based on the audit reports of the Comptroller &amp; Auditor General (C&amp;AG).</p> <p>(2) It examines the accounts of the Government of India for appropriations made by the Lok Sabha.</p> <p>(3) It examines the accounts of Public Service Corporations and other such bodies whose accounts are audited by Comptroller &amp; Auditor General (C&amp;AG).</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1, 2 and 3                  (b) 2 and 3</p> <p>(c) 1 and 2                      (d) 3 only</p> <p>3. Which of the following were features of 'Green Revolution in India?'</p> <p>(1) Use of High Yielding Varieties seeds</p> <p>(2) Use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides</p> <p>(3) Grant of subsidy</p> <p>(4) Reliable irrigation facilities</p> | <p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 and 2                      (b) 1, 2 and 4</p> <p>(c) 1, 3 and 4                  (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4</p> <p>4. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) Members of Rajya Sabha are not associated with the Committee on Public Undertakings.</p> <p>(2) The Annual Financial Statement (Budget) is laid before the Lok Sabha only.</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>5. Consider the statements regarding the various inflation indices published in the country:</p> <p>(1) Wholesale Price Index (WPI) does not represent the inflation in services</p> <p>(2) Consumer Price Index (CPI) represents the inflation in services also</p> <p>(3) CPI and WPI represent the inflation of imported components also</p> <p>(4) GDP deflator captures the inflation of the goods and services produced domestically</p> <p>Select the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 and 2                      (b) 1, 2 and 3</p> <p>(c) 2, 3 and 4                  (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4</p> <p>6. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) A retired Supreme Court Judge cannot act as a Judge of the Supreme Court even for a temporary period.</p> |
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<p>(2) A High Court Judge may be appointed as an ad hoc Judge of the Supreme Court for a temporary period.</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>7. A Country has floating (flexible) exchange rate system. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) Rise in interest rate in the country may lead to appreciation of its currency (2) Inflation in the country may lead to depreciation of its currency</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>8. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) The Supreme Court has original jurisdiction in any dispute between the Government of India and one or more States. (2) The Supreme Court has original jurisdiction in any dispute between the Government of India and any State or States on one side and one or more other States on the other. (3) The Supreme Court has original jurisdiction in any dispute between the Government of India and any corporation or individual on one side and one or more States on the other. (4) The Supreme Court has original jurisdiction in any dispute between two or more States.</p>	<p>Which of the above statements are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1 and 2                      (b) 1, 2 and 4 (c) 3 and 4                      (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4</p> <p>9. Which of the following is/are the objectives of the Gold Monetization Scheme?</p> <p>(1) To mobilize gold held by households and institutions in the country. (2) To save forex reserves.</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>10. Consider the following statements regarding the National Human Rights Commission of India:</p> <p>(1) Its Chairman must be retired Chief Justice of India. (2) The Speaker of the Lok Sabha is not a member of the committee recommending appointment of members. (3) Its powers are only recommendatory in nature. (4) It is mandatory to appoint a woman as a member of the Commission.</p> <p>Which of the above statements are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1, 2, 3 and 4              (b) 2 and 4 (c) 2 and 3                      (d) 1 and 3</p> <p>11. The export competitiveness of a country can be best measured through which of the following exchange rates:</p> <p>(a) Nominal Exchange Rate (b) Real Exchange Rate (c) Nominal Effective Exchange Rate (d) Real Effective Exchange Rate</p>
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12. Article 110 of the Constitution deals with the definition of money bills. Which of the following can be considered as money bill?
- 1) The abolition, alteration or regulation of any tax by the Union Government
  - 2) The regulation of the borrowing of money by the Union Government
  - 3) The appropriation of money out of the Consolidated Fund of India
  - 4) The abolition, alteration or regulation of any tax by any local body
- (a) 1, 2, 3 and 4      (b) 1, 3 and 4  
(c) 1, 2 and 3      (d) 1 and 2
13. Consider the following statements with reference to Financial Sector:
- (1) Foreign Exchange Market is included in the financial sector
  - (2) Reforms in financial sector reduced the role of Reserve Bank of India from facilitator to regulator.
  - (3) Quantitative restrictions on Foreign Trade is decided by Reserve Bank of India only.
- Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 only      (b) 2 and 3  
(c) 1 and 2      (d) 1 and 3
14. The Rights to Information means and includes
- (1) Inspection of documents.
  - (2) Taking out files from office to any place desired by the applicant.
  - (3) Taking photograph of files.
  - (4) Obtaining information in tapes.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below
- (a) 1, 2, 3 and 4      (b) 1, 2 and 3  
(c) 1, 3 and 4      (d) 2 and 4
15. Consider the following statements regarding bonds:
- (1) Bond price depends on the market interest rate
  - (2) Bond price increases with increase in market interest rate
  - (3) Bond price decreases with increase in market interest rate
  - (4) Bond prices depend on the profit/ loss of the companies issuing the bonds
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 only      (b) 1 and 4  
(c) 1 and 3      (d) 1, 3 and 4
16. Consider the following statements:
- (1) The Speaker of Lok Sabha has the power to adjourn the House sine die but, on prorogation, it is only the President who can summon the House .
  - (2) Unless sooner dissolved or there is an extension of the term, there is an automatic dissolution of the Lok Sabha by efflux of time, at the end of the period of five years, even if no formal order of dissolution is issued by the President .
  - (3) The Speaker of Lok Sabha continues in office even after the dissolution of the House and until 'immediately before the first meeting of the House' .
- Which of the above statements are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2      (b) 2 and 3

