

## UPSC CDS 1 2021 PYQ

1. Which one of the following statements is **not** correct ?

- (a) Real GDP is calculated by valuing outputs of different years at common prices.
- (b) Potential GDP is the real GDP that the economy would produce if its resources were fully employed.
- (c) Nominal GDP is calculated by valuing outputs of different years at constant prices.
- (d) Real GDP per capita is the ratio of real GDP divided by population.

Ans- C

2. The mismatch in the regional or occupational pattern of job vacancies and the pattern of worker availability results in

- (a) Structural unemployment
- (b) Disguised unemployment
- (c) Altered unemployment
- (d) Cyclical unemployment

Ans- A

- 3. The situation in an economy which is growing slowly along with rapid inflation (rising price level) is called**
- (a) Stagnation
  - (b) Deflation
  - (c) Stagflation
  - (d) Recession

Ans- C

- 4. The increase in private investment spending induced by the increase in Government spending is known as**
- (a) Crowding in
  - (b) Deficit financing
  - (c) Crowding out
  - (d) Pumping out

Ans- A

- 5. The asset or assets that a borrower pledges in order to guarantee repayment of a loan is called as**
- (a) Cheque
  - (b) Collateral
  - (c) Guarantee card
  - (d) Bond

Ans- B

6. The percentage by which the money the borrower pays back exceeds the money that was borrowed is called as
- (a) Bank rate
  - (b) Nominal interest rate
  - (c) Real interest rate
  - (d) Terms of credit

Ans- B

7. Which one of the following statements about the Gandhi-Irwin Pact of 1931 is correct ?
- (a) The Government would not release those prisoners who had been non-violent.
  - (b) The Government would not release those prisoners who had indulged in the peaceful picketing of liquor and foreign cloth shops.
  - (c) The Congress did not agree to the suspension of the Civil Disobedience Movement.
  - (d) The Congress agreed to take part in the Second Round Table Conference.

Ans- D

**8.** Who among the following founded the Bhil Seva Mandal in 1922 ?

- (a) Dayaram Gidumal
- (b) Gurusaday Dutt
- (c) Dhondo Keshav Karve
- (d) Amritlal Vithaldas Thakkar

Ans- D

**9.** In 1911, who among the following introduced a bill in the Imperial Legislative Council for introduction of compulsory and free primary education in India ?

- (a) Dadabhai Naoroji
- (b) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- (c) Sir Harcourt Butler
- (d) Gopal Krishna Gokhale

Ans- D

**10.** Which one of the following statements about the Act V of 1843 relating to Slavery in India is correct ?

- (a) It gave the masters the right to wilfully keep their slaves tied to their estates.
- (b) It denied the masters the use of Courts to assert their claims on slaves.
- (c) The Law Courts and masters worked jointly in resolving the cases of desertion.
- (d) The slaves became the owners of the land.

Ans- B

**11.** Which Maratha statesman signed the Treaty of Bassein on December 31, 1802 ?

- (a) Baji Rao II
- (b) Vithuji Holkar
- (c) Daulat Rao Sindhia
- (d) Madhava Rao Narayan

Ans- A

**12.** The *Amara-Nayaka* system was a major political innovation of which Indian imperial rulers ?

- (a) Cholas
- (b) Chalukyas
- (c) Guptas
- (d) Vijayanagara

Ans- D

**13.** KIRAN (Knowledge Involvement in Research Advancement through Nurturing) is an initiative to provide opportunities to women scientists who

- (a) had a break in their career due to family reasons.
- (b) are pursuing innovative research in life sciences.
- (c) have collaborative projects with labs in foreign countries.
- (d) have leading edge projects in Nano-Science and Technology.

Ans- A

**14.** NIDHI is an umbrella scheme for the promotion of

- (a) young and aspiring innovators.
- (b) scientific research.
- (c) primary health care.
- (d) primary education in rural areas.

Ans- A

**15.** The Saubhagya Scheme aims at universal

- (a) LPG connection.
- (b) household electrification.
- (c) primary school education.
- (d) public health insurance.

Ans- B

**16.** Mission Indradhanush aims at

- (a) reducing child deaths due to pneumonia.
- (b) reducing the impact of rotavirus.
- (c) elimination of maternal tetanus.
- (d) full immunisation of children.

Ans- D

17. Which one of the following statements about the DDU – GKY is *not* correct ?

- (a) It is a skill training programme.
- (b) It is for rural youth from poor families.
- (c) Its objective is placement in wage employment.
- (d) It relies entirely on skill training by Government agencies.

Ans- D

18. Which of the following statements about the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana are correct ?

- 1. It is part of Government of India's poverty reduction strategy.
- 2. It is a centrally sponsored scheme for rural development.
- 3. It provides connectivity in rural areas.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- A

**19.** India's territorial limit extends towards the sea up to

- (a) 10 nautical miles
- (b) 12 nautical miles
- (c) 14 nautical miles
- (d) 15 nautical miles

Ans- B

**20.** Which one of the following is a cold ocean current ?

- (a) Brazilian Current
- (b) Gulf Stream
- (c) North Equatorial Current
- (d) California Current

Ans- D

**21.** Identify the type of soil on the basis of the given characteristics :

1. They are rich in lime, iron, magnesia and alumina.
2. They are generally clayey, deep and impermeable.
3. They are mainly found in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat.

Select the correct answer from the given alternatives :

- (a) Laterite soil
- (b) Red and yellow soil
- (c) Saline soil
- (d) Black soil

Ans- D

**25.** Which one of the following is *not* a function of money ?

- (a) Acts as an intermediate in the exchange process
- (b) Acts as a store of value
- (c) Used as the unit of account
- (d) Used for regulating consumption

Ans- D

**26.** The situation where the equilibrium level of real GDP falls short of potential GDP is known as

- (a) Recessionary gap
- (b) Inflationary gap
- (c) Demand-side inflation
- (d) Supply-side inflation

Ans- A

**27.** The excess of total expenditure of Government over its total receipts, excluding borrowings, is known as

- (a) Primary deficit
- (b) Fiscal deficit
- (c) Current deficit
- (d) Capital deficit

Ans- B

28. Exchange rates state the value of one currency in terms of other currencies. Which one of the following statements with respect to the exchange rate of currency is correct ?

- (a) Floating exchange rates are rates in which the Governments interfere by buying or selling their currencies.
- (b) Fixed exchange rates are rates set by Government decisions and maintained by Government actions.
- (c) Under the Bretton Woods System, the exchange rates are floated in terms of rise or fall in price of gold.
- (d) Under the classical gold standard, the exchange rates are fixed in terms of price of dollar.

Ans- B

31. Which one of the following statements with regard to ryotwari settlement is *not* correct ?

- (a) In southern and western India, the ryotwari settlement was adopted.
- (b) Ryotwari was in principle a direct contract between the ryot and the state.
- (c) It means a tax contract valid for usually 30 years.
- (d) In principle, it strengthened the former elite, the zamindars and weakened the peasantry.

Ans- D

**32.** Which one of the following statements about the British Indian Medical Service (IMS) is **not** correct ?

- (a) IMS began in 1764.
- (b) It recruited health professionals by means of a competitive examination.
- (c) Indians were never admitted to IMS.
- (d) The IMS was at first meant to look after the troops.

Ans- C

**33.** When was the monopoly of China trade lost by East India Company ?

- (a) 1813
- (b) 1833
- (c) 1838
- (d) 1860

Ans- B

**34.** National Disaster Management Authority is headed by

- (a) the Prime Minister.
- (b) the Home Minister.
- (c) the President.
- (d) the Health Minister.

Ans- A

**35.** Which of the following statements regarding the 'casting vote' in the Parliament is/are correct ?

1. It is cast by the speaker or a person acting as such.
2. It is cast in addition to voting in the first instance.
3. It is cast in the case of equality of votes.
4. It is always cast to maintain the status quo.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- B

**36.** Equality before the law or equal protection of the laws within the territory of India is guaranteed under which one of the following Articles of the Constitution of India ?

- (a) Article 14
- (b) Article 15
- (c) Article 16
- (d) Article 22

Ans- A

**37.** 'Legal Positivism' theory was developed by

- (a) T.H. Green
- (b) Thomas Hobbes
- (c) John Austin
- (d) Patrick Devlin

Ans- C

**38.** Who among the following said that Democracy means a system of 'Government by Consent' ?

- (a) John Locke
- (b) J.S. Mill
- (c) Jeremy Bentham
- (d) J.J. Rousseau

Ans- A

**39.** Milpa and Ladang are different names for

- (a) shifting cultivation.
- (b) mixed farming.
- (c) truck farming.
- (d) plantation agriculture.

Ans- A

**40.** Which one of the following approaches of human development was initially proposed by the International Labour Organisation (ILO) and emphasised on health, education, food, water supply, sanitation and housing ?

- (a) Welfare approach
- (b) Basic needs approach
- (c) Income approach
- (d) Capability approach

Ans- B

**41.** Which one of the following tributaries of river Indus feeds the canal system of the Bhakra Nangal Project ?

- (a) Chenab
- (b) Satluj
- (c) Ravi
- (d) Jhelum

Ans- B

**42.** When the rivers discharge their waters from all directions into a lake or depression, the pattern is known as

- (a) Trellis
- (b) Dendritic
- (c) Radial
- (d) Centripetal

Ans- D

43. Which one of the following statements about the Coriolis force is *not* correct ?

- (a) It is maximum at the Poles.
- (b) It is absent at the Equator.
- (c) It deflects the wind to the right direction in the southern hemisphere.
- (d) It deflects the wind to the right direction in the northern hemisphere.

