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- With respect to Regional Rural Banks (RRBs), which of the following statements is not correct?
 - Regional Rural Banks were set up on the basis of the recommendations of the Narasimham Working Group (1975).
 - The equity of a regional rural bank is held by the Central Government, concerned State Government and the Sponsor Bank in the proportion of 50:35:15.
 - The RRB's have also been brought under the ambit of priority sector lending on par with the commercial banks.
 - The main objectives of RRB's are to provide credit and other facilities, especially to the small and marginal farmers, agricultural labourers artisans and small entrepreneurs in rural areas.
- Which of the given statements is/are correct regarding inflation?
 - In the case of Cost Push Inflation the overall output in the economy does not fall
 - Deflation is when the overall price level in the economy falls for a period of time.
 - The core inflation measures exclude the prices of highly volatile food and fuel componentsSelect the correct answer using the codes given below:
 - 3 only
 - 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
- Consider the following statements regarding Poverty estimation in India:
 - Poverty estimation in India is now carried out by NITI Aayog's task force
 - Poverty line estimation in India is based on the income levels
- Up until 1993-94, the poverty line was based on Uniform Resource Period (URP) Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 - 1 and 2 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
- Consider the following :
 - Inability to shift growth strategies
 - Skewed income distribution .
 - Recurring boom-bust cycles .Which of the above is/are reason/reasons behind the countries falling in Middle Income Trap?
 - 1 and 3 only
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1 and 2 only
 - 1, 2 and 3
- Which of the following factors can lead to Demand-pull inflation?
 - Strong consumer demand
 - Increase in money supply
 - When prices go up
 - Technological innovationSelect the correct answer using the code given below:
 - 2 and 3 only
 - 1, 2 and 4 only
 - 1, 3 and 4 only
 - 1, 2, 3 and 4
- Which of the following statements is/are correct regarding Progressive taxation?
 - A progressive tax imposes a higher percentage rate on taxpayers who have higher incomes
 - Sales Tax is an example of Progressive tax
 - A progressive tax system also tends to

collect more taxes than flat taxes or regressive taxes.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

7. Which of the following constitute a part of the revenue receipts of the government of India?

- 1. Interest receipts on loan by the Government
- 2. Dividends earned by the Government on investments
- 3. Receipts through PSU disinvestments
- 4. Cash grants-in-aid from foreign countries

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

8. Which of the following is/are the possible impacts of the devaluation of a currency in a country?

- 1. It may help in combating inflation.
- 2. It may lead to an increase in aggregate demand for domestically produced goods.
- 3. It may lead to an improvement in the current account balance.

Select the correct code:

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

9. Balance of Payments (BoP) deficit can be reduced by:

- 1. Appreciation of domestic currency
- 2. Restricting unnecessary imports
- 3. Providing export subsidies to domestic producers
- 4. Borrowing from abroad

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

- (d) 1 and 4 only

10. Which of the following are the demerits of Direct taxes?

- 1. Externality is included.
- 2. It has a narrow base.
- 3. It is elastic in nature.
- 4. High taxes reduce foreign investment.
- 5. It is prone to tax evasion.

Select the correct option using the codes given below:

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

11. Which of the following are components of the Institutional Factors in agriculture?

- 1. Land Holdings.
- 2. Computerisation of Land Records.
- 3. Agricultural Credit.
- 4. Seeds.
- 5. Abolition of Intermediaries.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

12. With reference to various reserve ratios of RBI, consider the following statements:

- 1. Cash Reserve Ratio is to be maintained on a daily basis whereas the Statutory Liquidity ratio is to be maintained on a fortnightly basis.
- 2. The Cash Reserve Ratio is to be maintained as per the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 whereas the Statutory Liquidity Ratio is to be maintained as per the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.
- 3. The Reserve Bank of India can decide CRR without any floor or ceiling rate as per the situational demands of the economy

Select the incorrect statements by using the codes given below:

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

13. Consider the following statements regarding Special Drawing Rights (SDR) of IMF:

1. The value of SDRs are immune from daily exchange rate fluctuations.
2. The least weightage is accorded to the latest currency added to the SDR basket.