<p>(c) 1 and 3                      (d) 1, 2 and 3</p> <p>17. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) The government unveiled new norms under regional connectivity scheme to attract more airlines to operate services in Jammu and Kashmir and Andaman and Nicobar Islands.</p> <p>(2) To encourage helicopter services under UDAN (Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik) Scheme, the viability gap funding has been increased</p> <p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) Only 1                      (b) Only 2</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>18. Which of the following investors/ agencies can purchase government of India securities?</p> <p>(1) Reserve Bank of India</p> <p>(2) Portfolio Investors</p> <p>(3) Financial Institutions      (4) Individuals</p> <p>Select the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 1 and 3</p> <p>(c) 3 only                      (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4</p> <p>19. Which of the following privileges are <b>NOT</b> enjoyed by members of Parliament individually?</p> <p>(1) Freedom from being arrested in civil cases during and 40 days before and after the continuance of a meeting of the House of Committee of which he is a member.</p> <p>(2) Freedom from being summoned without the leave of the House, to give evidence as a witness while Parliament is in session.</p>	<p>(3) Unlimited freedom of speech providing immunity from court action for anything said in the House.</p> <p>(4) Freedom to publish debates and proceedings of the House.</p> <p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 and 3                      (b) 2 and 4</p> <p>(c) 3 and 4                      (d) 2, 3 and 4</p> <p>20. Which of the following is/are the features of Hard Currency?</p> <p>(1) High Liquidity      (2) Free Convertibility</p> <p>(3) Full Convertibility</p> <p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 3 only                      (b) 1 and 2</p> <p>(c) 2 and 3                      (d) 1, 2 and 3</p> <p>21. Consider the following statements regarding 'Question Hour in the Indian Parliament :</p> <p>(1) Unless the Chairman of Rajya Sabha otherwise directs, the first hour of every sitting of Rajya Sabha is for asking and answering questions.</p> <p>(2) Starred questions are answered orally and supplementary questions are allowed in it.</p> <p>(3) Speaker of Lok Sabha or Chairman of Rajya Sabha is authorized to decide if the question asked should be answered orally or in written form.</p> <p>(4) One member of Parliament can ask only three starred questions in a day.</p> <p>Which of above statements are correct?</p> <p>(a) 1, 2 and 3                      (b) 1 and 3</p> <p>(c) 2 and 3                      (d) 3 and 4</p>
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22. Consider the following statements:
- (1) Currencies and coins are fiat money
  - (2) Currencies do not have intrinsic value but coins have
  - (3) Currencies and coins are legal tender
  - (4) Cheques are legal tender
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 1 only
  - (b) 1 and 3
  - (c) 3 and 4
  - (d) 2, 3 and 4
23. Which of the following offices have been provided by the Constitution?
- (1) Deputy Speaker of Lok Sabha
  - (2) Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha
  - (3) Deputy Speaker of Legislative Assembly
  - (4) Deputy Prime Minister
- (a) 1, 2 and 3
  - (b) 2 only
  - (c) 1 and 2
  - (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
24. RBI is using which of the following inflation indices as anchor for 'Inflation Targeting'?
- (a) WPI
  - (b) GDP Deflator
  - (c) CPI combined
  - (d) Industrial Workers - CPI(IW)
25. Consider the following statements regarding the Election Commission :
- (1) According to a Judgment of the Supreme Court, the members of the Election Commission have equal powers with the Chief Election Commissioner.
  - (2) The Chief Election Commissioner has overriding authority in the Election Commission.
- (3) The members of the Election Commission are appointed by the Parliament.
- (4) Only those persons who are eligible for appointment as judge of a High Court can be appointed as members of the Election Commission or as Chief Election Commissioner.
- Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1, 3 and 4
  - (b) 2, 3 and 4
  - (c) 1 only
  - (d) 1 and 4
26. Consider the following statements regarding the 'Monetary Policy Committee' (MPC):
- (1) MPC will decide the Inflation Target
  - (2) MPC will decide the Repo Rate
  - (3) MPC will have 6 members
  - (4) RBI governor will have a casting vote
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 and 2
  - (b) 1 and 3
  - (c) 2 and 3
  - (d) 2, 3 and 4
27. Consider the following statements about 'Washington Consensus':
- (1) This is a set of neoliberal economic prescriptions made by the IMF, the World Bank and the U.S. Treasury to developing countries that face economic crises.
  - (2) It recommends structural reforms that increase the role of market forces in exchange for immediate financial help
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) Only 1
  - (b) Only 2
  - (c) Both 1 and 2
  - (d) Neither 1 nor 2