Ans- C

44. Chronologically arrange the following treaties/conventions signed between the Marathas and the British (starting with the earliest) :

- 1. Treaty of Salbai
- 2. Treaty of Purandar
- 3. Convention of Wadgaon
- 4. Treaty of Surat

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- A

45. Which of the following statements about the Sanyasi and Faqir disturbances/rebellions are correct ?

1. Governor-General Warren Hastings faced the persistent Sanyasi and Faqir disturbances in Bengal and Bihar.
2. There were a number of Shaivite Naga Sanyasis who formed into armed bands.
3. Majnu Shah, who led bands into Bengal from 1771, was their prominent leader.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- B

46. In 1943, young leaders in which one of the following districts of Maharashtra set up a parallel Government (*prati sarkar*) with volunteer corps (*seva dals*) and village units (*tufan dals*) ?

- (a) Pune
- (b) Nasik
- (c) Nagpur
- (d) Satara

Ans- D

47. Who founded the Central Hindu School at Benaras which was later developed into Benaras Hindu University ?

- (a) Madan Mohan Malaviya
- (b) Annie Besant
- (c) Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar
- (d) Madame H.P. Blavatsky

Ans- B

48. Which one among the following is *not* a feature of centralization ?

- (a) National unity
- (b) Uniformity
- (c) Prosperity
- (d) Liberty

Ans- D

**49.** Which one of the following is *not* an objective of NITI Aayog ?

- (a) It provides a critical direction and strategic input for development process.
- (b) It functions as a 'think tank' in providing key elements of policy.
- (c) It monitors and evaluates the implementation of the programmes.
- (d) It offers a platform for resolution of inter-state conflicts as 'provider of first and last resort'.

Ans- D

**50.** Article 231 of the Constitution of India grants power to establish a common High Court for two or more states to

- (a) the Parliament.
- (b) the Supreme Court.
- (c) the President of India.
- (d) the Union Cabinet.

Ans- A

**51.** Which one among the following motions **cannot** be made while introducing an ordinary Bill in the Parliament ?

- (a) That the Bill be taken into consideration
- (b) That the Bill be circulated for the purpose of eliciting public opinion
- (c) That the Bill be referred to a Select Committee
- (d) That the Bill be referred to a Joint Committee of the House without the concurrence of the other House

Ans- D

**52.** Which one among the following was eliminated by the 44<sup>th</sup> Amendment Act of the Parliament ?

- (a) Right against Exploitation
- (b) Right to Constitutional Remedies
- (c) Right to Property
- (d) Right to Education

Ans- C

**53.** Identify the crop on the basis of the following characteristics :

1. It is a kharif crop.
2. Aus, Aman and Boro are its three different growing periods in an agricultural year.
3. About one-fourth of the total cropped area of India is under its cultivation.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

- (a) Wheat
- (b) Rice
- (c) Pulses
- (d) Cotton

Ans- B

**56.** Which one of the following statements about primary waves of earthquakes is *not* correct ?

- (a) They are similar to sound waves.
- (b) They can travel only through solid materials.
- (c) They travel through gaseous, liquid and solid materials.
- (d) They move faster and are the first to arrive at the surface.

Ans- B

**57.** Alluvial soils vary in nature from sandy loam to clay. They are generally

- (a) poor in potash and rich in phosphorus.
- (b) poor in both potash and phosphorus.
- (c) rich in both potash and phosphorus.
- (d) rich in potash and poor in phosphorus.

Ans- D

**58.** Who among the following was popularly known as 'Lokahitwadi' ?

- (a) Gopal Hari Deshmukh
- (b) Mahadev Govind Ranade
- (c) Gopal Krishna Gokhale
- (d) Jyotiba Phule

Ans- A

**59.** Who among the following socialist activists persuaded Gandhiji *not* to restrict the salt march protest to men alone ?

- (a) Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay
- (b) Sarojini Naidu
- (c) Matangini Hazra
- (d) Mithuben Petit

Ans- A

60. Which one of the following painters was *not* associated with Humayun ?

- (a) Mir Sayyid Ali
- (b) Maulana Dost Musawir
- (c) Maulana Yusuf
- (d) Bihzad

Ans- D

61. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists :

	<i>List I</i> (Author)	<i>List II</i> (Poetical work)
A.	Brindavan Das	1. <i>Shivasankirttan</i>
B.	Krishnadas Kaviraj	2. <i>Chandimangal</i>
C.	Mukundaram Chakravarti	3. <i>Chaitanyacharitamrita</i>
D.	Rameshwar Bhattacharya	4. <i>Chaitanyamangal</i>

**Code :**

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
(a)	4	2	3	1
(b)	4	3	2	1
(c)	1	3	2	4
(d)	1	2	3	4

Ans- B

**62.** Which one of the following scholars of Akbar's court translated Bhaskaracharya's *Lilavati* into Persian ?

- (a) Abul Fazl
- (b) Faizi
- (c) Fathullah Shirazi
- (d) Ataullah Rashidi

Ans- B

**63.** Who among the following was the Chairman of the National Commission for Review of the Working of the Constitution (2000) ?

- (a) Justice M.N. Venkatachaliah
- (b) Justice J.S. Verma
- (c) Justice Ranganath Mishra
- (d) Justice Y.K. Sabharwal

Ans- A

**64.** M.M. Punchhi Commission on Centre-State Relations has recommended the disposal of a bill reserved for the consideration of the Union Executive within

- (a) four months.
- (b) six months.
- (c) eight months.
- (d) five months.

Ans- B

**67.** Which of the following statements with regard to the creation of a new state or alteration of boundaries of states is/are correct ?

1. An amendment has to be moved in the Parliament under Article 368 of the Constitution of India.
2. Ratification by one half of the states is necessary after the amendment is made by the Parliament.
3. The legislation can be passed by a simple majority of both Houses of Parliament.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- C

**69.** Which one of the following water bodies separates the Andaman and the Nicobar islands ?

- (a) Gulf of Mannar
- (b) Ten Degree Channel
- (c) Eleven Degree Channel
- (d) Palk Strait

Ans- B

71. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists :

	<i>List I</i>	<i>List II</i>
A.	Cyclones	1. Western Australia
B.	Hurricanes	2. South China Sea
C.	Typhoons	3. Indian Ocean
D.	Willy-willies	4. Atlantic Ocean

**Code :**

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
(a)	3	2	4	1
(b)	3	4	2	1
(c)	1	4	2	3
(d)	1	2	4	3

Ans- B

72. Which of the following is/are social security scheme(s) ?

1. Atal Pension Yojana
2. Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana
3. Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- C

**73.** Which one of the following units is *not* a part of All India Radio's Transcription and Programme Exchange Service ?

- (a) Central Archives
- (b) Sound Archives
- (c) Advanced Research Unit
- (d) Transcription Unit

Ans- C

**74.** Which of the following statements about the Panchayati Raj System are correct ?

1. All seats in a Panchayat are filled by persons chosen by direct election.
2. The 'Gram Sabha' consists of persons registered in the village electoral rolls.
3. The Chairperson of a Panchayat is elected in accordance with a law passed by each state.
4. All states in India have a three-tier system of Panchayats.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- B

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

1. The elections to the Panchayat are conducted by the State Election Commission.
2. The State Election Commissioner is appointed by the Chief Election Commissioner of India.
3. The State Legislatures have the power to make laws on all matters relating to Panchayat elections.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- D

77. Which one of the following statements about the composition of the Parliament is *not* correct ?

- (a) Representatives of the states in Rajya Sabha are elected directly by the people.
- (b) Representatives from Union Territories in Lok Sabha are chosen by direct elections.
- (c) Rajya Sabha has 12 nominated members.
- (d) Lok Sabha has seats reserved for SCs and STs.

Ans- A

78. Which among the following fundamental rights is/are available to non-citizens ?

1. Freedom of speech
2. Protection against self-incrimination
3. Freedom of conscience
4. Non-discrimination in matters of employment

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- C

79. Which one of the following statements about the Vice-President of India is *not* correct ?

- (a) He is not eligible for re-election.
- (b) He must not be less than 35 years of age.
- (c) He is elected by members of an electoral college consisting of members of both Houses of Parliament.
- (d) His term of office is five years.

Ans- A

**80.** A motion of no-confidence is moved against

- (a) an individual Minister.
- (b) the Council of Ministers.
- (c) the Prime Minister.
- (d) a political party.

Ans- B

**82.** Which one of the following is *not* a member of the Quad group of nations ?

- (a) France
- (b) USA
- (c) Australia
- (d) Japan

Ans- A

**83.** The first phase of Exercise Malabar, 2020 was conducted at

- (a) Port Blair
- (b) Mumbai
- (c) Visakhapatnam
- (d) Kochi

Ans- C

**85.** The Luhri Hydro-Electric Power Project is being constructed on the river

- (a) Satluj
- (b) Beas
- (c) Ravi
- (d) Chenab

Ans- A

**88.** Which one of the following ships was involved in 'Mission Sagar – II' ?

- (a) INS Shakti
- (b) INS Vikramaditya
- (c) INS Kesari
- (d) INS Airavat

Ans- D

**89.** In the year 2020 which one of the following tiger reserves of India was declared by UNESCO as a Biosphere Reserve ?

- (a) Panna Tiger Reserve
- (b) Namdapha Tiger Reserve
- (c) Dudhwa Tiger Reserve
- (d) Pench Tiger Reserve

Ans- A

**90.** The Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation System, which was in the news recently, is constructed in

- (a) Kerala
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Telangana
- (d) Maharashtra

Ans- C

- 92.** A child receives a tall beautiful plant as a birthday gift from his father with a quiz. The father asked her how she would verify whether this tall plant was the progeny of both the tall parents or one tall and one short parent plant. She could verify this through
- (a) cross-pollination
  - (b) self-pollination
  - (c) tissue culture
  - (d) negative propagation

Ans- B

- 93.** A student was doing an experiment on increasing the cell division among plants. She asked her supervisor to suggest the specific plant hormone for the same. Had you been her supervisor, which plant hormone would you suggest ?
- (a) Abscisic acid
  - (b) Gibberellins
  - (c) Cytokinin
  - (d) Auxin

Ans - C

**109.** An antibiotic is not useful against a virus whereas a vaccine is. Which one of the following is the most appropriate reason for this ?

