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Q.1) Consider the following statements regarding a bill contemplating the formation of a new state by separation of territory from another state:

1. It can be introduced in the Parliament only with the prior recommendation of the President.
2. Such a bill has to be referred to the State legislature concerned.
3. The views of the State legislature are binding on the Parliament.
4. It can be introduced in the Lok Sabha only.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.2) If Government of India decides to change the composition/structure of the GST council then which one of the following procedures for amendment is required to be followed as prescribed by the Constitution of India?

- a) Constitution needs to be amended by simple majority of Parliament
- b) Basic Structure doctrine do not allow to alter the distribution of powers between union and states
- c) Amendment by Special Majority of Parliament and also with the Consent of half of the State legislatures by a simple majority.
- d) Constitution needs to be amended by a special majority of the Parliament.

Q.3) The 86th Constitutional Amendment Act of 2002 made changes to

1. Fundamental Rights
2. Directive Principles of State Policy
3. Preamble
4. Fundamental Duties

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.4) Consider the following statements:

The concept of 'equality before law' connotes

1. Absence of any special privileges in favour of any person.
2. Similar application of the same laws to all persons who are similarly situated.
3. Establishing equality of legal status, opportunity and justice.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.5) Consider the following statements:

1. Constitution explicitly provides for provision that authorises the executive to declare martial law.
2. Writ of habeas corpus is suspended as a resultant outcome of declaration of martial law.
3. The authority to validate any sentence passed under the martial law is vested to the Parliament.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.6) Consider the following statements regarding 'Appeal by Special Leave':

1. Constitution provides for Supreme Court to grant special leave to appeal from any court.
2. It is a discretionary power of Supreme Court.
3. It cannot be granted against appeal by military tribunal and court martial.
4. The subject matter involved for granting special leave to appeal can be only constitutional in nature.

Which of the following statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.7) A person elected to which of the following office shall not be disqualified under the Tenth Schedule if he gives up the membership of the political party to which he belonged immediately before such election and rejoins the political party after he ceases to hold such office?

1. Speaker of the Lok Sabha
2. Deputy Chairman of the Rajya Sabha
3. Chairman of the State Legislative Council
4. Deputy Speaker of the Lok Sabha

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

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

Q.8) Which of the following is/are correct with reference to the Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN)?

1. It is the operational arm of the UNFCCC Technology Mechanism, hosted by the UN Environment Programme.
2. It promotes transfer of technologies for low carbon and climate resilient development.

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

Q.9) With reference to REDD+ (Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation-Plus), consider the following statements:

1. It is a climate change mitigation mechanism developed by the United Nations Environment Programme.
2. It aims to enhance forest carbon stocks along with sustainable management of forests.
3. The objective of this mechanism is to create a financial value for the carbon stored in forests.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.10) With reference to La Nina, consider the following statements:

1. During La Nina conditions, trade winds become weaker than they usually are.
2. It is associated with enhanced upwelling.
3. It results in unusual cooling of the sea surface temperatures.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only

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

Q.11) Variations in the length of daytime and night time from season to season are due to

- a) The earth's rotation on its axis
- b) The earth's revolution round the sun in an elliptical manner
- c) Latitudinal position of the place
- d) Revolution of the earth on a tilted axis.

Q.12) Consider the following statements:

1. Land breeze occurs when there is low pressure area over the land.
2. Sea breeze occurs when the pressure gradient is from the land to the sea
3. The land and sea breeze occur due to phenomena of convection.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.13) What would happen if phytoplankton of an ocean is completely destroyed for some reason?

1. The ocean as a carbon sink would be adversely affected.
2. The food chains in the ocean would be adversely affected.
3. The density of ocean water would drastically decrease.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

Q.14) Which of the following is the best description of 'Orobanch', recently seen in news?

- a) It is an invasive species spreading in the backwaters of Kerala.
- b) It is a species of flowering plant used in the production of biofuel.
- c) It is a parasitic weed which attacks food crops.
- d) It is an edible oyster found in coastal areas.

Q.15) With reference to Ilbert Bill proposed in 1883, which of the statements given below is/are correct?

1. The bill sought to create equality between British and Indian judges in the country.

2. It was strongly objected by the Indians and protests were held against it.
3. It did not come into force and was withdrawn by the government.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

Q.16) Consider the following events in the history of India:

1. Royal Titles Act passed
2. Setting up of the High Courts at Calcutta, Bombay and Madras
3. Appointment of Hunter Commission for education
4. Appointment of Richard Strachey Commission on famine

What is the correct chronological order of the above events, starting from the earliest time?