28. Consider the following statements with reference to Commodity Trading:
- (1) It includes trading in agricultural products, environmental instruments, swaps, futures and ocean freights contracts.
- (2) The Forward Markets Commission (FMC) is the chief regulator of commodity futures markets in India.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
29. The jurisdiction of the Finance Commission does not extend to
- (a) recommendation of the principles which govern the Grants-in-Aid to States out of the Consolidated Fund of India
- (b) recommendation of the allocation of funds among the various heads of expenditure in the Union and State budgets
- (c) recommendation of the allocation to the States of the respective shares of some tax proceeds
- (d) recommendation of the distribution between the Union and the States of the net proceeds of taxes
30. Which of the following agencies conducts Inflation Expectation Survey of Households in India?
- (a) Central Statistical Organization
- (b) National Sample Survey Organization
- (c) Reserve Bank of India
- (d) Ministry of Finance
31. A member of either house of Parliament belonging to any political party who is disqualified on the ground of defection shall be disqualified. Which of the following Amendment Act provided for this?
- (a) 90th Constitutional Amendment Act
- (b) 91st Constitutional Amendment Act
- (c) 92nd Constitutional Amendment Act
- (d) 93rd Constitutional Amendment Act
32. Consider the following statements regarding Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPI/FII):
- (1) FPI is mainly into primary market
- (2) FPI investment may happen through primary market
- (3) FPI investment happens only in equity shares
- (4) FPI investment happens only in debt securities
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) 2 and 3                      (d) None of the above
33. The Indian Parliament cannot legislate on a subject of State List unless :
- (1) the President of India directs it to do so.
- (2) the Rajya Sabha passes a resolution that it is necessary to do so in national interest.
- (3) the Speaker of the Vidhan Sabha certifies that the legislation is necessary
- (4) there is national emergency
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below :
- (a) 1, 2 and 3                      (b) 2, 3 and 4  
(c) 1 and 2                      (d) 2 and 4

