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HCS Preliminary Exam 2024: General Studies Paper I

1. Consider the following statements regarding Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) Report:

- **Statement-I:** Current Weekly Status (CWS) in urban areas is measured at the interval of three months.
- **Statement-II:** Present Labour Force participation rate (LFPR) and Unemployment rate is in declining trend when compared with its base year 2017-18. Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

(A) Statement I is correct only (B) Statement II is correct only (C) Both Statement I and II are correct (D) Neither Statement I nor II is correct (E) Question not attempted

2. Consider the following statements regarding recently released Reserve Bank of India regarding Treatment of Wilful Defaulters and Large Defaulters Directions, 2023:

1. The directions are applicable to all regulated entities including NABARD, SIDBI and EXIM Bank.
2. A wilful default borrower needs to be reviewed and finalised within six months of an account being classified as a non-performing asset (NPA).
3. Lender cannot proceed against guarantor without exhausting the remedies against principal debtor. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 only (B) 1 and 2 only (C) All 1, 2 and 3 (D) 2 and 3 only (E) Question not attempted

3. Consider the following statements regarding the Scheme for Remission of Duties and Taxes on Exported Products (RODTEP):

1. It provides a mechanism for exemption of taxes, duties, and levies on exported goods.
2. The scheme is WTO-compatible and is being implemented in an end-to-end IT environment. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 only (B) 2 only (C) Both 1 and 2 (D) None (E) Question not attempted



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4. Consider the following statements regarding Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) Framework:

1. Currently PCA supervisory norms are applicable to both Government and non-Government NBFC's.
2. Discretionary actions under PCA include Restriction on Branch Expansion. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 only (B) 2 only (C) Both 1 and 2 (D) None (E) Question not attempted

5. Consider the following statements regarding the Fugitive Economic Offenders Act:

1. A Fugitive Economic Offender (FEO) is a person who has fled the country and against whom an arrest warrant has been issued for involvement in economic offenses involving at least Rs. 100 crores.
2. Under the Act, authorities are empowered to confiscate assets even when no conviction has been obtained.
3. Financial Intelligence Unit is the nodal agency to implement the Act. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 and 2 only (B) 2 and 3 only (C) 1 and 3 only (D) All 1, 2 and 3 (E) Question not attempted

6. Consider the following statements regarding the Global Survey on Digital and Sustainable Trade Facilitation:

1. It was released by the World Trade Organisation.
2. The overall score of India has been greater than many developed countries.
3. It is a bi-annual survey that deals with trade facilitation measures taken collectively by the WTO member countries. How many of the statement given above are correct:

(A) 1 only (B) 2 only (C) All 1, 2 and 3 (D) None (E) Question not attempted

7. Consider the following statements regarding the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund (CDMDF):

1. It will be established as an Alternative Investment Fund.
2. Contribution to the fund shall be mandatory for specified debt-oriented Mutual Fund Schemes and Asset Management Companies.
3. Initially, it will be established for 5 years and can be extended as per SEBI's mandate. How many of the statements given above are correct?



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(A) 1 only (B) 2 only (C) All 1, 2 and 3 (D) None (E) Question not attempted

8. Consider the following statements regarding the Foreign Portfolio Investment (FPI) in India:

1. It has fluctuated drastically in the past decade.
2. In 2022-23, the net FPI in India was less than 1% of the GDP.
3. Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999 is the primary legislation governing FPI in India. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only 1 (B) Only 2 (C) All Three (D) None (E) Question not attempted

9. Consider the following statements in reference to the fertilizers sector in India:

1. Sulphur-coated Urea, also commonly called Neam-coated Urea will help in addressing the sulphur deficiency of the soil.
2. Fertilizer Flying Squads (FFS) was constituted to provide crop-wise recommendations of fertilizers for individual farms. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 only (B) 2 only (C) Both 1 and 2 only (D) None (E) Question not attempted

10. Consider the following statements:

1. International Financial Corporation is an organ of World Bank to finance private sector in developing countries.
2. ICIMOD - International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development is an inter-government knowledge and learning centre situated in Switzerland.
3. All India Rural Financial Inclusion Survey is conducted by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) every five years. Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

(A) 1 and 2 only (B) 2 and 3 only (C) 1 only (D) All of the above (E) Question not attempted

11. Match the following List-I with List-II:

- **LIST-I:** 1. Absolute Advantage; 2. Theory of Big Push; 3. Theory of low level Equilibrium trap; 4. Balanced Growth Theory



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- **LIST-II:** a. Paul Rosenstein Rodan; b. Adam Smith; c. Richard R. Nelson; d. Ragner Nurkse Choose the correct option:

(A) 1-a, 2-b, 3-c, 4-d (B) 1-b, 2-a, 3-d, 4-c (C) 1-b, 2-a, 3-c, 4-d (D) 1-d, 2-a, 3-c, 4-b (E) Question not attempted

12. Consider the following statements:

1. Gini Index is a graphical representation of the distribution of income or of wealth.
2. Higher the Gini Index, the greater the degree of income equality.
3. The value of Gini Index has increased amongst regular workers while it decreased among casual workers in India as per India Wage Report. Which of the statement(s) given above is/are correct?