- (a) An antibiotic can break RNA only, whereas virus has DNA.
- (b) An antibiotic is a carbohydrate in its chemical nature, whereas a vaccine is a protein which works well to kill a virus.
- (c) Only a vaccine can break the genetic material of a virus.
- (d) A virus does not use biochemical pathways which can be blocked by an antibiotic. But a vaccine can boost an immune system to fight the virus.

Ans- D

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16. While studying vegetation of an area, terms like 'population' and 'community' are often used. Which one of the following statements best describes a population ?

- (a) A group of organisms of one species, living in the same area at the same time.
- (b) A group of organisms of one species living in different areas during different seasons.
- (c) A unit consisting of biotic and abiotic components.
- (d) A group of organisms of more than one species, living in the same area at the same time.

Ans- A

17. In the human body, blood flows through a process of double circulation. Which one of the following statements is true in this regard ?

- (a) Oxygenated blood reaches the left side of the heart from the lungs.
- (b) Blood in the left side of the heart is poor in oxygen and is brought to the right side of the heart.
- (c) Deoxygenated blood from the left side of the heart is brought to the lungs for oxygenation.
- (d) Oxygenated blood from the right side of the heart is sent around the body.

Ans- A

18. In which of the following groups of organisms, is food material broken down outside the body and absorbed ?

- (a) Yeast, mushroom, bread mould
- (b) Mushroom, *Amoeba*, green plants
- (c) Caserta, tapeworm, lice
- (d) *Paramecium*, *Amoeba*, Caserta

Ans- A

**31.** The federation of which one of the following States has been described as “an indestructible union of indestructible states” ?

- (a) India
- (b) U.S.A.
- (c) Canada
- (d) Australia

Ans- B

**32.** Who among the following is the author of the famous essay, *The End of History and the Last Man* ?

- (a) Francis Fukuyama
- (b) Daniel Bell
- (c) Abraham Lincoln
- (d) Anthony Giddens

Ans- A

33. Which one of the following statements is *not* correct ?

- (a) Allahabad High Court has a Bench at Lucknow.
- (b) Madhya Pradesh High Court has a Bench at Gwalior.
- (c) Rajasthan High Court is located at Jodhpur.
- (d) Guwahati High Court has no Bench.

Ans- D

34. Which among the following is *not* a condition for the disqualification of a Member of Parliament ?

- (a) Voluntary acquisition of citizenship of a foreign country
- (b) Holding the office of the Chairperson of the National Commission for Women
- (c) The Member abstains from voting in the House without prior permission
- (d) The Member holds the office of the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National Coal Development Corporation Ltd.

Ans- B

35. Who among the following considered the Directive Principles of State Policy as aiming at 'furthering the goals of social exclusion' ?

- (a) B.N. Rau
- (b) Granville Austin
- (c) K.C. Wheare
- (d) Rajni Kothari

Ans- B

36. D performs her train journey by the shortest route from Bengaluru to New Delhi. Which one of the following rivers will she **not** cross while performing the journey ?

- (a) Narmada
- (b) Yamuna
- (c) Godavari
- (d) Krishna

Ans- B

**37.** Identify the State on the basis of the following characteristics :

1. Tropic of Cancer passes through the State.
2. The State has more north-south extension.
3. The State has international border with Bangladesh and Myanmar.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

- (a) Tripura
- (b) Mizoram
- (c) Nagaland
- (d) Manipur

Ans- B

**38.** M wants to visit a place in a Union Territory, which is located at  $34^{\circ}$  N and  $77^{\circ}$  E. Which one of the following Union Territories must he have planned to visit ?

- (a) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- (b) Lakshadweep
- (c) Puducherry
- (d) Ladakh

Ans- D

**39.** Consider the following statements with respect to the adolescent population (age group of 10 to 19 years) of India, according to the 2011 Census :

1. Adolescent population comprises half the population of the country.
2. The group is regarded as youthful population with high potential.
3. In this group there are greater number of females than males.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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

Ans- B

**40.** In a discussion, M from Arunachal Pradesh, J from Assam, N from Meghalaya and S from Nagaland are claiming that as per Census 2011, their State has the maximum density of population. Identify the person making the correct claim.

- (a) M
- (b) J
- (c) N
- (d) S

Ans- B

41. Who among the following ancient Indian kings was praised in glowing terms in the *Prayaga Prashasti* ?
- (a) Ashoka
  - (b) Harshavardhana
  - (c) Samudragupta
  - (d) Bindusara

Ans- C

42. The Self-Respect Movement was initiated by
- (a) B.R. Ambedkar
  - (b) Jyotiba Phule
  - (c) E.V. Ramaswamy Naicker
  - (d) Jawaharlal Nehru

Ans- C

43. The location of the ancient city of Taxila (Takshshila), mentioned in ancient Indian texts, was identified by
- (a) Alexander Cunnigham
  - (b) R.D. Banerji
  - (c) John Marshall
  - (d) Daya Ram Sahni

Ans- A

44. Who among the following was *not* a Jain Acharya ?

- (a) Bhadrabahu
- (b) Khema
- (c) Haribhadra
- (d) Siddhasena Divakara

Ans- B

45. In India, the first major public appearance of Mahatma Gandhi was in

- (a) Champaran (1917)
- (b) Kheda (1918)
- (c) Inauguration of Banaras Hindu University (1916)
- (d) Rowlatt Satyagraha (1919)

Ans- C

46. Consider the following statements about Patanjali's *Mahabhashya* :

1. It makes a mention of Kautilya.
2. It is a book on grammar and refers to historical personalities only incidentally.

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

Ans- B

47. Which one of the following may lead to movement along the demand curve of a commodity ?

- (a) Change in its price
- (b) Change in price of the other commodities
- (c) Change in income of the consumer
- (d) Change in tastes and preferences of consumers

Ans- A

48. Which one of the following is the opportunity cost of a chosen activity ?

- (a) Out of pocket cost
- (b) Out of pocket cost plus cost incurred by the Government
- (c) Value of all opportunities forgone
- (d) Value of next best alternative that is given up

Ans- D

49. Which one of the following statements in the context of social sector spending in India during 2014 – 19 (both States and the Union Government together) is true ?

- (a) Expenditure on education was 5% of GDP.
- (b) Expenditure on health was 4% of the social services expenditure.
- (c) There was a stagnation in the spending on education as a percent of GDP.
- (d) Health sector spending amounted to 10% of the total expenditure.

Ans- C

**50.** According to UNDP's Human Development Report – 2020, in which of the HDI components has India improved in recent years ?

1. Life expectancy at birth
2. Expected years of schooling
3. GNI per capita
4. Mean years of schooling

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- C

**51.** Which one of the following is true of a pure voluntary exchange between two parties A and B ?

- (a) A can exploit B or vice versa
- (b) Both gain; it is a win-win situation
- (c) If A makes profit, it must be at the cost of B
- (d) Both can lose

Ans- B

**52.** The provision, 'the State shall take steps to separate the Judiciary from the Executive in the public services of the State' is incorporated in which part of the Constitution of India ?

- (a) Part-IV
- (b) Part-V
- (c) Part-VI
- (d) Part-VII

Ans- A

**53.** Which of the following statements are correct ?

1. Speaker may permit any Member to address the House in his/her mother tongue, if he/she cannot adequately express in either Hindi or English.
2. Business of the Parliamentary Committees is transacted either in Hindi or in English.
3. The minutes of the Parliamentary Committees are prepared invariably in Hindi or English.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- A

54. Which one of the following is the correct meaning of the term 'State', as defined in Article 12 of the Constitution of India ?

- (a) It refers only to the Government of India.
- (b) It refers only to the Government of India and the Parliament of India.
- (c) It refers only to the Government of India, Parliament of India, and Governments and Legislatures of each State.
- (d) It refers to the Government of India, Parliament of India, Governments and Legislatures of each State, and all local or other authorities within the territory of India.

Ans- D

55. Which one among the following is the largest State in terms of seats in the Rajya Sabha ?

- (a) Andhra Pradesh
- (b) Bihar
- (c) Rajasthan
- (d) Karnataka

Ans- B

56. Under which Article of the Constitution of India has provision been made for reservation of seats for women in Panchayats ?

- (a) Article 243 B
- (b) Article 243 C
- (c) Article 243 D
- (d) Article 243 E

Ans- C

57. The painted illustration of the moving of the Ashoka Pillar at Topra is found in

- (a) *Tarikh-i-Firuz Shahi*
- (b) *Tarikh-i-Shahi*
- (c) *Sirat-i-Firuz Shahi*
- (d) *Akbar Nama*

Ans- C

58. Which one among the following is a temple of the Vaishnavite tradition ?

- (a) Srirangam
- (b) Chidambaram
- (c) Gangaikonda Cholapuram
- (d) Thanjavur

Ans- A

59. The biography of Shaikh Muinuddin Chishti, authored by Jahanara, is known as

- (a) *Munis al Arwah*
- (b) *Fawaid ul Fuwad*
- (c) *Sirat ul Auliya*
- (d) *Muraqqa-e Dehli*

Ans- A

60. Which one of the following is **not** a political method of the moderates in the National Movement ?

- (a) Overthrow of alien rule
- (b) Constitutional agitation
- (c) Slow, orderly political progress
- (d) Mobilisation of public opinion

Ans- A

62. The call for 'renunciation of (all) voluntary associations with the (British) Government' was given during

- (a) Non-Cooperation Movement.
- (b) Civil Disobedience Movement.
- (c) Quit India Movement.
- (d) Protest against partition of Bengal.