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

14. With reference to the Cropping Pattern, consider the following statements:

1. Temperature has a great bearing on the cropping pattern of an area.
2. Monocropping creates conditions for the spread of pests and diseases in plants.
3. The income maximisation aspect plays an important role in influencing the cropping pattern in the country.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

15. In the context of Indian economy, which of the following events are likely to happen as a result of the surge in the Capital Inflows of the country?

1. Increase the levels of investment which will result in economic growth
2. Indian Rupee will depreciate
3. Increased competitiveness of exports
4. Rise in inflation

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

16. Consider the following factors:

1. Fear of currency war.
2. Dear Money policy of USA's federal reserves.

3. Stiff competition by stock markets around the world.

4. Rise in crude oil prices.

Which of the above factors are responsible for the fall in India's forex reserves?

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

17. With reference to Pulses, consider the following statements:

1. Pulses help in the Nitrogen fixation in the soil.
2. Bihar is the leading producer of Pulses in India.
3. Pulse crops are grown only during the Kharif season in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

18. The terms 'Dovish' and 'Hawkish' are often seen in news in the context of:

- (a) To describe the monetary policy stances
- (b) To denote stages of the spread of disease in a pandemic
- (c) To describe the growth phases in the Stock market
- (d) To denotes the phases of business cycle

19. Consider the following statements:

1. The appreciation and depreciation of a currency is a feature of the floating exchange rate regime.
2. The official annual rate of appreciation and depreciation of an asset are fixed by a country.
3. The concept of deficit and surplus exists only in relation to the Current Account.

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

20. In the context of Minimum Support Prices, consider the following statements:
1. Inter-crop price parity and International price situation are taken into consideration while determining MSP's.
 2. MSP falls under the Amber Box Category of WTO.
 3. MSP is defined as the Price at which the FCI sells the food grain for PDS consumption.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

21. Consider the following financial institutions:

1. Non Banking Financial Institutions(NBFCs)
2. National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development
3. Cooperative Banks
4. Export and Import Bank of India

Which of the given financial institutions come under full fledged regulation and supervision of RBI? Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

22. Consider the following:

1. Revenue Deficit
2. Capital Expenditure
3. Effective Revenue Deficit Grants or expenditure used for creation of Assets are calculated under which of the given heads?

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

23. Consider the following statements about the Essential Commodities Act:

1. This Act comes under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs.
2. This Act regulates only the supply and distribution of commodities but not their production.

3. Fertilisers are included in the Essential Commodities Act.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

24. In context of the Priority Sector Lending in India, consider the following statements:

1. Priority sector guidelines give preferential rate of interest for priority sector loans
2. As per recent RBI's norms, incremental priority sector credit will be given to the identified districts to address the regional disparities in the flow of credit on a district level
3. The districts for incremental credit flow will be identified using the aspirational district criteria

Select the incorrect statements using the codes given below:

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

25. Recently, the government has proposed to introduce a Buy Back Tax on companies, which of the following is incorrect about the buyback of shares?

- (a) Companies resort to the buyback of shares to escape the capital gains tax
- (b) Buyback helps in improving the earnings per share for continuing shareholders and perks up the return on equity
- (c) It can also be done when the promoters want to hike their stake in the company, sometimes to avoid any takeover threats
- (d) In a buyback company repurchases a certain amount of its outstanding shares and extinguishes them once taken back

26. Consider the following statements:

1. Jute is primarily grown in West Bengal, Odisha and Assam and Andhra Pradesh.
2. Cold desert areas of India such as Lahaul and Spiti, Ladakh are suitable for cultivation of Asafoetida.