34. As per the new methodology, the lending rate is calculated by the banks based on:
- Average Cost of Funds
  - Marginal Cost of Funds
  - Repo Rate
  - Inflation Rate
35. On which of the following subjects does the Finance Commission of a State constituted under part IX of the constitution of India make recommendations to the Governor?
- Distribution between the state and the Panchayats of the net proceeds of the taxes leviable by the state
  - Determination of the taxes which may be assigned to, or appropriated by, the Panchayats
  - Grants-in-aid to the Panchayats from the Consolidated Fund of the State
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- 1, 2 and 3
  - 1 and 2
  - 2 and 3
  - 1 and 3
36. 'Stagflation' occurs in which of the following situations:
- Demand pull inflation
  - Cost push inflation
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- 1 only
  - 2 only
  - Both 1 and 2
  - Neither 1 nor 2
37. A proclamation of emergency, unless it is approved by resolutions of both the Houses of Parliament, will cease to be in operation within:
- one month from the date of its proclamation
  - two months from the date of its proclamation
  - three months from the date of its proclamation
  - six months from the date of its proclamation
38. Which of the following constitute Capital Account in Balance of Payment (BoP)?
- Global Depository Receipts (GDRs)
  - Trade Credit
  - Government securities purchased by foreign Investors
  - Securities purchased by foreign portfolio investors
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below:
- 1 and 2
  - 3 and 4
  - 1, 2 and 3
  - None of the above
39. The Indian Federal System differs from the American Federal System in respect of the following:
- Representation of the States in the Upper House of the Federal Legislature.
  - Existence of a Written Constitution.
  - Vesting of Residuary Powers in the Union.
  - Single Citizenship
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below:
- 1 and 2
  - 3 and 4
  - 1, 2 and 3
  - 3 only
40. The Current Account Deficit in Balance of Payments can be financed through:

<p>(1) Net capital inflow (2) Foreign exchange reserve transaction</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only (c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>41. Consider the following statements :</p> <p>(1) The joint sitting of the two Houses of the Parliament in India is sanctioned under Article 108 of the Constitution.</p> <p>(2) The Speaker of the Lok Sabha presides over the joint sitting of both Houses of the Parliament.</p> <p>(3) When there is a deadlock over a Bill between both the Houses, the President must call for a joint sitting.</p> <p>Which of the above statements are correct ?</p> <p>(a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2 and 3 (c) 1 and 3                      (d) 1, 2 and 3</p> <p>42. The 'Government at a Glance' report is published by</p> <p>(a) International Monetary Fund (IMF) (b) Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) (c) United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) (d) Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)</p> <p>43. Fame India Scheme is concerned with</p> <p>(a) Electricity distribution companies (b) Promotion of traditional sports (c) Hybrid and Electric vehicles (d) Scheme to promote voluntary action for persons with disabilities</p>	<p>44. The visit of foreigners in India to see the various places/events in the country, amounts to which of the following in terms of economy:</p> <p>(a) Production                      (b) Consumption (c) Import                              (d) Export</p> <p>45. Consider the following statements about the federal system in India :</p> <p>(1) Federalism is a basic feature of the Constitution.</p> <p>(2) There is a strong unitary bias in our Constitution.</p> <p>(3) Both the Union and State Legislature are sovereign.</p> <p>(4) The legislative, financial and judicial powers have been divided between the Union and the States.</p> <p>Select the correct answer from the codes given below :</p> <p>(a) 1 only                              (b) 1 and 2 (c) 1, 2 and 3                      (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4</p> <p>46. Which of the following is the purpose of 'COMMIT' Scheme:</p> <p>(a) To improve the public service delivery mechanism and provide citizen centric administration</p> <p>(b) To provide technical and financial assistance to startup entrepreneurs in the field of renewable energy sources.</p> <p>(c) To replace coal based power plants with natural gas, nuclear, solar, wind and tidal power plants over a period of time</p> <p>(d) To provide broadband service to every household in the country by 2019</p>
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47. Consider the following statements with respect to National Sports Talent Search Scheme:
- (1) National Sports Talent Search Scheme has been formulated for identification of talent in the age group of 8-12 years.
- (2) The Scheme envisages to cover all schools in different states/UTs throughout the country for a period of five years from 2015-16 to 2019-20.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
48. Which of the following are components of India's Foreign Exchange Reserves?
- (1) SDR: Special Drawing Rights  
(2) FCA: Foreign Currency Assets  
(3) RTP: Reserve Tranche Position  
(4) Gold
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 2 only                      (b) 2 and 4  
(c) 1, 2 and 4                (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
49. The coal output aimed by the Ujjwal Bharat Scheme to be achieved by 2020 is
- (a) 10 crore tonnes  
(b) 40 crore tonnes  
(c) 50 crore tonnes  
(d) 100 crore tonnes
50. In the short run "Demonetization" has resulted in which of the following:
- (1) Aggregate demand shock  
(2) Aggregate supply shock  
(3) Reduction in discretionary consumption expenditure
- (4) Uncertainty regarding investment plans
- Select the correct answer using the code given below:
- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 1 and 3  
(c) 2 and 3                      (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
51. Consider the following statements :
- (1) The President of India can impose Emergency on grounds of external aggression.  
(2) Emergency can be imposed on grounds of internal disturbance.
- Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
52. Arnold-Chiari Type-II syndrome is associated with
- (a) Malformed brain and spinal cord  
(b) Malformed respiratory system  
(c) A hormonal disorder  
(d) Lung deformities in new born babies
53. Consider the following statements in respect of financial emergency under Article 360 of the Constitution of India
- (1) A proclamation of Financial Emergency issued shall cease to operate at the expiration of two months, unless, before the expiration of that period, it has been approved by the resolutions of both Houses of Parliament.  
(2) Financial Emergency can remain in operation for a maximum period of three years.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2