Ans- A

**63.** Which of the following statements is/are correct with respect to Time Zone in India ?

1. There is one standard time for the whole country.
2. Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Lakshadweep Islands have different Time Zones.
3. Indian Standard Time (IST) is five and half hours behind GMT.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- A

**64.** D had recently visited Khardung La, Nubra Valley and several Buddhist monasteries. Which one of the following States / UT had she visited ?

- (a) Himachal Pradesh
- (b) Uttarakhand
- (c) Sikkim
- (d) Ladakh

Ans- D

**65.** Which one of the following States receives rainfall from both the Arabian Sea branch and the Bay of Bengal branch of Monsoon ?

- (a) Punjab
- (b) Maharashtra
- (c) Meghalaya
- (d) Tamil Nadu

Ans- A

**66.** Inceptisols, Entisols, Vertisols and Mollisols are orders of which one of the following ?

- (a) Sugarcane
- (b) Soil
- (c) Coal
- (d) Copper

Ans- B

**67.** S had witnessed contour bunding and contour ploughing while visiting one of the States in India. Identify the State from the options given below.

- (a) Punjab
- (b) Haryana
- (c) Himachal Pradesh
- (d) Rajasthan

Ans- C

68. Which one of the following target groups is the beneficiary of 'Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyan' scheme ?

- (a) All rural women
- (b) All returning migrants
- (c) All below poverty line households
- (d) All new migrants to town

Ans- B

69. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists :

<i>List I</i> (Curve)	<i>List II</i> (Indication)
A. Lorenz curve	1. Inflation and employment
B. Phillips curve	2. Tax rates and tax revenue
C. Engel curve	3. Inequality in distribution of income or wealth
D. Laffer curve	4. Income and proportion of expenditure on food

**Code :**

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
(a)	3	4	1	2
(b)	2	1	4	3
(c)	3	1	4	2
(d)	2	4	1	3

Ans - C

71. Following the Constitution (One Hundred and First Amendment) Act, 2016, the Parliament of India enacted quite a few GST Acts in the year 2017. Which one of the following does *not* fall in this category ?
- (a) The Central Goods and Services Tax Act
  - (b) The Integrated Goods and Services Tax Act
  - (c) The Goods and Services Tax (Compensation to States) Acts
  - (d) The State Goods and Services Tax Act

Ans- D

72. Which one of the following is *not* correct in respect of Directorate of Enforcement ?
- (a) It is a specialized financial investigation agency under the Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance.
  - (b) It enforces the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999.
  - (c) It enforces the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002.
  - (d) It enforces the Prohibition of Benami Property Transaction Act, 1988.

Ans- D

**73.** Which one of the following is *not* correct ?

- (a) Taxes on agricultural income is a subject under the State List.
- (b) Price control is a subject under the Concurrent List.
- (c) Insurance does not come under the Union List.
- (d) 'Forests' is a subject under the Concurrent List.

**Ans- C**

**75.** The Constitution of India guarantees freedom of speech and expression. But the freedom is subject to certain reasonable restrictions imposed by the State. These restrictions may relate to which of the following ?

1. Defamation
2. Decency or morality
3. Incitement to an offence

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- D**

**76.** Which one of the following amendments in the Constitution of India made a Proclamation of Emergency immune from judicial review ?

- (a) 39<sup>th</sup> Amendment
- (b) 40<sup>th</sup> Amendment
- (c) 42<sup>nd</sup> Amendment
- (d) 44<sup>th</sup> Amendment

**Ans- C**

**77.** Which one of the following British officials was elevated to the position of Governor General after the Regulating Act of 1773 ?

- (a) Warren Hastings
- (b) Lord North
- (c) Mountstuart Elphinstone
- (d) Philip Francis

**Ans- A**

**78.** Which of the following ideas was preached by the Kherwar or Sapha Har movement of the 1870s ?

- (a) Acceptance of the Hindu pantheonic order
- (b) Monotheism and internal social reform
- (c) Philosophy of Yoga and Mimansa
- (d) Polytheism

**Ans- B**

79. In which one of the following years was the Poona Sarvajanik Sabha established ?

- (a) 1884
- (b) 1876
- (c) 1869
- (d) 1870

Ans- D

80. Which one of the following was an important Pandya port, celebrated for its pearls in Sangam poems and Greek accounts ?

- (a) Muchiri
- (b) Korkai
- (c) Puhar
- (d) Arikamedu

Ans- B

81. The town of Chisht, from which the Sufi Chishti Silsila derives its name, is located in

- (a) Western Turkey
- (b) Central Afghanistan
- (c) Eastern Iran
- (d) Eastern Iraq

Ans- B

82. The rules for congregational worship (Sangat) involving collective recitation were organized by

- (a) Guru Nanak
- (b) Guru Angad
- (c) Guru Arjan
- (d) Guru Govind Singh

Ans- A

83. Who amongst the following will be at more risk with respect to the earthquake hazard zone specified by the Geological Survey of India ?

- (a) Shahji at Secunderabad
- (b) Ranbir at Indore
- (c) Malti at Pithoragarh
- (d) Maitri at Bhubaneswar

Ans- C

84. The Government wants to prepare a plan for drought prone areas of the country. Which one of the following regions will be predominantly focused ?

- (a) Coastal Andhra Pradesh
- (b) Ganga plains
- (c) North-eastern region
- (d) Kutch region

Ans- D

**85.** Four persons are travelling to different States of India. To whom will you advise to protect oneself from blizzards ?

- (a) The person travelling to Arunachal Pradesh
- (b) The person travelling to Assam
- (c) The person travelling to Tripura
- (d) The person travelling to Odisha

**Ans- A**

**86.** Which one of the following States is *not* prominent for plantation agriculture ?

- (a) Rajasthan
- (b) Assam
- (c) Nagaland
- (d) Kerala

**Ans- A**

87. The distance between which two cities has been reduced by the Atal Tunnel ?

- (a) Bagdogra to Gangtok
- (b) Jammu to Srinagar
- (c) Manali to Leh
- (d) Itanagar to Tawang

**Ans- C**

88. Which one of the following biosphere reserves comprises islands with estuaries, beaches, coral reefs, salt marshes and mangroves ?

- (a) Sunderban biosphere reserve
- (b) Gulf of Mannar biosphere reserve
- (c) Nilgiri biosphere reserve
- (d) Nandadevi biosphere reserve

**Ans- B**

89. Which one of the following is **not** a correct statement with reference to the Constitution of India ?

- (a) The Constitution (Eighty-Fifth) Amendment Act has inserted the 'Right to Education' under Article 21A.
- (b) Article 22 talks about preventive detention.
- (c) Right to Constitutional Remedies is in Part-III of the Constitution.
- (d) Writ jurisdiction of High Courts is wider than the Supreme Court of India.

Ans- A

90. Which one of the following statements about the Cripps Mission is **not** correct ?

- (a) It was sent to India by the British Government in March 1942.
- (b) It proposed that the Constitution of India was to be framed by an elected Constituent Assembly of the Indian people.
- (c) Any province which was not prepared to accept the Constitution would be free to retain its constitutional provisions existing at that time.
- (d) The British Government could enter into a separate constitutional arrangement with any of the acceding provinces.

Ans- D

**91.** Which of the following statements regarding constitutional amendment is/are correct ?

1. The procedure for amendment to the Constitution is provided in Article 368.
2. A Bill to amend the Constitution can be introduced in either House of the Parliament.
3. The special procedure in Article 368 vests constituent powers upon the ordinary legislation.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- B**

**92.** Which one of the following is *not* a circumstance for proclamation of Emergency by the President of India under Article 352 of the Constitution of India ?

- (a) War
- (b) External aggression
- (c) Internal disturbance
- (d) Armed rebellion

**Ans- C**

93. Akbar issued a *Farman* in 1598 permitting in the city of Cambay (Khambhat), Gujarat, the construction of a

- (a) Temple
- (b) Church
- (c) Synagogue
- (d) Jain Upashraya

Ans- B

94. Domingo Paes, the medieval traveller, has described the city of

- (a) Madurai
- (b) Vijayanagara
- (c) Arikamedu
- (d) Gingee

Ans- B

95. The extent of damage caused by earthquake is **not** influenced by which one of the following ?

- (a) Strength of earthquake
- (b) Population density
- (c) Type of building
- (d) Climate of the area

Ans- D

**96.** An avalanche is a type of which one of the following disasters ?

- (a) Atmospheric
- (b) Terrestrial
- (c) Aquatic
- (d) Biological

**Ans- B**

**98.** Streams and rivers coming from the mountains deposit heavy materials of rocks and boulders in

- (a) Khadar
- (b) Bhangar
- (c) Bhabar
- (d) Terai

**Ans- C**

**99.** Which of the following statements regarding the electoral rolls is/are correct ?

1. There is one general electoral roll for every territorial constituency.
2. No person is ineligible for inclusion in the electoral roll on grounds of religion, race, caste, sex, or any of them.
3. A citizen of India, not less than 18 years of age, can cast his/her vote unless disqualified under a law of an appropriate legislature.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- B**

**100.** Which one of the following statements is *not* correct about 'Totalitarianism' ?

- (a) It is not akin to autocracy and authoritarianism.
- (b) It usurps political freedom of the individuals, but it doesn't usurp personal freedoms.
- (c) It implies abolition of civil society.
- (d) It is usually identified with a one-party state.