3. Tea grows well in stagnant soil as it enhances the water availability to the roots.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

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) All of the above

27. Consider the following reports/surveys:

- 1. Consumer Confidence Survey
- 2. Inflation Expectation Survey
- 3. Trend and Progress of banking in India
- 4. Indian Economy Prospects
- 5. Financial Stability Report

Which of the above given reports/ surveys are published by RBI as part of its policy research and data dissemination function? Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

30. The Reserve Bank has specified certain regulatory trigger points, as a part of prompt corrective action (PCA) Framework. Which of the following are included as parameters for introducing a Prompt Corrective Action Framework in a particular bank?

- 1. Capital to risk weighted assets ratio
- 2. Debt Service Obligation
- 3. Net non-performing assets
- 4. Return on Assets

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

28. Which of the following document(s) is/are published while presenting the Union Budget?

- 1. Fiscal Policy Strategy Statement
- 2. Medium-Term expenditure Framework Statement
- 3. Annual Financial Statement
- 4. Demand for Grants
- 5. Supplementary Demand for grants

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

31. Consider the following:

- 1. Agricultural implements
- 2. Silkworm laying cocoon
- 3. Processed fish
- 4. Raw silk
- 5. Electricity

Which of the following good(s) is/are exempted from the application of the Goods and Services Tax?

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

29. With reference to Agriculture in India, consider the following statements:

- 1. Jhumming is practised in Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram.
- 2. In states like West Bengal and Odisha, three crops of paddy are grown in a year.
- 3. Madhuban Gajar variety is rich in high beta carotene and iron content.

32. Which of the following are the favourable manufacturing techniques from the perspective of a circular economy?

- 1. Increasing the life of a product.
- 2. Short term renting of electronic gadgets.
- 3. Avoidance of single use plastics.
- 4. Sharing a business platform for mutually compatible purposes.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

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

33. Consider the following statements regarding the transport infrastructure of the country:

1. Road transport forms a major portion of the overall Gross Value Addition by the transport sector.
2. India has the largest network of roads (including rural-urban, national, and state highways) across the globe.
3. Around 95% of India's external trade is done via the sea route.

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

34. Consider the following factors:

1. Export of assembled goods to the richer countries.
2. Surge in protectionist policies among the countries.
3. Lack of Demographic dividend.
4. Political instability
5. Improved transport and communication infrastructure.

Which of the above factors are likely to act as an obstacle for India to be a part of the global assembly chain for the Networked products?

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

35. Consider the following reforms regarding Manufacturing in India:

1. Environmentally sustainable growth.
2. Increase in Global competitiveness.
3. 100 million additional jobs by 2025.
4. 10% increase in the share of Manufacturing in GDP.

Which of the above are enumerated in the Make in India programme of the government?

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

36. In the midst of COVID pandemic, it is believed that Atmanirbhar Bharat is the need of the hour.

Which of the following would aid India in its path of Self-reliance or Atmanirbhar?

1. Disinvestment of the PSUs.
2. Ease of Doing Business.
3. Credit Guarantee for the MSMEs.
4. Networked Products.
5. Increasing FDI

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

37. With reference to Indian economy, consider the following statements:

1. Primary sector comprises more than half of the employed workforce of the Indian economy.
2. Contraction has been witnessed in the service, industries and Agriculture sector in financial year 2020-2021 in the backdrop of pandemic

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

38. In the context of Foreign investment, consider the following financial instruments:

1. External Commercial Borrowings
2. Masala Bonds
3. American Depository Receipts
4. Indian Depository Receipts

Which of the following financial instrument(s) can be used for raising money from abroad?

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

39. In context of the currency swap agreements, consider the following statements:

1. Currency swap agreements carry zero exchange rate or other market risks

2. Currency swap agreements can also be used as an out of market transaction to stop the depreciation of Rupee

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

40. Which of the following grants/grant direct credit assistance to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME)?