54. Which of the following is not a member of 'Organisation Of The Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)?
- (a) Saudi Arabia (b) Oman  
(c) Kuwait (d) Iran
55. The maximum loan limit under the New Swarnima Special Scheme is
- (a) 1 Lakh (b) 3 Lakh  
(c) 5 Lakh (d) 10 Lakh
56. Consider the following statements regarding intensified Mission Indradhanush?
- (1) Under Intensified Mission Indradhanush, greater focus will be given on urban areas  
(2) Through this programme, Government of India aims to reach every child under two years of age and all those pregnant women who have been left uncovered under the routine immunisation programme.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
57. Consider the following statements:
- (1) The Administrator of Andaman and Nicobar Islands is designated as Lieutenant Governor.  
(2) Delhi and Puducherry (Pondicherry) have their own Legislative Assemblies and High Courts.
- Which of the above statements is/ are correct?
- (a) 1 only (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2 (d) Neither 1 nor 2
58. 'Brasilia Declaration' is related to
- (a) Disaster Management  
(b) Cyber Security  
(c) Road Safety  
(d) Intellectual Property Rights
59. Which one of the following statements is incorrect?
- (a) The Vice President of India holds office for a period of five years  
(b) The Vice President of India can be removed by a simple majority of votes passed in the Rajya Sabha only  
(c) The Vice President of India continues to be in office even after the expiry of his term till his successor takes over  
(d) The Supreme Court of India has to look into all disputes with regard to the election of the Vice - President of India
60. Consider the following with reference to Anti Protecting Authority:
- (1) It will have powers to take action against the companies that are not paying on the benefits of lower tax incidence to end users.  
(2) It can only order the cancellation of companies' registration under GST in case of violations.  
(3) The authority will exist only for a period of two years after its constitution.
- Choose the correct answer from the codes given below :
- (a) 1 and 2 (b) 3 only  
(c) 2 and 3 (d) 1, 2 and 3

61. Consider the following statements :
- (1) The President may, by writing under his hand addressed to the Vice-President, resign from his office.
- (2) Executive power of the Union is vested in the President.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
62. Consider the following statements with reference to INAM - Pro :
- (1) It is a web portal launched by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways.
- (2) INAM Pro is a common platform to bring cement buyers and sellers together to make it very convenient for the buyers to procure cement at reasonable rate.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
63. The Constitution provides that a House of Parliament may declare a seat vacant:
- (1) in the case of a member who is guilty of breach of privilege of the House.
- (2) in the case of a member who has been absent for 60 days without the permission of the House.
- (3) if a member is sentenced to one year or more imprisonment by a court of law.
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below :
- (a) 1 and 3                      (b) 1 and 2  
(c) 2 only                        (d) 1, 2 and 3
64. Which of the following figures are presented as part of the Budget presentation in Parliament?
- (1) Budgeted receipts and expenses for the next Financial Year (FY)
- (2) Budgeted receipts and expenses for the current FY.
- (3) Revised receipts and expenses for the current FY.
- (4) Actual receipts and expenses for the last FY.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 1 only                        (b) 1 and 2  
(c) 1, 2, and 3                (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
65. The Inter-State Council consists of
- (1) Prime Minister
- (2) Chief Ministers of all States
- (3) Chief Ministers of Union Territories with Legislatures
- (4) All Union Cabinet Ministers
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1, 2 and 4                (b) 1 and 3  
(c) 1 and 4                      (d) 1, 2 and 3
66. Consider the following statements regarding presentation of Budget in the Parliament:
- (1) Finance Bill is introduced on the very first day when the Finance Minister presents Budget in the Parliament