(A) 1 and 2 (B) 2 and 3 (C) 3 only (D) All 1, 2 and 3 (E) Question not attempted

13. Which of the following features are associated with Regur Soils in India?

1. It develops on crystalline igneous rocks as a result of intense leaching.
2. It is rich in Iron, Potash and Phosphoric contents.
3. It is typically found in north-west region of Deccan plateau and made up of lava flows.
4. It is rich in calcium carbonate, magnesium, potash and lime. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 and 2 only (B) 2 and 3 only (C) 3 and 4 only (D) 1, 2 and 4 only (E) Question not attempted

14. Which of the following characteristics is associated with red and yellow soils in India?

1. It develops on crystalline igneous rocks in area of heavy rainfall.
2. It develops a reddish colour due to diffusion of iron in crystalline and metamorphic rocks.
3. It develops yellow colour in hydrated forms.
4. It develops red and yellow colour due to iron and Sulphur in dry conditions. How many of the statements given above are correct:

(A) 1 and 2 only (B) 2 and 3 only (C) 3 and 4 only (D) 1, 2 and 4 only (E) Question not attempted



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15. Consider the following statement: There is renewed thrust on production of Millet Crops. Which of the following statement(s) is/are attributable to Ragi Crop?

1. Ragi is rain-fed crop and mostly grows well in black soil.
2. Ragi grows well on red, black, sandy, loamy and shallow black soil.
3. It is crop of dry regions and rich in iron, calcium and roughage.
4. Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Arunachal Pradesh are major ragi producing states. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 and 3 only (B) 2 and 3 only (C) 2, 3 and 4 only (D) 1, 3 and 4 only (E) Question not attempted

16. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Endangered Species; b. Vulnerable Species; c. Rare Species; d. Extinct Species
- **List II:** i. Desert sheep and hornbill; ii. Blue Sheep; iii. Lion Tailed Macaque; iv. Pink headed duck Choose the correct answer:

(A) a-iii, b-i, c-iv, d-ii (B) a-iii, b-ii, c-i, d-iv (C) a-ii, b-i, c-iv, d-iii (D) a-iv, b-iii, c-i, d-ii (E) Question not attempted

17. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Iron ore Mines; b. Copper Mines; c. Bauxite Mines; d. Mica Mines
- **List II:** i. Balaghat; ii. Amarkantak Plateau; iii. Gua and Noamundi; iv. Nellore Choose the correct answer:

(A) a-iii, b-ii, c-i, d-iv (B) a-ii, b-i, c-iii, d-iv (C) a-iii, b-i, c-ii, d-iv (D) a-i, b-iii, c-iv, d-ii (E) Question not attempted

18. Consider the following statements:

1. Copper, Lead, Tin and Bauxite are non-ferrous minerals.
2. Manganese, Iron, Cobalt and Mica are ferrous minerals.
3. Potash, Marble and Granite are non-metallic minerals.
4. Nickel, Cobalt and Platinum are precious metals. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 and 3 only (B) 1 and 4 only (C) 2 and 3 only (D) 2, 3 and 4 only (E) Question not attempted



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19. Consider the following statements:

1. Kandla port also known as Sardar Patel Port is a tidal port.
2. Marmagao port is for the premier Iron ore export.
3. Chennai is one of the oldest artificial ports of the country.
4. Paradwip port specializes in the export of Mica in the country. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 and 3 only (B) 2 and 3 only (C) 3 and 4 only (D) 2, 3 and 4 only (E)

Question not attempted

20. Consider the following statements relating to our Solar System:

1. Saptarishi forms part of the constellation Ursa Major.
2. Saptarishi forms part of constellation Big Bear.
3. Asteroids Belt lies between orbits of Mars and Earth.
4. The largest asteroid is Ceres. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 and 2 only (B) 2 and 3 only (C) 3 and 4 only (D) 1, 2 and 4 only (E)