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

Q.17) Consider the following statements regarding Dadabhai Naoroji:

1. He was elected as a Member of Parliament in the United Kingdom.
2. He organized the East India Association in London.
3. He presided over the first session of the Indian National Congress.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

Q.18) The Lahore Session of the Indian National Congress (1929) is very important in the history of India's struggle for independence because

1. The congress passed a resolution demanding complete independence.
2. The rift between the extremists and moderates was resolved in that session.
3. A resolution was passed rejecting two nation theory in that session.

Which of the statements given above is/ are correct?

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

Q.19) With respect to socio-religious reform movement, which of the following statement is/are *incorrect* about Faraizi movement?

1. It was a revolutionary movement with a paramilitary force.
2. It was initially directed against the Sikhs in Punjab.
3. It had an organizational system with a khalifa at every level.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

Q.20) Consider the following pairs:

<i>Traditions</i>	<i>Communities</i>
1. Chaliha Sahib Festival	Sindhis
2. Nanda Raj Jaat Yatra	Gonds
3. Wari-Warkari	Santhals

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

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

Q.21) Which of the following statements is *incorrect* with regard to the Gandhara School of art?

- a) It had the confluence of Bactria, Parthia and the local Gandhara tradition.
- b) It was patronized by Kushana rulers.
- c) The Buddha is shown in a spiritual state with wavy hair and fewer ornaments.
- d) It used spotted red sandstone.

Q.22) Which of the following is correct regarding Nagara style of temple architecture?

- a) It was popular in Central and Southern India.
- b) Latina, Phamsana and Valabhi style are its three subtypes based on the shikharas.
- c) A pyramidal structure called Vimana is used at the top of the temple.
- d) Presence of water tank and elaborate boundary walls around temple is an important feature of this style.

Q.23) In the context of the cultural history of India, 'Sarvatobhadra' is a type of

- a) Folk Dance
- b) Painting
- c) Temple
- d) Literature

Q.24) Consider the following statements regarding Buddhism:

- 1. Mahabhinishkramana of Buddha is represented by Peepal Leaf.
- 2. Buddha urged that one should only adhere to his teachings for attaining nirvana.
- 3. Buddha recommended an eight-fold path for the elimination of human misery.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.25) Which of the following items are exempted from the Goods and Services Tax (GST)?

- 1. PPEs
- 2. Sanitary napkins
- 3. Lottery tickets
- 4. Satellite launch services by ISRO
- 5. Electric Vehicles
- 6. Alcohol for human consumption

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a) 2, 4 and 6 only
- b) 2, 5 and 6 only
- c) 1, 3 and 5 only
- d) 1, 2, 4 and 6 only

Q.26) Consider the following statements:

1. The total liabilities of the Central Government, as a ratio of GDP, increased steadily after the enactment of the FRBM Act, 2003.
2. The debt to GDP ratio of states has steadily declined since the implementation of UDAY scheme in 2015-16.

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

Q.27) Which of the following documents are presented along with the Union Budget?

1. Finance bill
2. Appropriation bill
3. Macro economic framework statement.
4. Fiscal policy strategy statement.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

Q.28) Which of the following is the correct explanation for the 'off-budget borrowing'?

- a) These are the borrowings from RBI to fulfil expenditure needs.
- b) Borrowings which are directly taken by the state governments from Indian banks.
- c) These are the borrowings from International Financial institutions to finance development projects.
- d) Loans taken by public institutions on behalf of the Centre to fulfil its expenditure.

Q.29) Which of the following is/are steps that the RBI can take to reduce inflation?

1. Increasing the Cash Reserve Ratio
2. Check over hoarding and black-marketing of commodities
3. Increasing the Repo Rate
4. Buying government securities from banks

Select the correct answer using the code give below:

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

Q.30) Consider the following pairs:

<i>Curve</i>	<i>Features</i>
1. Laffer curve	Relationship between tax rates and revenues
2. J-curve	Shows degree of income inequality
3. Phillips curve	Relationship between unemployment and inflation
4. Lorenz curve	Relationship between Balance of Payments deficit and devaluation

Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

Q.31) With reference to 'hyperloop', consider the following statements:

- 1. It uses magnetic levitation which allows the travel pods to float in pneumatic tubes.
- 2. The speeds achieved can be faster than that of aircrafts.
- 3. The pressure of the air inside the Hyperloop tube is kept higher than the atmospheric pressure at sea level.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

Q.32) Consider the following statement regarding 'Gaganyaan Mission':

- 1. The objective of the mission is to send a three-member crew to space.
- 2. It will make India the third nation after USA and Russia to launch a Human Spaceflight Mission.
- 3. The orbital module will circle the earth at a high-earth-orbit.
- 4. GSLV Mk III will be used to launch Gaganyaan mission.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.33) Which of the following pairs is/are correctly matched?