- (2) Appropriation Bill is introduced after the voting on demand for grants is over
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
67. Consider the following statements:
- (1) The expenditure to be incurred by the Government and the revenue to be collected by way of taxes must be approved by both the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha .
- (2) The charge of impeachment against the President of India can be brought about by only Lok Sabha and not Rajya Sabha .
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only  
(b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2  
(d) Neither 1 nor 2
68. Which of the following are Non Tax Receipts of the Central Government?
- (1) Issue of Passport and Visa  
(2) Registration of Companies  
(3) Royalty from on shore oilfields  
(4) Royalty from offshore oilfields
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 1, 2 and 3  
(c) 1, 2 and 4                (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
69. Which of the following are the methods of Parliamentary control over Public Finance in India?
- (1) Placing Annual Financial Statement before Parliament.
- (2) Withdrawal of money from Consolidated Fund of India only after passing the Appropriation Bill.
- (3) Provisions of supplementary grants and vote-on-account.
- (4) A periodic or at least a mid-year review of programme of the government against macroeconomic forecasts and expenditure by a Parliamentary Budget Office.
- Select the correct answer form the codes given below :
- (a) 1, 2 and 3                (b) 1, 2 and 4  
(c) 3 and 4                    (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
70. Which of the following are non-debt capital receipts of Govt. of India?
- (1) Disinvestment            (2) Recovery of loans  
(3) Public Account receipts  
(4) Treasury Bills
- Select the correct answer from the codes given below:
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 1 and 2  
(c) 3 and 4                    (d) 1, 2 and 3
71. Put the following in ascending order with regard to their year of creation.
- (1) Andhra Pradesh  
(2) Gujarat                    (3) Nagaland  
(4) Meghalaya                (5) Haryana
- (a) 2 - 1 - 3 - 4 - 5        (b) 2 - 1 - 3 - 5 - 4  
(c) 1 - 2 - 3 - 5 - 4        (d) 2 - 5 - 1 - 3 - 4

72. "Tax Buoyancy" in the economy is defined as:
- (1) Ratio of percentage change in tax revenue to percentage change in GDP.
  - (2) Ratio of change in tax revenue to change in GDP.
  - (3) Percentage increase in tax revenues as measured from previous year.
  - (4) Incremental change in tax revenues required to increase the GDP by one percent
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 1 and 2
  - (c) 3 only                      (d) 2 and 4
73. The Prime Minister of India, at the time of his/her appointment
- (a) need not necessarily be a member of one of the Houses of the Parliament but must become a member of one of the Houses within six months
  - (b) need not necessarily be a member of one of the Houses of the Parliament but must become a member of the LoK Sabha within six months
  - (c) must be a member of one of the Houses of the Parliament
  - (d) must be a member of the Lock Sabha
74. The money accruing from the sale of "National Savings Certificates" goes to which account of the Government of India?
- (a) Consolidated Fund of India
  - (b) Prime Minister's National Relief Fund
  - (c) Public Account of India
  - (d) Contingency Fund of India
75. Consider the following statements with reference to the Constitution of India:
- (1) The Council of Ministers of the Union are responsible to both the Houses of Parliament
  - (2) The President of India cannot appoint any one as Union Minister not recommended by Prime Minister
- 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. Consider the following statements with respect to Digi Locker:
- (1) Indian citizens who sign up for a DigiLocker account get a dedicated cloud storage space that is linked to their Aadhaar (UIDAI) number.
  - (2) The e-sign facility provided as part of DigiLocker system can be used to digitally sign e-documents.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) Only 1                      (b) Only 2
  - (c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2
77. Which of the following statements is correct with regard to the Indian Constitution?
- (1) It is the lengthiest written Constitution.
  - (2) It provides a blend of rigidity and flexibility.
  - (3) It is a synthesis of Parliamentary Sovereignty and Judicial Supremacy.
- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 1 and 3
  - (c) 2 and 3                      (d) 1, 2 and 3
78. Consider the following statements with regard to Mega Food Parks:
- (1) A minimum area of 50 acres is required to establish a Mega Food Park.