- 1. National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)
- 2. Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)
- 3. MUDRA Bank

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

41. Which of the following event(s) is/are most likely to happen as a consequence(s) of a liquidity trap in the economy?

- 1. People keep their funds in fixed and demand deposits instead of investing in bonds and other financial instruments
- 2. The Central banks will start to increase the repo rates to make the money market more liquid

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

42. If everyone started withdrawing their time deposits with banks due to low returns, the immediate effect on aggregate money supply in the economy will be

- (a) Money supply and monetary base will reduce
- (b) Money supply will increase
- (c) Monetary base will expand
- (d) Money supply will remain unchanged

43. Which of the below mentioned steps are likely to cause the appreciation of rupee against dollar?

- 1. Increase limit of FPI in Indian Bond market.
- 2. Currency Swap Agreements with other countries.
- 3. Increase threshold for External Commercial borrowings.
- 4. Dollar Swap between RBI and the Indian banks.
- 5. Dear Money Policy of RBI.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

44. Consider the following statements:

- 1. WTO's peace clause is an exception to the agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures.
- 2. WTO's Agreement on Agriculture, fixes the upper limit of subsidies for developed countries, while the developing countries are not subjected to any upper limit.
- 3. The extension of the Peace Clause on subsidies was the outcome of the Nairobi package, 2015.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

45. Which of the situations given below are likely to increase the External Debt of the country?

- 1. Increase deposits in the Foreign Currency Non- Residents Accounts (FCNR).
- 2. Tightening the thresholds on the External Commercial Borrowings.
- 3. Increase in the share of SDR receipts.
- 4. Appreciation of rupee with respect to dollars.
- 5. Decreasing subsidies on exports.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

- (a) 1, 2, and 3 only
- (b) 1, 3, and 5 only

- (c) 1, 3, and 4 only
- (d) 3, 4, and 5 only

46. Consider the following statements:

1. Gold exchange traded funds are better for tax saving as compared to physical gold.
2. Increase in investment in gold ETF will increase the current account deficit.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

47. Consider the following statements regarding Masala Bonds :

1. They are the rupee-denominated bonds and are a source of debt financing for the public and private sector.
2. They are issued by the International Finance Corporation, which is an arm of the International Monetary Fund.
3. These bonds can only be issued to a resident of such a country which is a member of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF).

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

48. Which of the following food items does not come under the ambit of Goods and Service tax (GST) ?

1. Milk in Tetra Pack
2. Cereals
3. Packed Paratha
4. Tender coconut
5. Plain roti/chapati
6. Frozen fish products
7. Tea leaves

Select the correct answer using the codes given below :

- (a) 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7 only
- (b) 2, 4 and 7 only
- (c) 3, 4, 5 and 6 only
- (d) 3, 5 and 7 only

49. Which of the following is/are related to the Estimation of Poverty in India ?

1. Rangarajan Committee.
2. Tendulkar Committee.
3. NSSO's Mixed Recall Period.
4. Dr V.M Dandekar and Nilkantha Rath Committee.
5. Alagh Committee.
6. Lakdawala Committee.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below:

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

50. Unemployment Trap can be defined as the condition as;

- (a) a situation where for the betterment of employment opportunity one loses a fixed employment.
- (b) losing employment opportunities for the sake of getting the appropriate employment suited to one's capability.
- (c) a situation when unemployment benefits discourage the unemployed to go to work.
- (d) unavailability of any kind of employment which leads to natural unemployment.

51. Arrange the following events into the chronological order:

1. August Offer
2. Civil Disobedience movement
3. Formation of All India Kisan Sabha
4. Cripps Mission

Select the correct option from the code given below:

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

52. Consider the following Statements regarding Anglo-Maratha struggle:

1. Under the Treaty of Surat 1775 the territories of Salsette and Bassein were given to the English.
2. Treaty of Salbai was signed in 1782 between Warren Hastings and Marathas.
3. Under the Treaty of Bassein in 1802,

Peshwa surrendered Surat to British.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

53. Consider the following statements regarding Indian National Congress:

1. Resolution demanding the abolition of the Indian Council of the Secretary of State for India was one of the first few resolutions adopted by INC after coming into existence.
2. The credit for organizing the first meeting of the Indian National Congress goes to Ripon who firmly believed on providing a legitimate outlet to grievances of educated Indian class.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

54. Consider the following statements about Gandhi-Irwin pact:

1. Rising popularity of Salt Satyagraha was one of the reasons behind holding of talks between Mahatma Gandhi and Irwin
2. Under the pact, Indians were allowed to produce, trade and sell salt legally.
3. Congress agreed to attend third RTC to chalk out constitutional reforms.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

55. The British Government decided to send a high-powered commission of three members in February 1946 to India. Who among the following was/were the members of this commission?