**Ans- B**

**103.** Bagram Air Base is located in

- (a) Turkey
- (b) Pakistan
- (c) Afghanistan
- (d) Israel

**Ans- C**

**104.** The Panchmuli Lake is situated near

- (a) Statue of Equality
- (b) Thiruvalluvar Statue
- (c) Dhyan Buddha Statue
- (d) Statue of Unity

**Ans- D**

**106.** What is *itat e-dwar* ?

- (a) An Urdu magazine published from Lucknow
- (b) An e-filing portal of Income Tax Appellate Tribunal
- (c) A religious monument
- (d) Name of a UNESCO world heritage site

**Ans- B**

**110.** Chronologically arrange the following Indian-origin astronauts on the basis of their flying into space starting with the first :

1. Sunita Williams
2. Rakesh Sharma
3. Sirisha Bandla
4. Kalpana Chawla

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- B**

**116.** Why was Dholavira in the news recently ?

- (a) Skeletons discovered at this site
- (b) For its conservation effects
- (c) For the discovery of gold and precious stones at this site
- (d) It received the UNESCO World Heritage Tag

**Ans- D**

**120.** Which of the following States/Union Territory/Region are in special focus in the National Mission on Edible Oils – Oil Palm ?

- (a) Himachal Pradesh and Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- (b) North-East Region and Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- (c) North-East Region and Gujarat
- (d) Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat

**Ans- B**

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20. Which one of the following statements is true with regard to a greenhouse ?

- (a) The shorter wavelength infrared radiations from the Sun can enter into the greenhouse while longer wavelength infrared radiations from the ground and the plants inside the greenhouse cannot pass back out through the glass.
- (b) The shorter wavelength infrared radiations from the Sun can enter into the greenhouse and the longer wavelength infrared radiations from the ground and the plants inside the greenhouse can also pass back out through the glass.
- (c) The shorter wavelength infrared radiations from the Sun cannot enter into the greenhouse while longer wavelength infrared radiations from the ground and the plants inside the greenhouse can pass back out through the glass.
- (d) No infrared radiation can pass through the glass of the greenhouse.

Ans- A

24. Which one of the following statements about biogas is *not* correct ?

- (a) It is mainly composed of methane gas.
- (b) It is a non-renewable source of energy.
- (c) It is formed by the decomposition of cow dung in the absence of oxygen.
- (d) It burns without smoke and leaves no residue.

Ans- B

**32.** Which one of the following climatic types (Köppen's Scheme) is best suited to describe the climate of the western fringe of Rajasthan ?

- (a) Amw
- (b) Aw
- (c) Bwhw
- (d) Cwg

**Ans- C**

**34.** Which one of the following States/Union Territories has the highest percentage of forest area to the total geographical area ?

- (a) Arunachal Pradesh
- (b) Lakshadweep
- (c) Nagaland
- (d) Mizoram

**Ans- B**

**35.** In India, the period of steady population growth refers to the decade(s) of :

- (a) 1981 – 2011
- (b) 1951 – 1981
- (c) 1921 – 1951
- (d) 1911 – 1921

**Ans- C**

36. Manikaran in Himachal Pradesh is known for :

- (a) Solar energy.
- (b) Geothermal energy.
- (c) Bioenergy.
- (d) Wind energy.

Ans- B

37. Who among the following, first mooted the idea of deficit financing ?

- (a) Adam Smith
- (b) Alfred Marshall
- (c) John Maynard Keynes
- (d) Milton Friedman

Ans- C

**38.** Which of the following is/are the function(s) of environment ?

1. Supplying resources
2. Sustaining life
3. Providing aesthetic services

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- C**

**39.** Who among the following formulated the concept of poverty as a measurable development indicator in the Indian subcontinent ?

- (a) Dadabhai Naoroji
- (b) Romesh Chandra Dutt
- (c) V.K.R.V. Rao
- (d) M. Ranade

**Ans- A**

42. Which one of the following statements with regard to the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005 is correct ?

- (a) It ensures 175 days of employment to needy persons in rural areas.
- (b) It gives higher wages to women workers.
- (c) People are generally given both skilled and unskilled jobs.
- (d) This is implemented only in rural areas of India.

Ans- D

43. Which one of the following is *not* mentioned as a form of Emergency in the Constitution of India ?

- (a) National Emergency
- (b) State Emergency in terms of Proclamation of President's Rule in a State
- (c) Financial Emergency
- (d) Health Emergency

Ans- D

44. Which one of the following is *not* a provision related to a Money Bill ?

- (a) Imposition, abolition, remission, alteration or regulation of any tax
- (b) Appropriation of moneys out of the Consolidated Fund of India
- (c) Imposition of fines by local authority for local purpose
- (d) Custody of the Consolidated Fund of India or the Contingency Fund of India

Ans- C

45. Which one of the following items is *not* covered under GST ?

- (a) Cosmetics
- (b) Medical grade oxygen
- (c) Jewellery
- (d) Petrol

Ans- D

46. Which of the following statements is/are correct ?

1. Committee on Estimates is an ad hoc committee of the Parliament.
2. Committee on Railway Convention is a standing committee of the Parliament.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- D

47. Which one of the following is *not* an Indian form of Socialism ?

- (a) Democratic Socialism
- (b) Radical Socialism
- (c) Communitarian Socialism
- (d) Nehruvian Socialism

**Ans- B**

49. Which one of the following is *not* a characteristic feature of Indian Federalism ?

- (a) The federating units consented to form a union
- (b) Residuary powers vest with the Centre
- (c) Single citizenship
- (d) An extensive Union and Concurrent list

**Ans- A**

**50.** Which of the following statements about sculptures at Sanchi is/are correct ?

1. In some sculptures there is representation of Shalabhanjika.
2. The figure of Shalabhanjika is represented by a woman surrounded by lotuses and elephants.
3. The Shalabhanjika motif was not directly inspired by Buddhist ideas.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- D**

**52.** Who among the following was the founder of the Virashaiva Movement in Karnataka ?

- (a) Basavanna
- (b) Appar
- (c) Sambandar
- (d) Sundarar

**Ans- A**

**53.** The ruins of Hampi were brought to light by which of the following British officers of the East India Company ?

- (a) Colonel Colin Mackenzie
- (b) James Prinsep
- (c) William Jones
- (d) James Rennell

**Ans- A**

**54.** Which one of the following works was composed by Krishnadevaraya on statecraft in Telugu ?

- (a) Amuktamalyada
- (b) Jambavati Kalyanam
- (c) Rayavachakamu
- (d) Satyavadu Parinaya

**Ans- A**

55. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists :

<i>List I</i> (Soil Type)	<i>List II</i> (Salient Characteristic)
A. Entisols	1. Soils having weakly or quickly developed horizons
B. Inceptisols	2. Weakly developed soils with no horizons
C. Histosols	3. These soils are very old and highly weathered
D. Oxisols	4. These soils have very high quantity of organic matter in the upper layers

**Code :**

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
(a)	2	1	4	3
(b)	2	4	1	3
(c)	3	4	1	2
(d)	3	1	4	2

**Ans- A**

56. A peripediment in a desert or semi-desert region is also known as :

- (a) Inselberg
- (b) Zeugen
- (c) Bajada
- (d) Playa

**Ans- C**

57. Individual lava flows are normally only a few feet thick, but over a long period of time, repeated flows may build up a volcano. Such volcanoes are termed as :

- (a) Shield volcano.
- (b) Composite volcano.
- (c) Strato-volcano.
- (d) Cinder-cone volcano.

**Ans- A**

58. Isohalines are lines joining equal :

- (a) temperature.
- (b) pressure.
- (c) rainfall.
- (d) salinity.

**Ans- D**

59. Which one of the following would be considered as Foreign Direct Investment ?

- (a) A foreign company buying shares in stock exchanges in India
- (b) A foreign country pension fund investing in Indian stock markets
- (c) A foreign merchant banker buying shares from Indian stock markets
- (d) A foreign entity setting up an educational institution in India

**Ans- D**

60. Which one of the following does *not* influence quantity demanded for a good ?

- (a) Good's own price
- (b) Price of a complementary good
- (c) Price of a substitute good
- (d) Prices of inputs into production of the good

Ans- D

62. Which of the following factors signify monopolistic competition ?

1. Differentiated products
2. Large number of buyers and sellers
3. Barriers to entry
4. Homogeneous products

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- A

**63.** Article 19(1) of the Constitution of India, as it stands amended, includes which of the following ?

1. Freedom of speech and expression
2. Assemble peaceably and without arms
3. To acquire and dispose property
4. To move freely throughout the territory of India

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- D**

**64.** Which one of the following statements with regard to the Election Commission is *not* correct ?

- (a) It conducts elections to the office of the Vice President of India.
- (b) An Election Commissioner can be removed from his office without the recommendation of the Chief Election Commissioner.
- (c) Election Commissioners are appointed by the President of India.
- (d) Governor of a State is constitutionally bound to provide support staff to the Election Commission, if required.

**Ans- B**

65. Which of the following statements with regard to the Preamble to the Constitution of India is/are correct ?

1. Equality of status and equality of opportunity find mention in the Preamble.
2. The expression 'unity and integrity of the Nation' was not there in the Preamble since the beginning.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- C

66. In Part-IVA of the Constitution of India, which one of the following is **not** mentioned as a duty of every citizen of India ?

- (a) To render national service when called upon to do so
- (b) To renounce practices derogatory to the dignity of women
- (c) To value and preserve a unitary national culture
- (d) To develop the spirit of inquiry and reform

Ans- C

**67.** Which of the following terms were used in the Indo-Persian sources of the Mughal period to denote a peasant ?

1. Raiyat
2. Asami
3. Muzarian
4. Majur

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- C**

**68.** Who among the following pioneering Bengali women serialised her autobiography *Amar Katha* between 1910 and 1913 ?

