

## UPSC Prelims Practice Questions- SET 5

Q1. Which of the following statement/s is/are correct?

1. The State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) is constituted under the Disaster Management Act, 2005, and is the primary fund available with State Governments for responses to notified disasters.
2. The annual Central contribution is released in two equal installments as per the recommendation of the Finance Commission.
3. SDRF shall be used only for meeting the expenditure for providing immediate relief to the victims.
4. The allocation to each State depends on its population and utilisation of such funds in the previous financial year.

Options:

- a) Only 1 & 2
- b) Only 1, 2 & 3
- c) Only 1, 3 & 4
- d) All of the Above

Q2. Nagorno-Karabakh is often in news, in relation to which of the following?

- a) territorial conflict between Armenia and Azerbaijan
- b) territorial conflict between Kyrgystan and Tajikistan
- c) territorial conflict between Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan
- d) territorial conflict between Kazakhstan and Kyrgystan

Q3. Which of the following statement/s is/are correct regarding National Building Code of India (NBC)?

1. It is published by the Bureau of Indian Standards and is a “recommendatory document”, and States have been asked to incorporate it into their local building bylaws.
2. It specifies the technical requirements for special buildings, high rises, educational and institutional buildings higher than 9 metres, and those with an area of over 300 square metres.
3. The code mandates heavy fire liability insurance compulsory for all public buildings.

Options:

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 1 & 2
- c) Only 2 & 3
- d) All of the Above

Q4. Which of the following statement regarding Remdesivir is incorrect?

- a) It is a brand name of a drug used in Covid-19 patients.
- b) It was originally developed to treat Hepatitis C.
- c) It is an intravenous nucleotide prodrug.
- d) None of the above

Q5. The Gandhi-Irwin Pact included which of the following?

- 1. Invitation to Congress to participate in the Round Table Conference
- 2. Withdrawal of Ordinances promulgated in connection with the Civil Disobedience Movement
- 3. Acceptance of Gandhiji's suggestion for enquiry into police excesses
- 4. Release of only those prisoners who were not charged with violence

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

Q6. Which of the following is/are not a member of the Group of Seven (G7) countries?

- 1. Russia
- 2. Canada
- 3. Japan
- 4. India
- 5. Australia

Select the correct option from below:

- a) 1, 2 and 4 only
- b) 1, 2, 4 and 5 only
- c) 1, 4 and 5 only
- d) 4 and 5 only

Q7. Karen and Kachin state, recently seen in the news, is related to:

- a) Afghanistan
- b) Armenia
- c) Iran
- d) Myanmar

Q8. Which of the following is responsible for the administration of the Government of India (Transaction of Business) Rules, 1961 and the Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules 1961?

- a) Prime Minister's Office
- b) Department of Personnel and Training
- c) Cabinet Secretariat
- d) Lok Sabha Secretariat

Q9. Which of the following statements regarding Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT) is/are correct?

1. It is an independent verification printer machine and is attached to electronic voting machines.
2. VVPAT machines can be accessed by voters to point out any malfunction.
3. In 2013, the SC had asked the Election Commission to introduce paper trails in EVMs.

Options:

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 1 & 2
- c) Only 1 & 3
- d) All of the above

Q10. Which of the following diseases can be transmitted from one person to another through tattooing?  
[UPSC 2013]

1. Chikungunya
2. Hepatitis B
3. HIV-AIDS

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

Q11. Consider the following statements:

1. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) was created in 1950 to address the refugee crisis that resulted from World War II.
2. In recognition of its work, UNHCR is the only organization to win Nobel Peace Prize more than once.
3. It is a member of the United Nations Development Group, a consortium of organizations dedicated to sustainable development.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Q12. Which of the following is correct regarding the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)?

1. NHRC is an independent statutory body established in 1993 in conformity with the Paris Principles.
2. NHRC has the power to interfere in any judicial proceedings involving any allegation of violation of human rights.
3. NHRC has a special wing to investigate allegations of human rights violations.

Select the correct option from below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) All of the Above

Q13. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. If a candidate belonging to a registered political party dies before the commencement of the poll, the election to that constituency is adjourned.
2. In case the polling in a particular constituency is adjourned, the Model Code of Conduct is revoked immediately.