<p>(2) Ministry of Agriculture is implementing the Mega Food Park scheme in the country.</p> <p>Which of the above statements is/are correct?</p> <p>(a) Only 1                      (b) Only 2</p> <p>(c) Both 1 and 2              (d) Neither 1 nor 2</p> <p>79. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) Salary and allowances of the Speaker for Lok Sabha are charged on the Consolidated Fund of India .</p> <p>(2) In the ‘Warrant of Precedence’, the Speaker of Lok Sabha ranks higher than all the Union Cabinet Ministers other than the Prime Minister .</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>80. What does ‘Revenue Neutral Tax Rate’ mean in reference to the Goods and Services Tax?</p> <p>(a) The rate at which tax revenues for States and Centre will remain the same as before GST</p> <p>(b) The tax rate will be same for the Centre and State</p> <p>(c) The tax rate at which Central and States revenues will be same</p> <p>(d) All of the above</p> <p>81. Consider the following statements about democracy:</p> <p>(1) Democracy is a government of the people, for the people and by the people.</p> <p>(2) Democracy is rule by the majority.</p> <p>(3) Democracy provides an opportunity to the people to voice their grievances in a peaceful manner.</p>	<p>(4) Democracy always leads to disintegration of the society.</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1, 2, 3 and 4              (b) 2, 3 and 4</p> <p>(c) 1 and 4                      (d) 1, 2 and 3</p> <p>82. Which of the following is not a parameter for horizontal distribution of central tax proceeds within the states as per the Fourteenth Finance Commission report?</p> <p>(a) Population and Demographic change</p> <p>(b) Fiscal Discipline</p> <p>(c) Area and Forest Cover</p> <p>(d) Income Distance</p> <p>83. Consider the following statements :</p> <p>(1) A person can be appointed as Governor of more than one state.</p> <p>(2) A Governor's salary is charged on the Consolidated Fund of India.</p> <p>(3) Governor's salary is shared by the concerned States.</p> <p>(4) Governor's salary is paid by the State named by the President.</p> <p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 and 2                      (b) 1 and 4</p> <p>(c) 1 and 3                      (d) 2 and 4</p> <p>84. Which of the following issues the ‘World Development Report’ periodically?</p> <p>(a) World Bank</p> <p>(b) International Monetary Fund</p> <p>(c) European Bank for Reconstruction and Development</p> <p>(d) Asian Development Bank</p>
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85. Consider the following statements regarding the Governor of a State:
- (1) To be appointed as Governor, one should have completed the age of 45 years.
  - (2) The Governor holds office during the pleasure of the President.
  - (3) After completing five years in office, the Governor can not continue to hold the office even when his successor has not entered upon his office.
  - (4) The executive power of the State is vested in the Governor.
- Which of the above statements are correct?
- (a) 1 and 2                      (b) 2, 3 and 4  
(c) 1, 2 and 3                (d) 2 and 4
86. Central government has regulated (notified MRP) the price of Bt cotton seeds under which of the following acts?
- (a) Essential Commodities Act 1955
  - (b) Agricultural Produce Marketing Committee Act (APMC), enacted by States
  - (c) The Prevention of Black Marketing and Maintenance of Supplies of Essential Commodities Act, 1980
  - (d) Food Products Order 1956
87. Consider the following statements:
- (1) The Governor of a State in India nominates to the Legislative Council, where it exists, one-sixth of its members.
  - (2) The Governor of a State in India may nominate to the Legislative Assembly one person from the Anglo-Indian Community if he feels the community needs representation.
- Which of the above statements is/are correct?
- (a) 1 only                      (b) 2 only  
(c) Both 1 and 2            (d) Neither 1 nor 2
88. Consider the following statements regarding the 'Price Stabilization Fund' launched under the Ministry of Agriculture:
- (1) It will promote direct purchase of produce from farmers
  - (2) It will maintain a strategic buffer stock
  - (3) It will protect consumers by supplying commodities at reasonable prices
  - (4) It is a kind of market intervention scheme
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below:
- (a) 2 only                      (b) 2 and 3  
(c) 1, 2, 3                    (d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
89. The Monterrey consensus is an outcome of which of the following?
- (a) The United Nations International conference on Financing for Development
  - (b) WTO trade framework for developed nations
  - (c) Common framework for all central banks for international financial stability
  - (d) Cyber security guidelines for all UN members.
90. Consider the following statements regarding the 'Nutrient Based Subsidy' Scheme:
- (1) It is given for phosphatic and potassic fertilizers
  - (2) It is given for urea
  - (3) The prices of fertilizers under nutrient based scheme are regulated by the government