Question not attempted

21. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Shipki La; b. Lipu Lekh; c. Jelep La; d. Burzil
 - **List II:** i. Kashmir; ii. Himachal Pradesh; iii. Uttarakhand; iv. Sikkim
- Choose the correct answer:

(A) a-iii, b-ii, c-iv, d-i (B) a-ii, b-iii, c-iv, d-i (C) a-iii, b-ii, c-i, d-iv (D) a-iii, b-i, c-ii, d-iv (E) Question not attempted

22. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Copper and Nickel; b. Chromite and platinum; c. Phosphate; d. Limestone
 - **List II:** i. South-Africa; ii. Ontario; iii. Caucasus; iv. Algeria
- Choose the correct answer:

(A) a-ii, b-i, c-iv, d-iii (B) a-i, b-ii, c-iii, d-iv (C) a-iii, b-iv, c-ii, d-i (D) a-iii, b-i, c-ii, d-iv (E) Question not attempted

23. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Veld; b. Pampas; c. Compos; d. Prairie



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- **List II:** i. Brazil; ii. South-Africa; iii. North-America; iv. South-America
Choose the correct answer:

(A) a-ii, b-i, c-iv, d-iii (B) a-iii, b-iv, c-i, d-ii (C) a-iv, b-ii, c-iii, d-i (D) a-ii, b-iv, c-i, d-iii (E) Question not attempted

24. Consider the following statements:

- **Statement-I:** The Jet Streams are the strong cores of upper-level westerly winds which follow a meandering path.
- **Statement-II:** The term 'jet stream' was first applied to high velocity upper-level winds during World War-II. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Statement-I and Statement-II both are correct. (B) Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect. (C) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct. (D) Statement-I and Statement-II both are incorrect. (E) Question not attempted

25. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Mountain Breeze; b. Chinook; c. Simoom; d. Sirocco
- **List II:** i. Sahara Desert; ii. Katabatic; iii. Snow Eater; iv. Asiatic and African Desert
Choose the correct answer:

(A) a-iii,b-ii,c-iv,d-i (B) a-ii,b-iii,c-iv,d-i (C) a-iii,b-i,c-ii,d-iv (D) a-iv,b-i,c-iii,d-ii (E) Question not attempted

26. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Angel Falls; b. Yosemite Falls; c. Niagra Falls; d. Victoria Falls
- **List II:** i. Venezuela; ii. California; iii. South Africa; iv. USA and Canada
Choose the correct answer:

(A) a-i, b-ii, c-iv, d-iii (B) a-ii, b-i, c-iii, d-iv (C) a-iii, b-iv, c-ii, d-i (D) a-iv, b-iii, c-i, d-ii (E) Question not attempted

27. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Bird Foot Delta; b. Estuarine Delta; c. Triple Delta; d. Arcuate Delta
- **List II:** i. Mackenzie; ii. Mississippi; iii. Mahanadi delta; iv. Nile Delta
Choose the correct answer:

(A) a-i, b-ii, c-iv, d-iii (B) a-ii, b-i, c-iii, d-iv (C) a-iii, b-iv, c-i, d-ii (D) a-iv, b-iii, c-ii, d-i (E) Question not attempted



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28. Consider the following statements:

- **Statement I:** The ancient Buddha (Bauddh) Stupa is situated on the west side of Brahasarovar.
- **Statement II:** The mound is spread over an area of approx. three acres. The height of the mound is about 4 m from the surrounding ground level. Choose the correct answer:

(A) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I. (B) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct but Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I. (C) Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect. (D) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct. (E) Question not attempted

29. Consider the following pairs:

1. Aram-i-Kausar: Narnaul
2. Tomb of Sheikh Tayyab: Kaithal
3. Bhai ki Baoli: Meham (Rohtak) How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

30. Consider the following statements about Bhumia or Khera: I. It is the god of the homestead or the village. II. Bhumia is worshipped at the time of marriage. III. First milk of cow or buffalo is always offered to Bhumia. How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E) Question not attempted

31. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Milking animal; b. Outer house; c. Neck; d. Pitcher
- **List II:** i. Laggar; ii. Nohra; iii. Ghethi; iv. Basan Select the correct option:

(A) a-i, b-ii, c-iii, d-iv (B) a-iii, b-i, c-iv, d-ii (C) a-iv, b-i, c-iii, d-ii (D) a-ii, b-iii, c-iv, d-i (E) Question not attempted

32. Consider the following statements:

1. The finest and the best preserved Baoli in Haryana is in Meham.



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2. The coin moulds of the later Youdheyas of the third-fourth centuries A.D. have been found in large numbers from Rohtak.
3. An image of Kartikeya sitting in lalitasana on a peacock has been discovered from Khokrakot. How many of the statements given above is/are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E)