<i>Wildlife Sanctuary</i>	<i>State</i>
1. Boramdeo Wildlife Sanctuary	Chhattisgarh
2. Nugu Wildlife Sanctuary	Karnataka
3. Sajnakali Wildlife Sanctuary	West Bengal

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) All of the above

Q.34) Consider the following statements regarding the Pangong Tso:

1. It is a saltwater lake.
2. It lies south of Tso Moriri.
3. It is a wetland of international importance under Ramsar Convention.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.35) Consider the following statements:

1. Senkaku island is the disputed island between Russia and China.
2. Nagorno-Karabakh is a disputed territory between Armenia and Azerbaijan.
3. Tigray is a conflict zone on the Ethiopia-Eritrea border in Africa.
4. Bougainville island has recently voted for a referendum to gain independence from Papua New Guinea.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q.36) The Camp David Accords commonly seen in news, is related to?

- a) Denuclearization of Korean Peninsula
- b) Egypt and Israel's peace agreement
- c) Israel and UAE's peace agreement
- d) United States of America and Russia's missile pact.

Q.37) Which of the following best describes the idea of 'Vaccine nationalism' in the context of COVID-19?

- a) Vaccine distribution channels benefitting the rich nations while depriving the least developed and developing countries access to vaccines.
- b) Countries signing pre-purchase agreements with vaccine manufacturers to procure secure doses of vaccines for its own citizens or residents.
- c) An international initiative for clinical trials launched by the WHO, along with partners, to help find an effective treatment for Covid-19.
- d) A delay in acceptance or refusal of vaccines despite availability of vaccination services.

Q.38) Consider the following statements with reference to Financial Action Task Force (FATF):

1. It is an inter-governmental body established on the initiative of the G20.
2. It set standards and promote effective implementation of measures for threats to the integrity of the international financial systems.
3. Pakistan was recently placed on the FATF Black list.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.39) Which of the following tax(s) is/are levied on Petrol in India?

1. Central Excise duty
2. State VAT/Sales tax
3. Goods and Services Tax

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

Q.40) Consider the following statements regarding the Jal Jeevan Mission (Urban):

1. It aims to provide universal coverage of water supply to all households through functional taps in all statutory towns.

2. Ministry of Jal Shakti has launched Pey Jal Survekshan 2021 to collect data on drinking water in Indian cities. 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

PASSAGE (Q.41 – Q.43)

The conclusion of the World Trade Organization's 11th biennial ministerial conference at Buenos Aires was worrisome. From an Indian standpoint, there was no loss as status quo continues in the most important issue: the right to continue the food security programme by using support prices. But the inability of the negotiators to reach even one substantive outcome suggests that WTO's efficacy is under question. As a 164-country multilateral organisation dedicated to crafting rules of trade through consensus, WTO represents the optimal bet for developing countries such as India. Strengthening WTO is in India's best interest. Perhaps the biggest threat to WTO's efficacy today is the attitude of the US. The world's largest economy appears to have lost faith in the organisation and has begun to undermine one of its most successful segments, the dispute redressal mechanism. This is significant as the US has been directly involved in nearly half of all cases brought to WTO. Separately, large groups of countries decided to pursue negotiations on e-commerce, investment facilitation, and removal of trade

obstacles for medium and small-scale industries. By itself, this should not weaken WTO. But it comes at a time when there is growing frustration with gridlock at WTO.

India did well to defend its position on its food security programme. The envisaged reform package which will see a greater use of direct cash transfers to beneficiaries will be in sync with what developed countries do. But it's important for India to enhance its efforts to reinvigorate WTO. In this context, India's plan to organise a meeting of some countries early next year is a step in the right direction. WTO represents the best available platform to accommodate the interests of a diverse set of nations. Therefore, India should be at the forefront of moves to fortify it.

Q.41) Why was the WTO's 11th biennial ministerial conference worrisome?