<p>(4) Subsidy is based on per kg of nutrients present in the fertilizer</p> <p>Select the correct answer using the code given below:</p> <p>(a) 1 and 3                      (b) 2 and 3 (c) 1 and 4                      (d) 3 and 4</p> <p>91. Which of the following changes is affected during the Emergency due to constitutional breakdown of the State machinery?</p> <p>(1) The President can assume to himself all or any of the functions of the Government of the State.</p> <p>(2) The President can assume the powers of the High Court of the State.</p> <p>(3) The President can declare that the powers of the Legislature of the State shall be exercised by the Parliament.</p> <p>Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:</p> <p>(a) 1, 2 and 3                      (b) 1 and 2 (c) 1 only                          (d) 1 and 3</p> <p>92. Which of the following department/agency is in charge of the financial policy in regard to the utilization of the proceeds of disinvestment?</p> <p>(a) Department of Economic Affairs (b) Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (c) Department of Expenditure (d) None of the above</p> <p>93. Consider the following statements:</p> <p>(1) No court has the power to compel the Governors to exercise or not to exercise any power or to perform or not to perform any duty.</p>	<p>(2) The Governor cannot be prosecuted in a civil or criminal court for anything done by him.</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>94. Enforcement Directorate enforces which of the following laws:</p> <p>(1) Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA) Act 1999 (2) Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) 2002</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> <p>95. The main difference between the pardoning power of the President and Governor is</p> <p>(1) Unlike the President, Governor has no power to grant any relief in death sentences. (2) Governor cannot pardon in matters enlisted in the Union List. (3) Governor cannot pardon in cases of Court Martial.</p> <p>(a) 1 and 2                          (b) 1 and 3 (c) 2 and 3                          (d) 1, 2 and 3</p> <p>96. If government favours certain companies which are sourcing certain products domestically, then it is a violation of which of the following WTO principle/Agreement?</p> <p>(a) Free trade (b) National Treatment (NT) (c) Most Favoured Nation (MFN) (d) Trade Facilitation Agreement</p>
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97. Consider the following statements:

(1) The Inter-State Council is a recommendatory body on issues relating to Inter-State, Centre-State and Centre-Union Territories relations.

(2) Zonal Councils are constitutional bodies.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

(a) 1 only

(b) 2 only

(c) Both 1 and 2

(d) Neither 1 nor 2

98. Which ministry/department grants 'Infrastructure Status' to the various sectors:

(a) Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance

(b) Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance

(c) Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

(d) None of the above

99. Which of the following steps can be taken by the President during Financial Emergency?

(1) Direct the Union and the State Governments to observe such canons of financial propriety as he deems desirable.

(2) Suspend the Fundamental Rights of the Indian citizens.

(3) Order reduction of salaries and allowances of all or any class of persons serving in connection with the affairs of the Union or a State.

(4) Order the reduction of the salaries of the Supreme Court and High Court Judges.

Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

(a) 1, 3 and 4

(b) 1, 2 and 4

(c) 2, 3 and 4

(d) 1, 2 and 3

100. Which state has become the first Indian state to introduce minimum wages for part time workers?

(a) Madhya Pradesh

(b) Rajasthan

(c) Uttar Pradesh

(d) Kerala