Question not attempted

33. Arrange the following intangible cultural heritages in order of their year of induction into the UNESCO heritage list (Oldest to Newest):

1. Kalbelia; 2. Buddhist Chanting; 3. Ramlila; 4. Kumbh Mela; 5. Nowrouz
- Choose the correct option:

(A) 3, 1, 2, 5, 4 (B) 1, 3, 2, 5, 4 (C) 3, 4, 5, 2, 1 (D) 2, 1, 3, 4, 5 (E) Question not attempted

34. Consider the following statements:

- **Statement I:** A raga is associated with a specific mood, time of the day and season. For every raga there are six female consorts called raginis.
- **Statement II:** Ragamala paintings are pictorial interpretations of ragas and raginis. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct. (B) Both Statement I and Statement II are incorrect. (C) Statement I is correct but Statement II is incorrect. (D) Statement I is incorrect but Statement II is correct. (E) Question not attempted

35. Consider the following statements:

1. Aditya-L1, a space observatory with 9 payloads designed to study the Sun.
2. The VELC will take image the Sun's atmosphere, the Corona at high resolution and time cadence.
3. Aditya-L1 carries an ultraviolet imager, 3 X-ray spectrometer and four in-situ instruments to measure plasma parameters. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E)

Question not attempted



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36. Consider the following pairs:

1. CREST: Hosakote; 2. Solar Observatory: Kodaikanal; 3. Radio Observatory: Gauribidanur How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

37. Consider the following pairs:

1. Intelligent Waterbody Management Project: Tamara
2. AMRUT 2.0: Preserving surface and ground water bodies
3. PLASHBOT: Diffuser Aerators for bottom of water bodies How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

38. Consider the following pairs:

1. Advika: Chickpea
2. Panchamrit: India's Climate Action Plan
3. Mission Life: Life Style in harmony with ecological well-being How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

39. Consider the following pairs:

1. BHARAT: Agri Infra Fund; 2. Longpi pottery: Chhattisgarh; 3. Sular Bamboo Wind Flute: Manipur How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

40. Consider the following statements relating to free coaching scheme under the umbrella scheme 'SHREYAS':

1. It provides coaching of good quality for economically disadvantaged SCs, OBCs and Minorities.
2. The ceiling of total family income under the scheme is Rs 8 Lakhs per annum.



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3. The ratio of SC and OBC students is 70: 30 and 30 percent seats are reserved for females in each category.
4. The ratio of SCs, OBCs and minority students have been fixed at 50: 30: 20. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1, 2 and 3 only (B) 1, 2 and 4 only (C) 2 and 3 only (D) 2 and 4 only (E) Question not attempted

41. Consider the following Statements relating to Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojna (PMJDY). It is intended to -

1. Provide access to financial and social services at an affordable cost.
2. Opening of basic saving bank deposit account in camp mode with minimum balance of Rs. 500 and zero charges.
3. Use of technology to lower cost and wider reach.
4. Issuance of Indigenous Debit Card. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 and 3 only (B) 1 and 4 only (C) 2 and 4 only (D) 1, 2, 3 and 4 (E) Question not attempted

42. Considered the following statements:

1. Samudra Gupta's 'Vyagrashaili' postures reveal his conquest of the West.
2. The coins of the Ashoka era give us information about his 'governance system'.
3. On one of the seals of Satavahana King Shatakarni, a picture of a 'ship' is engraved, which is a symbol of his victory over the sea.
4. Information about Ashvamedha Yagya is found in the coins of Kumargupta's 'Ashvamedha style'. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 and 2 only (B) 2 and 3 only (C) 3 and 4 only (D) 1, 2 and 4 only (E) Question not attempted

43. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Abul Hasan al Hujwiri; b. Kuli Khan; c. Jahanara; d. Ameer Hassan Sijji Dehlavi
- **List II:** i. Munis Al Akhaah; ii. Fawaid Al Fuad; iii. kashf ul Mahjub; iv. Murakka-E-Delhi Choose the correct answer:

(A) a-ii, b-iii, c-iv, d-i (B) a-iv, b-i, c-iii, d-ii (C) a-ii, b-iii, c-i, d-iv (D) a-iii, b-iv, c-i, d-ii (E) Question not attempted



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44. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Dimun; b. Makan; c. Meluha; d. Ur
- **List II:** i. Sindh Area; ii. Mesopotamian Port; iii. Bahrain Island; iv. Makran Coast (Balochistan) Choose the correct answer:

(A) a-ii, b-iii, c-iv, d-i (B) a-iv, b-i, c-iii, d-ii (C) a-ii, b-iii, c-i, d-iv (D) a-iii, b-iv, c-i, d-ii (E) Question not attempted

45. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Nishad; b. Charmakar; c. Mchhuaaro; d. Pukkus or Paulkus
- **List II:** i. Karawar; ii. Mehtar; iii. Kaiwart; iv. Aakhetak Choose the correct answer:

(A) a-ii, b-iii, c-iv, d-i (B) a-iv, b-i, c-iii, d-ii (C) a-ii, b-iii, c-i, d-iv (D) a-i, b-iv, c-iii, d-ii (E) Question not attempted

46. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Jogalthambi; b. Devbarnak; c. Devarashtra; d. Pattadakal
- **List II:** i. Nashik (Maharashtra); ii. Bijapur (Karnataka); iii. Vishakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh); iv. Shahabad (Bihar) Choose the correct answer

(A) a-ii, b-iii, c-iv, d-i (B) a-iv, b-i, c-iii, d-ii (C) a-ii, b-iii, c-i, d-iv (D) a-i, b-iv, c-iii, d-ii (E) Question not attempted

47. Given below are two statements:

- **Statement I:** The Virupaksha temple was built in the sixteenth century.
- **Statement II:** The pavilion in front of the Virupaksha temple was built during the time of Krishnadev Rai. Choose the correct answer:

(A) Both Statement I and Statement II are true. (B) Both Statement I and Statement II are false. (C) Statement I is correct but Statement II is false. (D) Statement I is incorrect but Statement II is true. (E) Question not attempted

48. Given below are two statements:

- **Statement I:** Bhakti saint Shankardev addressed 'Vaishnav Dharma' as 'Bhagwati Dharma'.
- **Statement II:** Shankardev's main composition is Kirtanaghosh. Choose the correct answer:



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(A) Both Statement I and Statement II are true. (B) Both Statement I and Statement II are false. (C) Statement I is correct but Statement II is false. (D) Statement I is incorrect but Statement II is true. (E) Question not attempted

49. Consider the following statements:

1. The Puranas call the Satvahanas 'Andhrabhritya' and 'Andhrajatya'.
2. The history of Satvahanas is especially found in Vishnu and Bhagwat Purana.
3. Names of more than a hundred kings of Satvahanas are found in the Puranas. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E) Question not attempted

50. Consider the following statements:

1. Kabir Granthawali is related to Dadupanthies of Rajasthan.
2. Meera's teacher Raidas was a weaver.
3. Malik Mohammad Jayasi promoted the establishment of prayer halls like Namghar. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E) Question not attempted

51. Consider the following statements:

1. The selection of the Vijayanagara site was inspired by the existence of the Virupaksha temple.
2. Vijayanagara was established near the Pampadevi temple.
3. 'Shri Pampay Namah' inscription has been found on the Vijaynagara coins. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E) Question not attempted

52. Consider the following pairs:

1. Pratihara King Bhoj: Gwalior Inscription
2. Satavahana King Pulumavi: Nasik Inscription
3. Hun King Toramana: Eran Varaha Inscription How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E)
Question not attempted

53. Consider the following pairs:

1. Mulfuzat: Conversations of Sufi Saints
2. Maktubat: Compilation of written letters
3. Tazkiras: Recollection of biographies of Sufi saints How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E)
Question not attempted

54. Consider the following pairs:

1. Dar-ul-Adal: Place of Justice
2. Balahar: Low class agricultural labourer
3. Malikut-Tujjar: Chief of traders How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E)
Question not attempted

55. Consider the following pairs:

1. Leader of the revolution in 1857 in Ahirwal (Haryana): Rao Tularam
2. Leader of the revolution in 1857 in Faridabad (Haryana): Dhanu Singh
3. Leader of the revolution in Hansi (Haryana) in 1857: Imam Ali Qalandar
How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E)
Question not attempted

56. Consider the following statements:

1. In 1676, Shivaji crowned himself formally at Rajgarh.
2. The Karnataka expedition was the last major expedition of Shivaji.
3. In 1678, Shivaji campaigned against Karnakata and forced Qutb Shah to pay a subsidy of one lakh huns. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E)
Question not attempted



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57. Consider the following pairs:

1. Nuh Sipih: Amir Khusrau; 2. Riyazul Insha: Mahmud Gawan; 3. Burhan-i-Ma'asir: Rafiuddin Shirazi How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