- a) Denial of states quo.
- b) Inability of negotiators to reach to the substantive outcome for the problems.
- c) Rift in the policies suggested by WTO on IPR.
- d) Non-cooperation from the Indian government on various matters.

Q.42) What is the biggest threat to WTO's efficacy today?

- a) India being not working in its best interest.
- b) Lost of faith in WTO by the US.
- c) Negotiators of WTO are not decision takers.
- d) WTO's lame attitude towards global trade.

Q.43) Which of the following is the most successful segments of the WTO mentioned in the passage?

- a) Dispute redressal mechanism
- b) Intellectual Property Rights
- c) Reviewer of government's trade policies.
- d) Agreement on trade in services

Direction for (Q.44): Study the following graph carefully and answer the given questions.

The table shows the number of days taken by Ram to complete the given percentage of work and the time ratio of Ram to Shyam to complete the whole work.

JOB NAME	Percentage of Work done by Ram	Number of days taken by Ram	Days ratio of Ram to Shyam to complete the whole work done
P	20%	5	5: 4
Q	50%	12	4: 3
R	40%	12	2: 1
S	15%	3	5: 6
T	30%	6	5: 4

Q.44) Find the total wage to complete Job-Q?

Statement I: Ram and Shyam started working to complete Job-Q with their 33.33% and 25% less than the original efficiency respectively. The ratio of the number of days taken by Ram and Shyam to complete Job-B is 3: 4. The difference between their wages is Rs. 240.

Statement II: Shyam started working to complete Job-Q. After 6 days Ram also joins with his and increased his efficiency by 25%. Ram left the work 5 days before the work was completed and get Rs. 8400 as wage.

- a) Only statement I alone is sufficient to answer
- b) Only statement II alone is sufficient to answer
- c) Either statement I or II alone is sufficient to answer the question
- d) Both statements I and II alone are sufficient to answer the question

Direction for (Q.45 - Q.46): Study the following table carefully and answer the questions given below :

Number of students enrolled with five courses over the years.

Year	History	IR	Geography	Physics	Music
2016	320	520	400	450	480
2017	350	540	380	480	500
2018	300	460	410	420	520
2019	360	480	430	460	470
2020	340	530	390	470	530

Q.45) The average number of students enrolled for History for all the years together is approximately

what percent of the average number of students enrolled for Geography for all the years together?

- a) 74%
- b) 83%
- c) 88%
- d) 92%

Q.46) If from History in 2019, 90% of the students enrolled appeared in a competitive examination, out of which 75% students passed, how many students passed the examination?

- a) 272
- b) 236
- c) 248
- d) 243

Q.47) Look at this series: 700, 350, 360, 180, ---, 95... What number should fill the blank?

- a) 85
- b) 90
- c) 190
- d) 178

Direction for (Q.48 – Q.49): A cinema complex with six movie theaters never shows the same movie in more than one theater. One of the theaters is the same size as any other, with number 1 being the largest and going in order to number 6, the smallest. The theater also has the following rules:

- It will never show more than two A-rated movies at once.

- It will always show at least one U-rated movie and one U/A-rated movie in the two middle-sized theaters (theaters 3 and 4).
- It will never show more than one foreign film at a time and never in the biggest theater.
- The starting times of movies will be staggered by fifteen minutes and will always be on the quarter-hour.
- Employees need twenty minutes between showings to dean the theaters. The cinema has the following films to choose from this particular week:

Jism 2, rated A

La Casa De Papel, a Spanish film rated U/A

Toilet, rated U

Grand Masti, rated A

KKKG, rated U/A

Parasite, a Korean film rated A

Jumbo, rated S

KP3, rated U

Q.48) Which one of the following is an acceptable listing of films to show this week?

- Jism 2, Parasite, Jumbo, La Casa De Papel, KP3, and Grand Masti
- Jism 2, Parasite, Jumbo, KP3, Grand Masti, and Toilet
- La Casa De Papel, KKKG, Parasite, Jism 2, KKKG, and Jumbo
- Jism 2, KKKG, Parasite, Jumbo, KP3, and Grand Masti

Q.49) Jism 2 is doing the most business, followed by Jumbo and, to the management's surprise, Parasite. The management wants to move Parasite to a larger theater. Which theater is the most logical?

- Theater 2
- Theater 3
- Theater 4
- Theater 5

Q.50) Find the average of first 61 natural numbers.

- 43
- 40
- 31
- 33