- (a) Binodini Dasi
- (b) Rashsundari Debi
- (c) Begum Rokeya Sakhawat Hossain
- (d) Kailashbashini Debi

**Ans- A**

**69.** Arrange the following events chronologically starting from the earliest :

1. Ahmedabad Mill Strike
2. Champaran Satyagraha
3. Foundation of the Satyagraha Sabha
4. Jallianwala Bagh Massacre

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- B**

**70.** The year 1916 is important in Indian history for :

1. Lucknow Session of the Congress
2. Congress – League Pact
3. Formation of Home Rule League

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- D**

73. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists :

<i>List I</i> (Waterfall)	<i>List II</i> (State)
A. Barkana	1. Tamil Nadu
B. Dudhsagar	2. Odisha
C. Duduma	3. Karnataka
D. Kiliyur	4. Goa

**Code :**

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
(a)	3	2	4	1
(b)	3	4	2	1
(c)	1	4	2	3
(d)	1	2	4	3

Ans- B

74. Which one of the following is *not* a resultant of the El Nino effect ?

- (a) Distortion of equatorial atmospheric circulation
- (b) Flow of the South-East Trade Winds towards the Indian Ocean
- (c) Irregularities in the evaporation of sea water
- (d) Reduction in the amount of planktons which reduces the number of fish in the sea

Ans- B

**75.** According to the Constitution of India, which one of the following statements is **not** correct ?

- (a) The executive powers of the Union shall be vested in the President of India.
- (b) Parliament, by law, can confer functions on authorities other than the President of India.
- (c) The President of India is elected by an electoral college consisting of all Members of Parliament and all Members of all State Legislatures.
- (d) A person, having held office as the President, shall be eligible for election to that office for the second term.

**Ans- C**

**76.** Which one of the following Articles of the Constitution of India requires the Prime Minister of India to furnish information related to decisions of the Council of Ministers to the President of India ?

- (a) Article 78
- (b) Article 74
- (c) Article 75
- (d) Article 81

**Ans- A**

77. Which one of the following statements is *not* correct ?

- (a) All executive actions of the Government of India are taken in the name of the President of India.
- (b) The President of India appoints a person as Attorney General of India provided she/he is qualified to be a Judge of the Supreme Court or a High Court.
- (c) The total number of Ministers in the Council of Ministers cannot exceed ten percent of the total number of members of the House of People.
- (d) The President of India is bound to act as per the advice tendered by the Council of Ministers.

Ans- C

**78.** The issue, 'whether Section 377 of the Indian Penal Code is violative of Articles 21, 14 and 15 of the Constitution of India' was decided in which one of the following cases ?

- (a) Shreya Singhal vs. Union of India
- (b) Vishakha vs. State of Rajasthan
- (c) Shayara Bano vs. Union of India
- (d) Naz Foundation vs. Government of NCT of Delhi and others

**Ans- D**

**79.** Which one of the following writs means 'you may have the body' ?

- (a) Habeas Corpus
- (b) Mandamus
- (c) Certiorari
- (d) Quo Warranto

**Ans- A**

**81.** Consider the following statements :

1. In the 19<sup>th</sup> century, peasants in various parts of India rose in revolt against moneylenders and grain dealers.
2. In May 1875, at village Supa in Poona District in the Bombay Deccan, peasants attacked shopkeepers, burnt the *bahi khatas* (account books), looted grain shops and set fire to the houses of Sahukars.

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

**Ans- C**

**82.** Which one of the following was *not* a part of Kautilya's Saptanga Theory of the State ?

- (a) Amatya
- (b) Janapada
- (c) Durga
- (d) Dhamma

**Ans- D**

83. Consider the following statements about Ashoka's faith in Buddhism :

1. Rummindei Pillar Inscription and Nigali Sagar Pillar Inscription provide clear evidence of Ashoka's faith in Buddhism.
2. Minor Rock Edict-I gives evidence of a sudden change in Ashoka's faith in Buddhism.

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

**Ans- A**

84. Which of the following variable(s) is/are displayed in population pyramids ?

1. Age-groups
2. Sex indicators (male and female)

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- C**

85. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the lists :

<i>List I</i> (Lake)	<i>List II</i> (State)
A. Kailveli	1. Sikkim
B. Khajjiar	2. Kerala
C. Khecheopalri	3. Himachal Pradesh
D. Vembanad	4. Tamil Nadu

**Code :**

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
(a)	2	1	3	4
(b)	2	3	1	4
(c)	4	1	3	2
(d)	4	3	1	2

Ans- D

87. Mount Thullier (642 m) is an important mountain peak of Andaman and Nicobar Islands. It is located in :

- (a) North Andaman
- (b) Middle Andaman
- (c) South Andaman
- (d) Great Nicobar

Ans- D

89. Which one of the following terms represents the maxim, 'no man/person shall be condemned unheard' ?

- (a) *Autrefois acquit*
- (b) *Non bis in idem*
- (c) *Autrefois convict*
- (d) *Audi Alteram Partem*

Ans- D

90. Which one of the following statements about the Speaker of Lok Sabha is **not** correct ?

- (a) He shall vacate his office if he ceases to be a member of the House of the People.
- (b) He may, at any time, resign by writing his resignation to the President of India.
- (c) He may be removed from his office by a resolution of the House of the People passed by majority of all the then members of the House.
- (d) While the office of the Speaker is vacant, the duties of the office shall be performed by the Deputy Speaker.

Ans- B

**91.** Which one of the following statements about a Bill for Amendment of the Constitution of India is *not* correct ?

- (a) It is governed by Article 368(2) of the Constitution of India.
- (b) Joint sitting can be resorted to for passing a Bill amending the Constitution of India.
- (c) The State Legislatures cannot initiate any Bill or proposal for amendment of the Constitution of India.
- (d) The previous sanction of the President of India is not required for introducing any Bill in the Parliament for amendment of the Constitution of India.

**Ans- B**

**92.** Which one of the following methods is followed in electing the President of India ?

- (a) Proportional Representation only
- (b) First-Past-the-Post System only
- (c) Proportional Representation and the Single Transferable Vote System
- (d) Proportional Representation and the First-Past-the-Post System

**Ans- C**

**93.** From among the following Mahajanapadas, identify the *gana/sangha* (oligarchy) :

- (a) Magadha
- (b) Vajji
- (c) Avanti
- (d) Kosala

**Ans- B**

**94.** The provision for separate electorate for Muslims was given in

- (a) Morley-Minto Reforms, 1909
- (b) Montagu-Chelmsford Reforms, 1919
- (c) Communal Award, 1932
- (d) Government of India Act, 1935

**Ans- A**

95. Which of the following was/were the founder member(s) of Hindustan Socialist Republican Army established in September, 1928 ?

1. Bhagat Singh
2. Jatindranath
3. Ajoy Ghosh
4. Phanindranath Ghosh

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- D

96. Who among the following did *not* belong to the group of 'No-Changers' ?

- (a) M.A. Ansari
- (b) Vithalbhai Patel
- (c) Chakravarti Rajagopalachari
- (d) Kasturi Ranga Iyengar

Ans- B

98. Which one of the following pairs of Newspaper and Editor is *not* correctly matched ?

- | <i>Newspaper</i> | <i>Editor</i> |
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Ans- D

**99.** Which one of the following was *not* included in the terms and conditions of Subsidiary Alliance System of Lord Wellesley ?

- (a) The British would protect their ally.
- (b) The ally was free to enter into agreements with other rulers or engage in warfare.
- (c) In the territory of the ally, a British armed contingent would be stationed.
- (d) The ally would have to provide resources for the maintenance of the British armed contingent.

**Ans- B**

**100.** Which one of the following is an exhaustible but renewable natural resource ?

- (a) Solar energy
- (b) Water in usable condition
- (c) Soil
- (d) Landscape in its natural condition

**Ans- B**

**101.** Recently, the term 'two-pillar solution/two-pillar package' often seen in the news, refers to

- (a) Global energy security in near future
- (b) International cyber crime reporting
- (c) Minimum global corporate tax
- (d) Prevention of international money laundering

**Ans- C**

**102.** Consider the following pairs of vaccine and category/type :

1. Covaxin : Inactivated pathogen-based vaccine
2. Covishield : mRNA vaccine
3. Sputnik V : Viral vector-based vaccine

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched ?

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

**Ans- C**

**103.** What is 'Unicorn Company' often mentioned in Indian news ?

- (a) Any privately held startup company with a value of over \$ 1 billion
- (b) Any public sector company to be merged with another public sector company
- (c) Privatization of any loss-making State-owned company
- (d) Any foreign multinational company doing business in India in collaboration with an Indian company

**Ans- A**

**104.** A global initiative popularly known as '30 × 30 target' is often seen in the news. Which one of the following statements best reflects this initiative ?

- (a) At least 30% of the planet should be protected by 2030.
- (b) At least 30% of the cultivated area should be brought under organic farming by 2030.
- (c) At least 30% of the energy requirements should be met by renewable sources by 2030.
- (d) At least 30% of the people below poverty line should be brought out of their poverty by 2030.

**Ans- A**

**105.** Which one of the following statements is correct regarding LOFAR (Low Frequency Array) ?

- (a) It is the world's most powerful radio antenna.
- (b) It is a space technology launched by NASA to discover exoplanets.
- (c) It is an arrangement of satellites in space for the purpose of creating Satellite Navigation System.
- (d) It is a wireless communication technology for 5G services.

**Ans- A**

**106.** In the recently formed grouping of countries generally known as 'Middle-East Quad', in addition to India, which of the following are other members ?

- (a) Egypt, Saudi Arabia and USA
- (b) Israel, UAE and USA
- (c) Egypt, UAE and UK
- (d) Israel, Saudi Arabia and UK

**Ans- B**

**108.** Which of the following statements is/are correct ?

1. India had accorded recognition to Bangladesh even before the liberation of Bangladesh in 1971.
2. In March 2021, both India and Bangladesh had decided to celebrate 6 December as Maitri Diwas.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- C**

**109.** Recently India signed a contract for the manufacture of nearly 6 lakh AK-203 rifles with which one of the following countries ?