58. Consider the following pairs:

1. Basawan: Akbar; 2. Mir Saiyid Ali: Humayun; 3. Daswant: Jahangir How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

59. Consider the following pairs:

1. Rani Durgawati: Gondwana; 2. Chand Bibi: Ahmadnagar; 3. Zuhra: Muhammad Shah How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

60. Consider the following pairs:

1. Amir-i-Dad: Law officer who carried out the decisions of the judges; 2. Turkan-i-Chahalgani: A group of forty; 3. Barid-i-mamalik: Head of the information and intelligence department How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

61. Consider the following pairs:

1. Sur Das: Sur Sagar; 2. Shankardeva: Kirtan Ghosh; 3. Sant Tukaram: Abhangas How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

62. Consider the following statements:



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1. Guru Gobind Singh, the 10th guru of the Sikhs composed his verses mainly in Hindi (Braj Bhasha).
 2. The play Niladarpan was written by Dinabandhu Mitra.
 3. Anand Math contained the famous nationalist song 'Vande Mataram.'
- How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E)

Question not attempted

63. Consider the following statements:

1. James Mill was highly critical of Indian religion and culture.
2. William Bentinck announced in 1835, that Persian was abolished as the court language and was substituted by English.
3. Wood's Despatch led to the establishment of university at Calcutta, Bombay and Delhi. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E)

Question not attempted

64. Consider the following statements:

1. The Indian National Army had fighting brigades in the name of Gandhi, Azad, and Subhash.
2. The slogans of the Indian National Army were 'Jai Hind' and 'Delhi Chalo.'
3. Rash Behari Bose was not associated with the Indian National Army. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E)

Question not attempted

65. Consider the following statements:

1. The election to the office of the President of India is held in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of single non-transferable vote.
2. The value of the vote of each Member of Parliament from Uttar Pradesh is greater than the value of the vote of the MP from Goa.
3. Electors cannot use the provision of NOTA in the election of President.



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4. The provisions of Anti-defection law are not applicable in Presidential election. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 and 2 only (B) 2 and 3 only (C) 3 and 4 only (D) 1, 2 and 4 only (E)

Question not attempted

66. Consider the following statements:

1. The writ, Mandamus can be issued against both Public Authorities and Private Individuals.
2. Mandamus can be issued to enforce a contractual obligation.
3. Mandamus cannot be issued against the Governor of a State.
4. Mandamus can be issued against a state to refund the tax collected unlawfully. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement (B) Two statements (C) Three statements (D) All four statements (E) Question not attempted

67. Consider the following statements:

1. In order to form a new state in the Indian Union, the Parliament can amend the provisions of the Constitution with a Simple Majority.
2. To amend the provisions of Directive Principles of State Policy, the Parliament requires a Special Majority.
3. To amend Article 368 of the Constitution, the Parliament requires Special Majority along with the consent of half of the state legislatures. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E)

Question not attempted

68. Consider the following pairs:

1. Establishment of standards of weight and measures: Union List; 2. Adoption and succession: State List; 3. Betting and gambling: Concurrent List How many of the following pairs are correct?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E)

Question not attempted

69. Consider the following statements:

1. Residuary subjects are the subjects that are not included in the three lists of the 7th schedule of the Constitution.



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2. According to Article 248, both the union Parliament and state legislatures can make laws on these subjects.
3. Space technology is an example of a residuary subject. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E) Question not attempted

70. Match List I with List II in reference to Constitution of India:

- **List I:** a. Article 263; b. Article 226; c. Article 239; d. Article 280
- **List II:** i. Finance Commission; ii. High Court; iii. Inter-state Council; iv. Union Territory Choose the correct answer:

(A) a: iii, b: ii, c: iv, d: i (B) a: i, b: ii, c: iii, d: iv (C) a: ii, b: i, c: iii, d: iv (D) a: iv, b: ii, c: iii, d: i (E) Question not attempted

71. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Second Schedule; b. Fifth Schedule; c. Ninth Schedule; d. Tenth Schedule
- **List II:** i. Administration of Scheduled Areas; ii. Comptroller & Auditor General; iii. Anti-defection laws; iv. Land Reform Laws Choose the correct answer:

(A) a: iii, b: i, c: iv, d: ii (B) a: i, b: ii, c: iii, d: iv (C) a: ii, b: i, c: iv, d: iii (D) a: iv, b: iii, c: ii, d: i (E) Question not attempted

72. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. Operation Ganga; b. Operation Cactus; c. Operation Maitri; d. Operation Kaveri
- **List II:** i. Ukraine Evacuation Mission; ii. Relief and rescue in Nepal; iii. Neutralizing attempted Coup in Maldives; iv. Sudan Evacuation Mission Choose the correct answer:

(A) a: i, b: ii c: iii, d: iv (B) a: i, b: iii, c: ii, d: iv (C) a: ii, b: i, c: iv, d: iii (D) a: iv, b: iii, c: ii, d: i (E) Question not attempted

73. Consider the following statements:

1. Public Interest Litigation is a legal action initiated in a court of law for the enforcement of public interest.
2. PIL has reinforced the principle of locus standi.