Options:

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both
- d) None

Q14. Consider the following statements:

1. The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) is a permanent, intergovernmental organization, created at the Baghdad Conference in 1960.
2. Qatar is the latest country to suspend its membership in OPEC.
3. Currently, the organization has a total of 23 Member Countries.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) All of the Above

Q15. Karl Marx explained the process of class struggle with the help of which one of the following theories? [UPSC 2011]

- a) Empirical liberalism
- b) Existentialism
- c) Darwin's theory of evolution
- d) Dialectical materialism

Q16. Consider the following statements:

1. Self-driving cars are just one of the many potential advantages of 5G over 4G.
2. Latency is low with 4G, but 5G will make it virtually zero.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both
- d) None

Q17. Which of the following is/are correct regarding the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA)?

1. MGNREGA wages are calculated based on the Consumer Price Index-Agriculture Labourer i.e. CPI-AL.
2. In FY21, as many as 11 crore individuals got work under the scheme, the highest since its inception in 2006.

Options:

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both
- d) None

Q18. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The Gujral Doctrine is a set of seven principles to guide the conduct of foreign relations with India's immediate neighbours.
2. The Gujral Doctrine is based on the principles of cooperation, accommodation and reciprocity.

Options:

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

Q19. Consider the following statements:

1. The National Commission for Women (NCW) is a constitutional body established under Article 350-B of the Constitution.
2. The NCW consists of a chairperson, a member secretary and 11 other members.
3. NCW has the power to inspect the jail, remand home to ensure that the women staying there are not exploited as they are vulnerable.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 1 and 2
- c) Only 3
- d) All of the Above

Q20. The Nagara, the Dravida and the Vesara are the: (UPSC 2011)

- a) three main racial groups of the Indian subcontinent
- b) three main linguistic divisions into which the languages of India can be classified
- c) three main styles of Indian temple architecture
- d) three main musical Gharanas prevalent in India

Q21. Which of the following was held by the Supreme Court in Indra Sawhney v Union of India case?

1. Economic backwardness is not a criteria for providing reservation.
2. Reservation can be provided only at the time of recruitment, and not at the time of the promotions.
3. Reservation cannot exceed 50% under any circumstance as it was needed to ensure “efficiency” in administration.

Select the correct option from below:

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

Q22. The Constitution (One Hundred and Second Amendment) Act, 2018 deals with:

- a) Withdrawal of political reservation in favour of Anglo Indians.
- b) Providing constitutional status to National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC).
- c) 10% reservation in government jobs and educational institutions for the economically weaker section in the unreserved category.
- d) Implementation of Goods and Services Tax.

Q23. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Department of Military Affairs (DMA) is headed by the Chief of Defence Staff, as its ex-officio secretary.
2. Officers from the Army, Navy and the Air Force are posted as Joint Secretaries in the Department of Military Affairs (DMA).
3. Department of Military Affairs (DMA) is an independent department directly under the command of the Prime Minister.

Options:

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



Q24. Consider the following statements:

1. MRIs (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) use radio waves and CT (Computed Tomography) scans use X-rays.
2. CT scans can spot blood clots while X-rays cannot.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Q25. Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Brahmo Samaj? (UPSC 2012)

1. It opposed idolatry.
2. It denied the need for a priestly class for interpreting the religious texts.
3. It popularized the doctrine that the Vedas are infallible.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

Q26. With reference to Uranium, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. It is weakly radioactive because all isotopes of uranium are unstable.
2. In India, only public sector companies under the Government of India are allowed to explore and mine atomic minerals like Uranium.
3. The largest deposits are found in China, South Africa, and Argentina.

Options:

- a) 1 and 2 only

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

Q27. Consider the following Pairs:

Tiger Reserve State

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|---------------------------|-------------|
| 1. Anamalai Tiger Reserve | Tamil Nadu  |
| 2. Satkosia Tiger Reserve | Odisha      |
| 3. Pilibhit Tiger Reserve | West Bengal |

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

Q28. Which of the following statements about Darwin Port is/are correct?

- 1. It is a port located on the South Western coast of Australia.
- 2. The US-owned Landbridge Group had won the bid for a lease of Port Darwin and the port hosts the annual naval exercise between the USA and Australia.

Options:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None

Q29. Dahla Dam recently seen in news is in

- a) Iran
- b) Pakistan

- c) Tajikistan
- d) Afghanistan

Q30. With reference to National Legal Services Authority, consider the following statements: (UPSC 2013)

1. Its objective is to provide free and competent legal services to the weaker sections of the society on the basis of equal opportunity.
2. It issues guidelines for the State Legal Services Authorities to implement the legal programmes and schemes throughout the country.