- (a) Canada
- (b) Russia
- (c) France
- (d) Israel

**Ans- B**

**115.** Which of the following about Khijadiya Bird Sanctuary is/are correct ?

1. It is recently declared as a Ramsar Site (wetlands of international importance)
2. It is located in Uttar Pradesh

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- A**

**118.** With reference to Bhindawas Wildlife Sanctuary, Sultanpur National Park, Thol Lake Wildlife Sanctuary and Wadhwa Wetland, which of the following statements is/are correct ?

1. All of them are Ramsar sites.
2. All of them are naturally formed wetlands.
3. All of them are birding sites.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- B**

**119.** To study which one of the following was a spacecraft launched that would be farthest from the Sun and would run exclusively on solar power ?

- (a) Jupiter's Trojan asteroids
- (b) Saturn's rings and moons
- (c) Mars' atmosphere
- (d) Kuiper Belt and Oort Cloud

**Ans- A**

**120.** Recently, archaeological studies at which one among the following revealed that by 1200 BCE there was a flourishing agrarian civilization and the cultivation of rice was well-established at this place ?

- (a) Raichur Doab
- (b) Krishna Delta
- (c) Vicinity of Vamsadhara river
- (d) Vicinity of Thamirabarani river

**Ans- D**

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2. Which one of the following is a tributary of Barak River in Manipur ?
- (a) Dhaleswari
  - (b) Subansiri
  - (c) Dhansiri
  - (d) Manas

Ans- A

3. Which types of vegetation will you find on the way as you travel from Bikaner to Konark by road by shortest distance ?
- (a) Tropical thorny, Desert, Moist deciduous, Mangrove
  - (b) Desert, Tropical thorny, Moist deciduous, Mangrove
  - (c) Moist deciduous, Tropical thorny, Mangrove, Desert
  - (d) Desert, Tropical thorny, Mangrove, Moist deciduous

Ans- B

4. Consider the following statements about Karewas :

1. These are the lacustrine deposits of Pleistocene period.
2. These are found along the lower slopes of Pir Panjal.
3. Karewas are well known for the cultivation of saffron, almond and walnut.

How many of the above statements is/are correct ?

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 3
- (d) None

Ans- C

5. Consider the following statements about an Indian State :

1. It is well known globally for its variety of rocks and minerals.
2. It has the largest deposits of Chrysotile Asbestos in the country.
3. The Neelam Sanjiva Reddy Sagar Hydel Project is located in this State.

Identify the State from the following :

- (a) Jharkhand
- (b) Rajasthan
- (c) Andhra Pradesh
- (d) Chhattisgarh

Ans- C

7. Which one of the following statements about a borrower from a Microfinance Company is **not** correct ?

- (a) The borrower should not have annual income beyond a limit.
- (b) The borrower should not seek loan amount beyond a limit.
- (c) The borrower should not refuse to offer a collateral.
- (d) The borrower should not refuse to pay any rate of interest offered.

Ans- C

8. Which one of the following statements about Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs) is **not** correct ?

- (a) NBFCs cannot accept demand deposits.
- (b) NBFCs cannot give loans.
- (c) NBFCs cannot issue cheques drawn on themselves.
- (d) NBFCs cannot offer deposit insurance facility of Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation.

Ans- B

9. The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) has revised the base year index of Eight Core Industries having a combined weight of about 40.27 percent in the Index of Industrial Production. Which one of the following is **not** one of the Eight Core Industries ?

- (a) Coal
- (b) Refinery products
- (c) Rubber products
- (d) Cement

Ans- C

10. Consider the following statements about the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) :

1. The MSMEs comprise a dynamic sector of the Indian economy providing large employment opportunities.
2. MSMEs require low capital cost and help industrialization of backward regions.
3. MSMEs contribute enormously to socio-economic development.

How many of the above statements is/are correct ?

- (a) None
- (b) 1
- (c) 2
- (d) 3

Ans- D

**30.** Consider the following statements about James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) :

1. It is the largest observatory ever launched into space.
2. It has been developed by NASA in partnership with the European Space Agency and the Canadian Space Agency.

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

**Ans- C**

**31.** India has achieved the 10 percent Ethanol blending much ahead of the targeted date. Which one among the following greatly benefits from this ?

- (a) Cassava plantations
- (b) Maize farming
- (c) Sugar industry
- (d) Wine industry

**Ans- C**

**32.** Consider the following statements regarding e-RUPI prepaid digital vouchers :

1. The maximum amount of e-RUPI is rupees one lakh.
2. Beneficiaries can receive e-RUPI without having a bank account.
3. To receive e-RUPI on mobile phones, beneficiaries need a smart phone with Internet connection.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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

**Ans- A**

**33.** Recently, India's first green hydrogen-based advanced fuel cell electric vehicle (FCEV) was launched. It has no tailpipe emissions other than

- (a) Hydrogen peroxide
- (b) Nitrogen
- (c) Oxygen
- (d) Water

**Ans- D**

**34.** Which one of the following languages was added to the Eighth Schedule by a Constitutional Amendment in 1967 ?

- (a) Khasi
- (b) Kashmiri
- (c) Sindhi
- (d) Urdu

Ans- C

35. What were *Manigramam* and *Nanadesi* in early medieval India ?
- (a) Cluster of non-revenue paying villages
  - (b) Village-level community groups
  - (c) Guilds of Indian merchants
  - (d) Literary societies in the capital towns

Ans- C

36. The Dutch were defeated by Marthanda Varma of Travancore Kingdom in the battle of
- (a) Wandiwash
  - (b) Rakshasi – Tangadi
  - (c) Pullalur
  - (d) Colachel

Ans- D

37. To which one of the following schools of philosophy did Kumarila Bhatta and Prabhakara belong ?
- (a) *Lokayata*
  - (b) *Madhyamika*
  - (c) *Purva-Mimamsa*
  - (d) *Uttara-Mimamsa*

Ans- C

38. The *Tolkappiyam* is
- (a) A work of grammar.
  - (b) A Tamil poem in praise of Rajendra Chola.
  - (c) An ancient didactic work in Tamil.
  - (d) A drama composed by a Chera King.

Ans- A

39. On the banks of which one of the following rivers was the ancient Mahishmati located ?
- (a) Sarayu
  - (b) Son
  - (c) Narmada
  - (d) Godavari

Ans- C

40. Which one of the following statements about the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) of the Parliament is **not** correct ?
- (a) It examines the Finance Accounts of the Government of India.
  - (b) Fifteen members of the Committee are elected by the Lok Sabha from amongst its members.
  - (c) The Chairperson of the Committee is elected by its members.
  - (d) In case a member of any other Committee constituted by the Government is elected to the PAC, the Speaker of the Lok Sabha decides whether he should continue to be a member of the former Committee.

Ans- C

41. Consider the following :

1. M.A. Ayyangar
2. G.S. Dhillon
3. Balram Jakhar
4. P.A. Sangma

How many of them were the Speaker of the Lok Sabha ?

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

Ans- D

42. Consider the following pairs of Schedule and Content of the Constitution of India :

1. First Schedule : Forms of Oaths or Affirmations
2. Third Schedule : Allocation of seats in the Council of States
3. Fifth Schedule : Provisions related to the administration of Scheduled Areas and Scheduled Tribes
4. Ninth Schedule : Provisions related to the administration of tribal areas in certain States

How many of the above pairs is/are correctly matched ?

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

Ans- A

43. Which one of the following statements is correct ?

- (a) Under Article 21A of the Constitution of India, the State shall provide free and compulsory education to all children up to the age of eleven years.
- (b) Every religious denomination has got absolute power under Article 26 of the Constitution of India to manage its own affairs in matters of religion.
- (c) Only religious and linguistic minorities find mention in Article 30 of the Constitution of India in reference to the right to establish educational institutions of their choice.
- (d) Parliament cannot empower, even by law, any court other than the Supreme Court of India the power to issue writs within local limits of its jurisdiction.

Ans- C

44. Which one of the following do *not* influence the ocean currents ?

- (a) Heating by solar energy
- (b) Wind
- (c) Gravitational pull by Sun and Moon
- (d) Coriolis force

Ans- C

46. Which of the following statements about inversion of temperature is/are correct ?

1. Temperature increases with increasing altitude.
2. A long winter night with clear skies is an ideal situation.
3. It is a short term phenomenon and is common all over the globe except at the poles.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- A**

47. In which one of the following States/UT, is the Lake Tsomgo located ?

- (a) Ladakh
- (b) Himachal Pradesh
- (c) Sikkim
- (d) Uttarakhand

**Ans- C**

48. Which of the following statements about the coasts of India is/are correct ?

1. The West Coast of India is a high rocky, retreating coast.
2. The West Coast of India is dominated by erosional landforms.
3. The East Coast of India, however, is a low sedimentary coast exhibiting depositional forms.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- D**

49. Which one of the following States/UTs has the largest area under Coral Reefs in India ?

- (a) Gujarat
- (b) Tamil Nadu
- (c) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- (d) Lakshadweep

**Ans- C**

**50.** Which one of the following is considered as an agency function of commercial banks in India ?

- (a) Acceptance of deposits
- (b) Investment of surplus funds
- (c) Acceptance of income tax payments
- (d) Providing overdraft facilities

**Ans- C**

**51.** Which one of the following forms of money supply is considered as the most widely used in the Indian monetary system ?

- (a) M1
- (b) M2
- (c) M3
- (d) M4

**Ans- C**

**53.** Which one of the following Labour Codes notified by the Government of India incorporated various provisions of the Central Labour Acts such as the Factories Act, 1948 and Plantations Labour Act, 1951 ?

- (a) The Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020
- (b) The Industrial Relations Code, 2020
- (c) The Code on Wages, 2019
- (d) The Code on Social Security, 2020

**Ans- A**

54. If you were to browse a table of a recent period showing life expectancy at birth for all categories of rural-urban and male-female divisions for all States of India, you are **not** likely to observe that

1. Urban life expectancy is higher than the rural one.
2. Male life expectancy is higher than the female one.

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- B**

56. Recently launched 'Jan Samarth' portal

- (a) provides single point access for authenticated health information to citizens.
- (b) assists farmers to access links to useful farming-specific information.
- (c) provides access to Pan India e-Government services.
- (d) provides link to Government credit schemes.