1. Clement Attlee
2. Stafford Cripps
3. A.V. Alexander
4. Leo Amery

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

56. Consider the following statements regarding the dual system of government in Bengal:

1. It was beneficial for the administration of Bengal as it reduced the authority of Nawab.

2. It was discontinued by Lord Cornwallis.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

57. Which of the following statements is/are correct about First Carnatic war?

1. Anglo-French rivalry in Europe led to First Carnatic War in India

2. As a result of this war, British lost Madras to France but was later given back to them by France

Select the correct answer from the code given below:

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

58. Consider the following statements about Mahatma Phule?

1. He was bestowed with title of Mahatma by Maharashtrian social activist Vithalrao Krishnaji Vandekar

2. Served as the commissioner to the Nasik municipality

3. He was the author of the book Gulamgiri

Which of the above statements is/ are correct?

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

59. Which of the following is/are the sources for the study of Harshavardhana's Reign?

1. Harshacharita written by Bana
2. Travel accounts left by Hiuen Tsang
3. Banskhera plate inscription

4. Prayag Prashasti

Select the correct answer using codes below:

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

60. Consider following statements with respect to Peasant movements in India:

1. Tebhaga Movement was started against the European planters who forced peasants to grow indigo on 3/20 of total land.
2. Telangana Movement was started against exploitation of deshmukhs and doras.
3. Champaran satyagraha started against the higher taxes levied by the British due to crop failure.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

61. Consider the following statements regarding the Indus Valley Civilization:

1. There is no concrete evidence for the use of silver in this civilization.
2. Presence of metallic money encouraged large scale trade.
3. The knowledge of burnt bricks was obtained from the Egyptian civilization.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

62. Consider the following statements about Rig Vedic society:

1. The Rig Vedic society was predominantly a tribal society.
2. Land did not form a well established type of private property among the people in the society.
3. Women slaves were presented as gifts to the priests
4. Aryans were actively hostile towards the 'Dasas' who were the indigenous

inhabitants.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

63. In contexts of the various sects under Buddhism, consider the following statements:

1. Pali was the dominant language of Mahayana Buddhism.
2. Sthaviravada is a sub sect under Hinayana Buddhism.
3. Lotus Sutra is an important text associated with Theravada Buddhism.
4. Kosala and Magadha are the only two kingdoms visited by Gautam Buddha.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

64. How did the Shaka-Kushana Phase and the contacts with Central Asia impact the then Indian culture and polity?

1. Introduced the Satrap system of Government
2. Responsible for the advent of Mahayana Buddhism
3. Contributed heavily to development of Medicine and Chemistry
4. Patronized and contributed to development of Sanskrit Literature in India

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

65. Consider the following statements with respect to the Sangam Era:

1. Commodities from the Tamil Kingdoms were in high demand in foreign markets.
2. Vanigars were agriculturists whereas the vellalas carried on trade and commerce.
3. Valangai and Idangai were types of traders

in the Chola rule.

Which of the statements given above are/is correct?

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

66. Consider the following statements about the Satavahanas:

1. They continued the administrative pattern of the Mauryas.
2. They were the first rulers to make tax free land grants for religious merit.
3. Kalyani was an important port on the west coast during this period.

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

67. With respect to the administration of the Chalukyas, consider the following statements :

1. Central government under the Chalukyas maintained a paternalistic control over the village administration without any autonomy to village administration.
2. The Chalukyas had a small standing army with great maritime power.