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

Q31. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The Union Territories (UT) of Puducherry and Delhi are the only two UTs with legislative assembly.
2. These Union territories can make laws on any subject in the State List only.
3. The President can establish a high court for a union territory or put it under the jurisdiction of the high court of adjacent state.

Options:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 1 and 3 only
- c) 2 only
- d) None

Q32. Kabasura Kudineer recently seen in news is a/an

- a) Formulation used by Siddha practitioners for managing respiratory health
- b) Ayurvedic medicine for nerve regeneration
- c) Ayurvedic formulation for the management of Diabetes
- d) Ayurvedic herb which acts as a blood purifier and detoxifier

Q33. Which of the following statements about Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS) is/are correct?

- 1. Drones flying Beyond Visual Line of Sight are controlled by data provided by on-board instruments.
- 2. Deploying a drone for BVLOS costs more than several other methods such as manned helicopters and airplanes.

Options:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None

Q34. With reference to Hajongs, which of the following statements is/are correct?

- 1. Hajongs are predominantly Buddhists and they speak Hajong, an Indo-Aryan language.
- 2. Hajongs are exogamous people who marry outside one's social group.

Options:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None

Q35. Consider the following statements: (UPSC 2017)

- 1. India has ratified the Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) of WTO.
- 2. TFA is a part of WTO's Bali Ministerial Package of 2013.

3. TFA came into force in January 2016.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q36. The Central Authorities are responsible for which of the following?

- 1. Manufacture, sale and distribution of Drugs.
- 2. Approval of New Drugs.
- 3. Clinical Trials in the country.
- 4. Laying down the standards for Drugs.
- 5. Control over the quality of imported Drugs.

Options:

- a) 1, 2, 3 & 5
- b) 1, 3, 4 & 5
- c) 2, 3, 4 & 5
- d) All of the Above

Q37. Arnesh Kumar judgment is related to which of the following?

- a) Defection of legislators
- b) Shortage of oxygen in the hospitals
- c) Guidelines related to arrests
- d) Euthanasia

Q38. Match the following:

- 1. Keibul Lamjao National Park A) Manipur
- 2. Kaziranga National Park B) Chhattisgarh

3. 3. Kanger Valley National Park C) Assam
4. 4. Bandipur National Park D) Karnataka

Select the correct option from below:

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

Q39. Consider the following countries/organisations:

1. Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)
2. South Korea
3. Japan
4. Sri Lanka

Select the correct options India has Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) with:

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 1 & 2
- c) Only 1, 2 & 3
- d) All of the Above

Q40. The function of heavy water in a nuclear reactor is to

- a) Slow down the speed of neutrons
- b) Increase the speed of neutrons
- c) Cool down the reactor
- d) Stop the nuclear reaction

Q41. Which of the following is/are correct regarding Gopal Krishna Gokhale?

1. He became Congress president at its Banaras session in 1905.
2. He was regarded by Mahatma Gandhi as his political guru.

3. He started a weekly newspaper, 'The Hitavada', in Marathi.

Select the correct option from below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) All of the above

Q42. Which of the following is/are incorrect regarding 'Dharmatma Gokhale'?

1. It was a book written by Bal Gangadhar Tilak as a tribute to Gopal Krishna Gokhale.
2. It was written in Sanskrit.

Options:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None

Q43. Which of the following is incorrect regarding Rabindranath Tagore?

- a) Rabindranath Tagore was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1913 for Gitanjali.
- b) In 1874, Tagore's poem Abhilaash was published anonymously in a magazine called Tattobodhini.
- c) In 1905, following the partition of Bengal, Tagore renounced his knighthood.
- d) In 1921, Rabindranath Tagore established Viswabharati University.

Q44. Which of the following amendments were made to the Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) in 2020?

1. Foreign contribution must be received only in an account designated by the bank as an "FCRA account" in the Delhi branch of the State Bank of India.
2. The government may conduct an inquiry before renewing the FCRA certificate to ensure that the person making the application is not indulging in activities aimed at religious conversion.

3. A person who receives foreign contribution must not use more than 20% of the contribution for meeting administrative expenses.

Select the correct option from below:

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

Q45. Consider the following areas: (UPSC 2012)

1. Bandipur
2. Bhitarkanika
3. Manas
4. Sunderbans

Which of the above are Tiger Reserves?