57. Recently India commissioned its first liquid mirror telescope at

- (a) Himachal Pradesh
- (b) Uttarakhand
- (c) Ladakh
- (d) Arunachal Pradesh

**Ans- D**

57. Recently India commissioned its first liquid mirror telescope at

- (a) Himachal Pradesh
- (b) Uttarakhand
- (c) Ladakh
- (d) Arunachal Pradesh

Ans- B

61. A patient's abdomen (alimentary canal) can be examined by X-ray after administering which one of the following metal salts in the patient's meal ?

- (a) Barium sulphate
- (b) Barium chloride
- (c) Strontium sulphate
- (d) Magnesium chloride

Ans- A

64. What was a *munjaniq* in medieval period ?

- (a) Cannon
- (b) Catapult
- (c) Gun carriage
- (d) Portable armotury

Ans- B

65. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists :

<i>List I</i> (Literary Work)	<i>List II</i> (Author)
A. <i>Duta Ghatotkacha</i>	1. Bhatti
B. <i>Mrichchhakatikam</i>	2. Bhasa
C. <i>Kiratarjuniyam</i>	3. Shudraka
D. <i>Ravanavadha</i>	4. Bharavi

Code :

	A	B	C	D
(a)	1	3	4	2
(b)	1	4	3	2
(c)	2	3	4	1
(d)	2	4	3	1

Ans- C

66. At the banks of which of the following rivers was the Battle of Ten Kings fought in the Early Vedic Period ?

- (a) Sarasvati
- (b) Drishadvati
- (c) Parushni
- (d) Shutudri

Ans- C

67. The Bengal Famine of 1769 – 70 was worsened by

- (a) Locust attacks
- (b) Rat infestation
- (c) High levels of taxation
- (d) Smallpox epidemic

Ans- D

68. Which one of the following is **not** the work of Ashvaghosha ?

- (a) *Sariputrarakarana*
- (b) *Buddhacharita*
- (c) *Saundarananda*
- (d) *Manjushrimulakalpa*

Ans- D

72. While forming the 'Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity', the member countries launched collective discussions towards future negotiations on four pillars. Which one of the following is **not** one of those pillars ?

- (a) Clean energy, decarbonisation and infrastructure
- (b) Defence cooperation and intelligence sharing
- (c) Supply chain
- (d) Tax and anti-corruption

Ans- B

75. Which one of the following assists a country through 'Extended Fund Facility', often talked about in news ?

- (a) International Fund for Agricultural Development
- (b) International Monetary Fund
- (c) International Bank for Reconstruction and Development
- (d) United Nations Development Programme

Ans- B

78. The use of 'Electors Photo Identity Cards (EPIC)' by the Election Commission of India was started in which one of the following years ?

- (a) 1992
- (b) 1993
- (c) 1995
- (d) 2001

Ans- B

79. Which one of the following best describes the electoral system to elect the President of India ?

- (a) Proportional Representation
- (b) Proportional Representation and Single Transferable Vote System
- (c) First-Past-the-Post System
- (d) List System

Ans- B

80. Which one of the following statements about Money Bill is *not* correct ?

- (a) Money Bill cannot be introduced in the Council of States.
- (b) The Council of States has no power to reject or amend the Money Bill.
- (c) The Speaker of the Lok Sabha has the sole and final power in deciding whether a Bill is a Money Bill or otherwise.
- (d) The Council of States has no power to discuss the Money Bill.

Ans- D

82. By which one of the following Constitutional Amendment Acts, was the Article 21A (Right to Education) inserted into the Constitution of India ?

- (a) 83<sup>rd</sup> Amendment Act
- (b) 84<sup>th</sup> Amendment Act
- (c) 85<sup>th</sup> Amendment Act
- (d) 86<sup>th</sup> Amendment Act

Ans- D

88. In which one of the following highlands of India can you find temperate forests called 'Sholas' ?

- (a) Nilgiris
- (b) Vindhya
- (c) Satpuras
- (d) Himalayas

Ans-A

89. 'Pingos' are associated with which one of the following process ?

- (a) Glacial
- (b) Peri-glacial
- (c) Aeolian
- (d) Fluvial

Ans- B

92. The Indian desert also known as *Marusthali* is believed to be under the sea during which one of the following eras ?

- (a) Cenozoic era
- (b) Palaeozoic era
- (c) Mesozoic era
- (d) Archaean and Pre-Cambrian era

Ans- C

93. Which among the following are Charvaka Schools of Philosophy ?

1. Dhurttā
2. Nyāya
3. Sushikshita
4. Vaisheshika

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

Ans- D

94. During the 8<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> centuries, in the Sanskrit texts and inscriptions, which of the following terms were used to denote Muslims ?

1. Turushka
2. Tajika
3. Parashika
4. Kardamaka

Select the correct answer using the code given below :

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

**Ans- A**

95. In the citadel and lower-town areas of which one of the following Harappan cities, have several large cisterns and reservoirs been found ?

- (a) Banawali
- (b) Mohenjodaro
- (c) Dholavira
- (d) Rakhigarhi

**Ans- C**

**96.** Consider the following statements about cavalry warfare in India :

1. The iron stirrup made it possible for the armoured warrior to sit firmly on a horse without falling off.
2. The iron stirrup also allowed a cavalry charge with lances held tightly to the body, without the rider being thrown off by the shock of impact.

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

**Ans- C**

**97.** The British policy towards Afghanistan in the first half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century aimed at

- (a) Strengthening Afghanistan as a buffer against Russia.
- (b) Weakening Russian influence in Afghanistan but not promoting a strong Afghanistan either.
- (c) Promoting Russian influence in Afghanistan to control insurgent tribal leaders.
- (d) Annexing Afghanistan as a directly-controlled British Territory.

**Ans- B**

99. The SWIFT (The Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication) frequently mentioned in news, is essentially a
- (a) Global financial intelligence agency
  - (b) Global terror finance detection system
  - (c) Global money transfer system
  - (d) Global stock-market information sharing system

**Ans- C**

100. P-75 I (or P-75 India) project refers to manufacture of
- (a) Diesel-electric submarines.
  - (b) Nuclear-powered submarines.
  - (c) Aircraft carrier warships.
  - (d) Field guns.

**Ans- A**

101. The term 'Thermal High Altitude Area Defense', sometimes mentioned in news, refers to
- (a) Anti-Missile system.
  - (b) Air-launched cruise missile.
  - (c) Aircraft navigation system.
  - (d) Surface-to-air guided weapon.

**Ans- A**

**102.** With reference to BrahMos missile, consider the following statements :

1. It has a flight range of up to 290 km.
2. It is capable of attaining a speed of 2.8 Mach.
3. Its cruising altitude could be up to 30 km.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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

**Ans- A**

**105.** Blue Helmets are

- (a) United Nations Peacekeepers
- (b) Violent Non-State Actors
- (c) Civil Society Organisations
- (d) Environmental Organisations

**Ans- A**

**106.** Which one of the following central features is **not** associated with Capitalist Economy ?

- (a) There is generalised commodity production — it has market value.
- (b) Productive wealth is held predominantly in private hands.
- (c) Economic life is organised according to market principles.
- (d) Economic organisation is based on planning, a supposedly rational process of resource allocation.

**Ans- D**

**107.** Which among the following is **not** the strength or chief benefit of Bicameralism ?

- (a) Second chambers check the first chambers and prevent majoritarian rule.
- (b) It checks the powers of the executive.
- (c) The second chambers can act as a constitutional safeguard.
- (d) It often acts as a check on democratic rule, particularly when their members are non-elected or indirectly elected.

**Ans- D**

111. Match List I with List II and select the correct answer using the code given below the Lists :

<i>List I</i> (Cloud Form)	<i>List II</i> (Characteristic)
A. Cirrus	1. Storm clouds
B. Cumulus	2. High fog "Low Ceiling"
C. Nimbostratus	3. Fair-weather clouds
D. Stratus	4. Entirely of ice particles

**Code :**

	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>D</b>
(a)	2	1	3	4
(b)	2	3	1	4
(c)	4	3	1	2
(d)	4	1	3	2

**Ans- C**

113. Who among the following usurped power in Kanyakubja after the death of Harshavardhana ?

- (a) Adityasena
- (b) Arunashva
- (c) Shashanka
- (d) Lalitaditya

**Ans- B**

115. Which one of the following statements on the issue of ownership according to *Smriti* literature is **not** correct ?

- (a) The paternal estate was to be divided equally amongst sons.
- (b) Women were allowed to retain the gifts they received on the occasion of their marriage.
- (c) The gifts to women on the occasion of their marriage were known as *Stridhana*.
- (d) *Stridhana* was not inherited by the children without the permission of the husband.

Ans- D

116. Who among the following was **not** a woman labour leader who organised workers in the strikes in the 1920s ?

- (a) Sarala Devi Chaudhurani
- (b) Ushabai Dange
- (c) Prabhavati Devi
- (d) Anasuya Behn

Ans- A

117. Among the following countries, where did the idea of 'Social Market Economy' emerge in 1950s ?

- (a) Germany
- (b) France
- (c) United States of America
- (d) United Kingdom

**Ans- A**

118. Who among the following Indian thinkers first spoke of food-for-work programmes to counteract the effects of famines ?

- (a) Kautilya
- (b) Aryabhatta
- (c) Chandragomin
- (d) Prabhakara

**Ans- A**

120. Which one among the following reports defines Sustainable Development as development that meets the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs ?

- (a) Brundtland Report
- (b) United Nations Human Development Report
- (c) Agenda-21 of the Rio Earth Summit
- (d) OECD Policy Brief (2006)

**Ans- A**