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3. Both citizens and organizations can file a PIL.
4. Supreme Court under Article 32 and High Courts under Article 226 of the Constitution of India can entertain PILs. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1 and 2 only (B) 2 and 3 only (C) 3 and 4 only (D) 1, 3 and 4 only (E)

Question not attempted

74. Consider the following statements:

1. Privy purse referred to a specific sum of money that was payable annually to rulers of former princely states that signed the Instrument of Accession.
2. The payment of privy purse was a constitutional obligation before 42nd Amendment.
3. The abolition of Privy Purse was justified on the ground that it stood against the principle of egalitarianism enshrined in the Constitution. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E)

Question not attempted

75. Consider the following statements:

1. Parliament can legislate on matters enumerated in the State List if two or more state legislatures pass resolutions requesting the Parliament to enact such laws.
2. A law so enacted will be equally applicable to all the states, irrespective of whether they passed such a resolution or not.
3. Such a law can be amended or repealed only by the Parliament. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E)

Question not attempted

76. Match List I with List II:

- **List I:** a. 26th Amendment; b. 52nd Amendment; c. 86th Amendment; d. 103rd Amendment
- **List II:** i. Reservation for EWS; ii. Education as fundamental right; iii. Abolition of Privy Purse; iv. Anti defection law Choose the correct answer:



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(A) a: iii, b: iv c: ii, d: i (B) a: i, b: iii, c: ii, d: iv (C) a: ii, b: i, c: iv, d: iii (D) a: iv, b: iii, c: ii, d: i (E) Question not attempted

77. Consider the following pairs:

1. Consolidated Fund of India: Payment from the fund can be made without Parliamentary appropriation.
2. Contingency Fund of India: Held by Finance Secretary on behalf of the President of India.
3. Public Account of India: Executive requires Parliamentary approval to withdraw money from this account. How many of the above pairs are correct?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

78. Consider the following pairs:

1. Equal Justice and Free Legal Aid: Article 36; 2. Promotion of Cooperative Societies: Article 43B; 3. Participation of Workers in Management of Industries: Article 43A How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

79. Consider the following pairs:

1. Right to adequate means of livelihood: Article 39(a); 2. Equal pay for equal work for both men and women: Article 39(e); 3. Right to work, education and public assistance: Article 41 How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

80. Consider the following pairs:

1. Educational and economic interests of weaker sections: Article 45; 2. Educational and economic interest of SCs & STs: Article 46; 3. Organization of agriculture and animal husbandry: Article 47 How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted



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81. Consider the following pairs:

1. The Vice-President of India: Article 62; 2. Election of Vice President: Article 65; 3. Terms of office of President: Article 59 How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

82. Consider the following pairs:

1. Enlargement of Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court: Article 138A; 2. Conferment on the Supreme Court of powers to issue certain writs: Article 139A; 3. Civil and judicial authority to act in aid of the Supreme Court: Article 144A How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

83. Consider the following pairs:

1. Dengue: Caused by mosquito and spreads through blood; 2. Typhoid: Caused by bacteria and spreads through water; 3. Ringworm: Caused by fungus and spreads through worms How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

84. Consider the following statements regarding diabetes:

1. It is caused by the oversecretion of insulin by pancreas.
 2. The glucose level increases in the blood.
 3. The patient urinates frequently, loses weight and becomes lethargic.
- How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E) Question not attempted

85. Consider the following statements:

- **Statement I:** The blood arteries have thick and rigid walls.