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

Q46. Which of the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) is/are correct?

1. PMGKAY is a part of Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package (PMGKP) to help the poor fight the battle against Covid-19.
2. The scheme is aimed at providing each household covered under the National Food Security Act with an additional 5 kg grains (wheat or rice) for free, in addition to the 5 kg of subsidised food grain already provided through the Public Distribution System (PDS).
3. The central Govt. and the state Govts will share the burden of expenditure on account of intrastate transportation in the ratio of 90:10.

Select the correct option from below:



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

Q47. Consider the following statements regarding Tanjore paintings:

1. They are painted mostly on cloth and vellum.
2. They depict a liberal use of golden leaf.
3. Lord Krishna and his life is a major theme of these paintings.

Select the correct answer using the options given below:

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

Q48. Which of the following is part of the 'Charter of Duties' of the Indian Coast Guard?

1. Safety and Protection of Artificial Islands and Offshore Terminals
2. Protection of Fishermen
3. Assistance to Fishermen in Distress at Sea
4. Preservation and Protection of Marine Environment
5. Prevention and Control of Marine Pollution

Select the correct option from below:

- a) 1, 2 & 3
- b) 1, 2, 3 & 4
- c) 2, 3 & 5
- d) All of the Above

Q49. Consider the following statements:

1. Jal Jeevan Mission is being implemented in partnership with States/UTs to provide safe tap water to every rural home by 2034.
2. Puducherry has become India's first 'Har Ghar Jal' UT by ensuring that every rural home in the Union Territory gets a household tap connection.
3. For Jal Jeevan Mission there is assured fund available under the 15th Finance Commission tied-grant to RLB/PRIs for water & sanitation.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 3 only
- d) All of the Above

Q50. What is the role of ultraviolet (UV) radiation in the water purification systems? (UPSC 2012)

1. It inactivates/kills the harmful microorganisms in water.
2. It removes all the undesirable odours from the water.
3. It quickens the sedimentation of solid particles, removes turbidity and improves the clarity of water.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q51. Consider the following statements: (UPSC 2018)

1. In the first Lok Sabha, the single largest party in the opposition was the Swatantra Party.
2. In the Lok Sabha, a "Leader of the Opposition" was recognised for the first time in 1969.
3. In the Lok Sabha, if a party does not have a minimum of 75 members, its leader cannot be recognised as the Leader of Opposition.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

Q52. What are S&P, Moody's and Fitch, which are often seen in news and referred to as the 'Big Three'?

- a) Multinational private banks
- b) Legal consulting firms
- c) Credit rating agencies
- d) Multilateral lending institutions

Q53. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Cyclonic activity is comparatively less intense in the Arabian Sea, as compared to the Bay of Bengal.
2. Arabian Sea cyclones are also relatively weak compared to those emerging in the Bay of Bengal.
3. But the number of cyclones that form in the Arabian Sea in a year is roughly the same as the number of cyclones that form in the Bay of Bengal.

Options:-

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

Q54. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) is an autonomous and statutory body mandated to monitor and regulate in-country and inter-country adoptions.
2. CARA is responsible for granting a 'no objection' certificate for all inter-country adoptions, pursuant to India becoming a signatory to the 1993 Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Co- operation in Respect of Inter-country Adoptions.
3. India is also a signatory to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Options:-

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

Q55. Which of the following are located to the west and east of Strait of Hormuz respectively?

- a) Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman
- b) Arabian Sea and Iran
- c) Saudi Arabia and Kuwait
- d) Iran and Qatar

Q56. Which of the following countries are members of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC)?

- 1. Saudi Arabia
- 2. Pakistan
- 3. India
- 4. Turkey

Options:-

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

Q57. Consider the following statements: (UPSC 2016)

The India-Africa Summit

- 1. Held in 2015 was the third such Summit.
- 2. Was actually initiated by Jawaharlal Nehru in 1951.

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

Q58. The Bolshevik Party and its revolution was concerned with which country?

- a) France
- b) Russia
- c) Venezuela
- d) Turkey

Q59. Which states/UTs are involved in the Cauvery river dispute?

- 1. Karnataka
- 2. Tamil Nadu
- 3. Kerala
- 4. Puducherry
- 5. Andhra Pradesh

Options:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 1, 2 and 3 only
- c) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
- d) 1, 2, 4 and 5 only

Q60. What is Iron Dome of Israel?