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

68. Consider the following statements:

1. The Battle of Waihind was fought between the Anandapala and Mahmud Ghori in Kannauj.
2. Mathura, Kannauj, Gujarat, Thaneshwar were raided by Mahmud of Ghazni.
3. The decline of the Hindu Shahi kingdom occurred due to the invasion of Mahmud of Ghazni.

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

69. He encouraged the pursuit of astronomy and built an observatory near Daulatabad. He paid much attention to the principal ports of his Kingdom. Moreover he wanted to make Deccan the Cultural centre of India and he was well acquainted with natural science such as botany, geometry.

Who is being referred to in the above passage?

- (a) Hasan Gangu
- (b) Alam Shah
- (c) Firuz Shah
- (d) Mahmud Gawan

70. Which of the following statements about administration and justice in Vijayanagara Kingdom is correct?

1. Village self Government was a prominent feature of Vijayanagara rule.
2. Harsh punishments were inflicted as Dharmasastras formed the basis of justice in the Kingdom.
3. The king was the highest court of appeal.

Select the correct answer from the code given below:

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

71. Consider the following statements:

1. Ashtadiggajas were associated with the Tuluva dynasty while the Ashtapradhan were related to the Marathas.
2. The Battle of Talikota was fought between Krishnadeva Raya and the combined army of Bijapur, Ahmadnagar, Golconda, and Bidar.

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

72. With reference to Mansabdari system and Jagirdari system of Land Revenue

Administration during Mughal period, Consider the following statements:

1. The rank in Mansabdari system wasn't hereditary but princes of royal blood received higher ranks
2. All appointments, promotion as well as dismissals were directly made by the Mughal Emperor
3. In Jagirdari system, out of various types of Jagirs, Watan Jagirs were hereditary but nontransferable

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

73. Consider the following statements:

1. Akbar built the Panch Mahal (Fatehpura Sikri) which was built according to Hindu design based on Man Mandir
2. Akbar built the Buland darwaza to commemorate the victory over Bengal
3. Despite the subjugation of Rajasthan, there was no hostilities between Rajputs and Mughals

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

74. With reference to Administration of Sher Shah Suri, Consider the following statements:

1. Government was highly centralised and consisted of several departments.
2. He classified land and Land revenue was assessed every year.
3. Under Sher Shah Suri, the share of state was one third of the average produce which was to be paid in Silver Rupaiya.

Which of the Statements given above is/are correct?

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

75. Consider the following statements:

1. He was a Tamil Vaishnavite Saint who taught in a great temple of Srirangam.
2. He was the propounder of 'Visistadvaita' or qualified monism.
3. He wrote commentaries on the Brahma Sutras and Bhagavad Gita and a book called Vedanta Sangraha.

The above statements are related to which one of the following Bhakti Saints?

- (a) Madhavacharya.
- (b) Ramanujachrya.
- (c) Vallabhacharya.
- (d) Ramananda.

76. Consider the following statements regarding the Sufi movement:

1. Sufis were the fakirs who strived to attain the ikhlas.
2. They strictly followed the concept of pir-murshid, which was the Guru-Shishya tradition
3. They were one of the recipients of Inam.
4. The common feature among all Sufi was the acceptance of Sharia.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

77. With reference to British Administrative Policy, Consider the following statements:

1. In Policy of Ring Fence, native States were assured of military assistance by British against the external threats
2. In Policy of Subsidiary Alliance, Native States were assured of Protection by British against both external and internal threats
3. In both policy of Ring fence and Subsidiary Alliance, Native States had to maintain the given army at their own expense.

Which of the following statements is/are correct?

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

78. Arrange the following events in ascending order sequence.

1. Bombay was given as a dowry to Prince Charles II of England by the Portugese.
2. Aurangzeb issued a royal farman to the British to trade in Bengal.
3. Headquarters of English East India Company shifted from Surat to Bombay.
4. Dastaks issued by Governor of Bengal to the English East India Company.
5. Farukh Siyaar gave trade concessions to the British.