- **Statement II:** Arteries carry oxygen-rich blood from heart to various body organs under high pressure. Choose the correct answer:

(A) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I. (B) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct but Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I. (C) Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect. (D) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct. (E) Question not attempted

86. Consider the following statements:

- **Statement I:** Hydrogen is considered as a clean automobile fuel for future.
- **Statement II:** Hydrogen is the most abundant element in the universe. Choose the correct answer:

(A) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I. (B) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct but Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I. (C) Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect. (D) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct. (E) Question not attempted

87. Consider the following pairs:

1. Ginning: Separation of cotton fibres from seeds; 2. Weaving: Making yarn from fibres; 3. Polyester: Melts on catching fire and sticks to the body
- How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

88. Consider the following statements:

- **Statement I:** The effect of ant bite can be neutralised by rubbing calamine solution.
- **Statement II:** Calamine solution contains zinc carbonate which is basic in nature. Choose the correct answer:

(A) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I. (B) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct but Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I. (C) Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect. (D) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct. (E) Question not attempted

89. Consider the following pairs:



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1. Plane mirror: Image of the same size as the object; 2. Concave mirror: Rear view mirror in a vehicle; 3. Convex mirror: Dentist How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

90. Consider the following pairs:

1. Quick lime: Manufacture of Cement; 2. Slaked lime: Preparation of Soap; 3. Plaster of Paris: Making Toys How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair (B) Only two pairs (C) All three pairs (D) None of the pairs (E) Question not attempted

91. Take few drops of onion juice, dilute vanilla essence and clove oil in three different test tubes and consider the following statements:

1. The characteristic smell of onion vanishes upon addition of NaOH, however it persists with HCl.
2. The characteristic smell of vanilla is lost upon addition of HCl, however it persists with NaOH.
3. The characteristic smell of clove oil is lost upon addition of NaOH in it. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E) Question not attempted

92. Consider the following statements:

1. When pH of rain water lies in the range of 6 to 7, it is called acid rain.
2. Tooth enamel starts to corrode when pH of mouth is greater than 7.
3. Under acidic conditions farmers would treat the soil with quick lime. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement. (B) Only two statements. (C) All three statements. (D) None of the statements. (E) Question not attempted

93. Consider the following statements:

1. Alkali is a base that dissolve in water.
2. Ca(OH)_2 is not an example of alkali.



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3. Dissolution of a base in water is an exothermic process. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Only one statement is correct. (B) Only two statements are correct. (C) All three statements are correct. (D) None of the statements is correct. (E)

Question not attempted

94. Consider the following pairs:

1. Acid left by bee sting: HCl; 2. Atmosphere of Venus: H₂SO₄; 3. Antacid: Methanoic Acid How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

(A) Only one pair is correct. (B) Only two pairs are correct. (C) All three pairs are correct. (D) None of the pairs is correct. (E) Question not attempted

95. Consider the following statements: Touching a flame is an urgent and dangerous situation and we drag our hands involuntarily. This fast reaction is attributable to which structure?

1. Spinal Cord; 2. Motor Neuron; 3. Brain; 4. Sensory neuron How many of the statement given above are correct?

(A) 1, 2, 3 and 4 (B) 1 and 2 only (C) 1, 2 and 4 only (D) 2, 3 and 4 only (E)

Question not attempted

96. Which of the following functions is/are influenced by adrenalin?

1. Increase the heart beat; 2. More Oxygen supply to muscles; 3. Increased supply of blood to the digestive system; 4. Breathing rate declines How many of the statement given above are correct?

(A) 1, 2, 3 and 4 (B) 1 and 2 only (C) 1, 2 and 3 only (D) 1 only (E) Question not attempted

97. Anaerobic breakdown of glucose in cells results in formation of which of the following compounds?

1. Ethanol; 2. Lactic Acid; 3. Carbon dioxide; 4. ATP How many of the statement given above are correct?

(A) 1, 2, 3 and 4 (B) 1 and 2 only (C) 1, 2 and 3 only (D) 2 and 3 only (E)

Question not attempted

98. During Urine formation which of the following substances are selectively reabsorbed from the initial filtrate?



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1. Glucose; 2. Amino Acid; 3. Salts; 4. Water How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1, 2, 3 and 4 (B) 3 and 4 only (C) 1, 2 and 3 only (D) 4 only (E) Question not attempted

99. Which of the following plant hormones helps in promoting growth in plants?

1. Auxins; 2. Gibberellins; 3. Cytokinins; 4. Abscisic Acid How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) 1, 2, 3 and 4 (B) 1, 2 and 3 only (C) 1 and 2 only (D) 1 only (E) Question not attempted

100. Consider the following statements:

- **Statement-1:** The length of the small intestine differs in various animals depending on the food they eat.
- **Statement-2:** Herbivores needs a longer small intestine to allow the cellulose to be digested. How many of the statements given above are correct?

(A) Both Statements are correct. (B) Statement 1 is correct but Statement 2 is incorrect. (C) Statement 1 is incorrect but Statement 2 is correct. (D) Both statements are incorrect. (E) Question not attempted