- a) A sacred religious site which is revered by both Palestinian Muslims and Israeli Jews
- b) An advanced cyber weapon developed by Israeli intelligence to target Iran's critical infrastructure
- c) A mobile all-weather air defense system designed to intercept and destroy short-range rockets and artillery shells
- d) Israel's naval blockade of Gaza strip to deny essential supplies to Hamas militants in the Gaza strip

Q61. Which of the following statement/s is/are correct?

1. The Index of Industrial Production (IIP) is compiled and published monthly by the National Statistical Office (NSO) under the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation.
  2. Index of Industrial Production (IIP) represents the status of production in the industrial sector for a given period of time as compared to a reference period of time.
- a) 1 only  
b) 2 only  
c) Both 1 and 2  
d) Neither 1 nor 2

Q62. The terms 'Event Horizon', 'Singularity', 'String Theory' and 'Standard Model' are sometimes seen in the news in the context of -

- a) Observation and understanding of the Universe  
b) Study of the solar and the lunar eclipses  
c) Placing satellites in the orbit of the Earth  
d) Origin and evolution of living organisms on the Earth

Q63. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The National Health Mission (NHM) is an exclusive healthcare programme for rural areas.
2. States have no role in its implementation, it is entirely executed by the Centre.

Options:

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

Q64. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. Mucormycosis is a fungal infection caused by a group of moulds called mucormycetes.
2. Poor immunity, uncontrolled diabetes, steroid treatment are considered to be risk factors.
3. It is commonly referred to as Black Fungus and has been reported in patients recovering from COVID-19.

Options:

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

Q65. Who was referred to as 'Deenabandhu' for his contributions to the Indian independence movement?

- a) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- b) Charles Freer Andrews
- c) Jotirao Govindrao Phule
- d) Madan Mohan Malaviya

Q66. What is the purpose of the National Register of Citizens (NRC)?

- a) To identify native and indigenous tribes and distinguish them from outsiders
- b) To document all the legal citizens so that the illegal immigrants can be identified
- c) To facilitate rehabilitation of those facing religious persecution in neighbouring countries
- d) None of the above

Q67. Consider the following statements: (UPSC 2019)

1. Most of India's external debt is owed by governmental entities.
2. All of India's external debt is denominated in US dollars.

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

Q68. Which of the following statements regarding Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) Yojana is/are correct?

1. It is a 100 per cent centrally funded scheme under which Rs 6,000 is transferred in three equal installments to eligible farmer families in a year.
2. The responsibility of identifying the landholder farmer family eligible for benefit under the Scheme and uploading the data of the eligible beneficiaries on the PM-KISAN Portal is that of the States/UT Administrations.
3. Under the Scheme, the States/UTs are required to set up Grievance Redressal Committees for looking into the grievances related to the implementation of the scheme.
4. Data of grievances received/disposed of by the states is maintained centrally.

Options:

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

Q69. Which of the following can be considered competitive advantages of the red-eared slider over the native turtle species?

1. lower age at maturity
2. higher fecundity
3. larger adult body size

Select the correct option from below:

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 1 & 2
- c) Only 2 & 3
- d) All of the above



Q70. Consider the following statements:

1. The red-eared slider is traded illegally in India.
2. Continuous releasing of exotic pet turtles in natural ecosystems increases the risk of parasite transmission to native species.
3. Because of their omnivorous diet and ability to adapt to various habitats, the red-eared slider has a great potential for impacting indigenous habitats.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 & 2 only
- b) 2 & 3 only
- c) Only 3
- d) All of the above

Q71. Consider the following:

1. African Forest Elephant
2. African Savanna Elephant
3. Asian Elephant

Which of the above has/have been categorised as critically endangered by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)?

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 1 & 2
- c) Only 1 & 3
- d) All of the above

Q72. In India, if a religious sect/community is given "the status of a national minority", what special advantages it is entitled to? (UPSC 2011)

1. It can establish and administer exclusive educational institutions.
2. The President of India automatically nominates a representative of the community to Lok Sabha.
3. It can derive benefits from the Prime Minister's 15-Point Programme.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q73. Which of the following statement(s) regarding Zeolites is/are correct?