Select the answer from the codes given below:

- (a) 2 > 3 > 1 > 4 > 5
- (b) 2 > 5 > 4 > 1 > 3
- (c) 2 > 3 > 4 > 5
- (d) 2 > 4 > 5 > 3

79. Match the following pairs:

List-I (Battles) List -II (Fought Between)

1. Battle of Chaul (1508) A - English and French.
2. Battle of Colachel (1741) B - Dutch and English
3. Battle of Biddera (1759) C - Ruler of Travancore and Dutch East India company.
4. Battle of Wandiwash (1760) D - Alliance of Turks, Arabs and Gujarati sultans with Portugese.
5. 1st Anglo-Mysore war (1769) E - Haider Ali and English.

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

- (a) 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-D, 5-E.
- (b) 1-D, 2-C, 3-B, 4-A, 5-E
- (c) 1-C, 2-D, 3-E, 4-A, 5-B.
- (d) 1-B, 2-A, 3-E, 4-D, 5-C.

80. Consider the Following Events:

1. The British Parliament gets its first Member from India
2. The maximum age for taking the Indian Civil Service examination is lowered from 21 years to 19 years.
3. C.P. Illbert, the Law Member of the Govt. of India, introduces a bill to grant enhanced

jurisdiction to native officials of the administrative service.

4. The British raised the minimum age for marriage of girls from ten to twelve years by passing a bill to that effect.

Which of the following is the correct chronological sequence of the above events ?

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

81. He was a member of the Bombay legislative council and judge of the Bombay High Court, Maharashtra. He was given the title of Rao Bahadur by the British Govt. for his acts of public welfare. He is

- (a) Gopal Krishna Gokhale
- (b) Mahadev Ranade
- (c) Dadabhai Naoroji
- (d) Jyothiba Phule

82. With reference to the Jallianwala Bagh tragedy, consider the following statements:

1. While Rabindranath Tagore gave up his knighthood, Mahatma Gandhi and Sarojini Naidu gave up their respective kaiser-i-hind medals.
2. Despite unanimously condemning the incident, the Disorders Inquiry Committee under Lord William Hunter gave a clean chit to General Dyer.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct ?

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

83. In the context of Indian freedom struggle, Consider the following:

1. Separate electorates for Muslims only
2. Separation of the executive from the judiciary
3. Formal elections for all members of the Viceroy's Executive Council
4. More powers and autonomy to Provincial Councils Which of the above demands were jointly put forward by the Indian National Congress and the Muslim league via the

Lucknow Pact of 1916 ?

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

84. The Official Secrets Act (OSA), seen recently in the news, traces its early roots to a critical period in the freedom struggle of India. This critical period eventually culminated in

- (a) Khilafat Agitations
- (b) Rise of Extremists
- (c) Civil Disobedience Movement
- (d) Revolt of 1857

85. Consider the following events:

1. The Ramosi Peasant Force was organized by Vasudev Balwant Phadke after the conviction of the Chapekar brothers.
2. Swadesh Sewak Home was established in Berlin after the failure of the Ghadr party.

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

86. In the context of the decline in the revolutionary, consider the following statements:

1. Gandhi's ideas of Mass Nationalism
2. Morley Minto reforms
3. Khilafat Issue
4. Release of Political prisoners
5. Singapore mutiny

Which of the above statements were responsible for the decline in the revolutionary terrorism before the end of the World War I?

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

87. In the context of the Modern History of India, Which of the following were direct or indirect outcomes of the First World War?

1. Phenomenal Increase in defence expenditure
2. Decrease in indirect taxation on Trade and

industry

3. High food Inflation
4. Increase in number of workers in industries
5. High Profits for Indian Businessmen in the textile industry
6. Phenomenal increase in wages of working class

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

88. Consider the following statements regarding the non-cooperation movement:

1. The Congress extended its reach to the Mohalla level.
2. It involved mass resignation of the government servants from the service.
3. It aroused secular consciousness among the Muslims.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

89. Consider the following statements:

1. C. R. Das and Motilal Nehru did not support the Non Cooperation Movement for the sake of upcoming elections in 1923.
2. Jawaharlal Nehru stayed away from the Non Cooperation Movement as he supported the idea of complete independence.

Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?

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

90. Consider the following statements:

1. The Self-respect movement and the Mahar satyagraha were caste-based movements.
2. These movements were the direct offshoot of the Non-Cooperation movement.

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

91. Consider the following statements:

- 1. The Congress session headed by M.A. Ansari was aimed at the boycott of the Simon Commission.
- 2. Simon Commission was appointed during the tenure of Lord Reading.
- 3. The Muslim League was united in their boycott of the Simon Commission.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

92. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Separation of Sindh from Bombay.
- 2. Universal Franchise
- 3. Extension of separate electorates
- 4. Responsible government at the centre and the provinces.

Which of the above is/are the important recommendations of the Simon Commission?

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

93. Consider the following pairs:

Committee	Related to
1. Muddiman Committee	Separate Electorates
2. Linlithgow Committee	Indian Agriculture
3. Pirpur Committee	Congress Ministries
4. Aitchison Committee	Oriental Education

Which of the above pairs is/are correctly matched?

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

94. Consider the following statements-

- 1. The participation of the Dalits was limited

in the Civil Disobedience Movement.

- 2. Reduction in the rupee-sterling exchange ratio was one of the demands made to the government before the launch of the civil disobedience Movement.
- 3. The Civil Disobedience Movement was a great precursor to the Non Cooperation Movement.

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) All of the above

95. Which of the following were the main purpose of the Cabinet Mission ?

- 1. Preparatory discussions with elected representatives to secure agreement on framing a constitution.
- 2. Setting up of constituent assembly.
- 3. Setting up of Viceroy's Executive council with support of the main Indian parties.

Select the correct answer from the codes given below.

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

96. With reference to Mauryan Architecture, consider the following statements:

- 1. The shafts of the Ashokan Pillars were monolithic in nature and were primarily made of Chunar Sandstone.
- 2. Unlike the Ashokan pillars, the Persian columns of Achaemenid Persia were individual free-standing monuments.
- 3. The Pillars were widely used to propagate Dhamma.

Which of the above statements is/are correct ?

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

97. "These Jain temples are one of the most famous celebrated works of the Māru Gurjara Architecture. They are famous for their use of a very pure white marble and intricate marble carvings. There are various temples dedicated to Lord Rishabha and Lord Parshvanath"

Which of the following temple complexes has been described above?

- (a) Palitana Temples
- (b) Dilwara Temples
- (c) Shikharji Temple
- (d) Pandrethan Temples

98. "It is the oldest among all classical dance forms. Its origin can be traced back to the solo dance performances of the temple dancers or 'devadasis' in the southern region of the country. In this dance form, equal emphasis is given on both the Tandava and Lasya aspects of dance, with major emphasis on 'mudras. 'Alarippu', 'Jatiswaram', 'Shabdham' are some of the major elements of this dance."

Which one of the following Indian classical dances has been described in the above paragraph?

- (a) Kuchipudi Dance
- (b) Bharatnatyam Dance
- (c) Mohiniattam
- (d) Kathak

99. With reference to cultural history of India, consider the following statements:

- 1. Purandara Dasa is widely referred to as "Pitamaha or father/grandfather of Carnatic Music"
- 2. Purandara Dasa was a contemporary of Annamacharya, who is also known as the first composer of Carnatic music.
- 3. Purandar Dasa composed sankeertanas in praise of Lord Venkateswara.
- 4. Annamacharya composed the famous composition Dasa Sahithya.

Select the correct answer by using the codes given below:

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

100. Consider the following statements:

- 1. Vallam Kali and Onakanikal is a prominent feature observed in Onam.
- 2. Sair-e-Gul Faroshan is a festival associated with the Yogmaya Temple of Delhi.

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