- 1. Zeolites do not occur naturally but are produced industrially on a large scale.
- 2. Zeolites are used as molecular sieves to create purified oxygen from air using its ability to trap impurities.
- 3. Zeolites are reusable

Options:

- a) 1 & 2
- b) 1 & 3
- c) 2 & 3
- d) All of the Above

Q74. Zeolites are used in the following:

- 1. Water softeners
- 2. Water filters
- 3. Odor control
- 4. Pet litter

Select the correct option from below:

- a) 1 & 2
- b) 1, 2 & 3
- c) 2 & 4
- d) All of the Above

Q75. Consider the following statements:

1. China is the fifth country to perform a successful soft landing successfully on Mars.
2. China's Tianhe Rover landed on the Moon in its first attempt.
3. India's Mangalyaan, launched in 2013, landed on the surface of Mars in its first attempt.

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 1 & 2
- c) Only 1 & 3
- d) None of the Above

Q76. NASA's Perseverance rover is related to:

- a) Mars
- b) Moon
- c) Sun and its Influence on Earth
- d) Venus

Q77. Which one of the following is a purpose of 'UDAY', a scheme of the Government? (UPSC 2016)

- a) Providing technical and financial assistance to start-up entrepreneurs in the field of renewable sources of energy
- b) Providing electricity to every household in the country by 2018
- c) Replacing the coal-based power plants with natural gas, nuclear, solar, wind and tidal power plants over a period of time
- d) Providing for financial turnaround and revival of power distribution companies

Q78. Consider the following statements:

1. India formally recognized Israel in 1992 when full diplomatic relations were established between India & Israel.
2. No Indian Prime Minister has made an official visit to Israel.
3. India has never voted in support of Israel at the UN or any of its committees.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only 1
- b) 1 & 2 only
- c) 1 & 3 only
- d) None of the above

Q79. Which of the following is/are weapons India has purchased from Israel?

- 1. Heron
- 2. SPYDER
- 3. Chinook
- 4. Python

Select the correct option from below:

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

Q80. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) is an advisory body of the Ministry of Women & Child Development.
- 2. CARA is designated as the Central Authority to deal with inter-country adoptions.
- 3. India has not ratified the Hague Convention on Inter-country Adoption, 1993.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Only 3
- d) All of the above

Q81. Consider the following statements:

1. National Tribunals Commission (NTC) is an independent autonomous body responsible for oversight as well as administration of tribunals, constituted in 2019.
2. The establishment of NTC was suggested by the Supreme Court in the Rojer Matthew case (2019).

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both
- d) None

Q82. Which of the following National Parks is unique in being a swamp with floating vegetation that supports a rich biodiversity? (UPSC 2016)

- a) Bhitarkanika National Park
- b) Keibul Lamjao National Park
- c) Keoladeo Ghana National Park
- d) Sultanpur National Park

Q83. Consider the following pairs:

Terrorist Group	Region
1. Al-Badr	West Africa
2. Al-Shabaab	East Africa
3. Boko Haram	Nigeria

Which of the above is/are correctly matched?

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

Q84. With reference to carving out a new district in a State, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. The power to create new districts or alter or abolish existing districts rests with the State Government with the consent of the Central Home Ministry.
2. It can be changed only by passing a law in the State Assembly.

Options:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None

Q85. Farzad B gas field recently seen in news is in

- a) Qatar
- b) Tajikistan
- c) Iran
- d) Azerbaijan

Q86. Which of the following statements about Wholesale Price Index (WPI) is/are correct?

1. WPI-based inflation is used by the government in the preparation of fiscal, trade, and other economic policies.
2. Core inflation is the total inflation in an economy.
3. 2015-2016 is the base year for the Wholesale Price Index (WPI).

Options:

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

Q87. Consider the following statements regarding the Directive Principles of State Policy: (UPSC 2015)

1. The Principles spell out the socio-economic democracy in the country.
2. The provisions contained in these Principles are not enforceable by any court.

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

Q88. Which one of the following statements is the best description of Minsk agreement?

- a) It is an agreement between Ukraine and Russia to resolve the conflict in eastern Ukraine
- b) It is an agreement between England and France to resolve the dispute over access to waters around the Jersey island
- c) It is an agreement between Armenia and Azerbaijan to resolve Nagorno-Karabakh conflict
- d) It is a collective defense treaty between Russia and seven other countries in Central and Eastern Europe

Q89. Which of the following is/are correctly matched?

1. Kerch Strait -Black Sea with the Sea of Azov
2. Strait of Messina- Tyrrhenian Sea with the Ionian Sea
3. Strait of Dover- North Sea with English Channel

Options:

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

Q90. Consider the following statements about Competition Commission of India (CCI):

1. Commission has suo moto power to enquire whether an anti-competitive agreement or abuse of dominant position causes or is likely to cause an appreciable adverse effect on competition.
2. It is a quasi-judicial body.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None

Q91. With reference to Right To Information Act, which of the following statements is/are incorrect?

1. An applicant making request for information shall not be required to give any reason for requesting the information or any other personal details.
2. Intelligence and security organizations specified in the 2nd schedule of the Act are exempted from providing information in all the cases.

Options:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None

Q92. A rapid increase in the rate of inflation is sometimes attributed to the “base effect”. What is “base effect”? (UPSC 2011)

- a) It is the impact of drastic deficiency in supply due to failure of crops
- b) It is the impact of the surge in demand due to rapid economic growth
- c) It is the impact of the price levels of previous year on the calculation of inflation rate
- d) None of the statements (a), (b) and (c) given above is correct in this context

Q93. Which of the following has/have been accorded the Geographical Indication (GI) tag?



1. Suvarnarekha mango
2. Banganapalli mango
3. Gholvad Sapota

Options:

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

Q94. With reference to President's Rule, which of the following statements is/are correct?

1. A proclamation imposing President's Rule must be approved by both the Houses of Parliament within three months from the date of its issue.
2. A law made by the Parliament or president or any other specified authority continues to be operative even after the President's Rule.
3. Chhattisgarh and Telangana are the only Indian states that have never slipped to President's rule.

Options:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) None
- d) 2 only

Q95. Consider the following statements about National Human Rights Commission (NHRC):

1. A person who has been Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, or a Judge of the Supreme Court can be the chairperson of the NHRC.
2. The chairperson and members of the NHRC will hold office for five years or till the age of seventy years.

Which of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only

- c) Both
- d) None

Q96. Which of the following statements about Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) is/are correct?

1. The CBI functions under the Ministry of Home Affairs.
2. With the nationalisation of the banks in 1969, the Public Sector Banks and their employees also came within the ambit of the CBI.

Options:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None

Q97. With reference to the cultural history of medieval India, consider the following statements: (UPSC 2016)

1. Siddhas (Sittars) of Tamil region were monotheistic and condemned idolatry.
2. Lingayats of Kannada region questioned the theory of rebirth and rejected the caste hierarchy.

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

Q98. Which of the following statements about pardoning powers of the Governor is/are correct?

1. The Governor can pardon, reprieve, respite, remit, suspend or commute a death sentence.
2. Governor does not have the power to pardon the sentence inflicted by a court-martial on the convict.

Options:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None

Q99. A-76 recently seen in news is

- a) A team of research scholars visiting Antarctica in an attempt to measure pollution and climate change
- b) A project funded by the European Space Agency (ESA) to understand the pole's gravity field
- c) A large iceberg that has broken off from the Ronne Ice Shelf in Antarctica
- d) An experiment being conducted in the Southern Ocean, Antarctica, aimed at increasing CO sequestration through ocean iron fertilization

Q100. Consider the following statements:

1. Tropical cyclones have much more intense rainfall than temperate cyclones.
2. Tropical cyclones are surrounded by closed isobars, the isobars of a temperate cyclone are generally elongated.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both
- d) None

## ANSWER KEY- SET 5

1. d	11. c	21. a	31. d	41. c	51. b	61. c	71. a	81. c	91. b
2. a	12. d	22. b	32. a	42. c	52. c	62. a	72. c	82. b	92. c
3. b	13. d	23. a	33. a	43. c	53. b	63. d	73. c	83. b	93. b
4. a	14. a	24. c	34. d	44. d	54. d	64. d	74. d	84. d	94. b
5. b	15. d	25. b	35. a	45. b	55. a	65. b	75. d	85. c	95. b
6. c	16. c	26. a	36. c	46. a	56. c	66. b	76. a	86. b	96. b
7. d	17. c	27. b	37. c	47. b	57. a	67. d	77. d	87. c	97. c
8. c	18. d	28. d	38. a	48. d	58. b	68. a	78. d	88. a	98. b
9. c	19. c	29. d	39. d	49. c	59. c	69. d	79. d	89. d	99. c
10. b	20. c	30. c	40. a	50. a	60. c	70. b	80. b	90. c	100. c