

# General Studies

## Current Affair Test (January-2025)

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ध्यान दें : अनुदेशों का हिंदी रूपांतर इस पुस्तिका के अंतिम पृष्ठ पर छपा है ।

**Q1. What is the primary objective of the SpaDeX Mission?**

- (a) Deployment of communication satellites
- (b) Establishment of a geostationary orbit for surveillance
- (c) Demonstration of rendezvous, docking, and undocking of two spacecraft
- (d) Testing solar power generation in space

**Q2. Consider the following statements about UNESCO's National Inventory of Intangible Cultural Heritage:**

- 1. It aims to safeguard cultural expressions endangered by globalization.
- 2. It only includes practices that are actively supported by governments.
- 3. It requires alignment with principles of sustainable development.

**Which of the above statements are correct?**

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

**Q3. Consider the following statements about the Upper Siang Multipurpose Project:**

- 1. It aims to generate hydropower and mitigate floods.
- 2. It is located near the Dibang River in Assam.
- 3. It involves collaboration between National Hydroelectric Power Corporation (NHPC) and North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Limited (NEEPCO).
- 4. Its reservoir is designed to maintain river flow during lean seasons.

**Which of the above statements are correct?**

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

**Q4. The recently discovered Sanskrit inscription in Gilgit, Pakistan-Occupied Kashmir, is associated with which script?**

- (a) Sharada script
- (b) Grantha script
- (c) Kharosthi script
- (d) Brahmi script

**Q5. Consider the following statements regarding the features of About India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement.**

- 1. The agreement excludes trade in new areas such as turbojets and gold-studded diamonds.
- 2. The agreement provides preferential market access for key goods, including textiles, chemicals, and agriculture products.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q6. Consider the following statements regarding Metabolic Dysfunction-Associated Steatotic Liver Disease (MASLD):**

- 1. It is caused exclusively by high cholesterol levels.
- 2. Advanced MASLD may progress to hepatocellular carcinoma.
- 3. MASLD has no connection with cardiovascular diseases.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q7. Which strait connects the Crimea Peninsula to mainland Russia?**

- (a) Bosphorus Strait
- (b) Gibraltar Strait
- (c) Dardanelles Strait
- (d) Kerch Strait

**Q8. Consider the following statements:**

- 1. BBIN energy grid facilitates trade connectivity between India, Myanmar, and Bangladesh.
- 2. India supports e-governance projects in neighboring countries to boost trade facilitation.
- 3. The Kaladan Multimodal Project includes both waterways and roadways.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q9. Consider the following statements regarding Renewable Energy Certificates (REC).**

**Statement-I:** India's Renewable Energy Certificates (REC) mechanism allows industries to meet renewable energy compliance without directly sourcing renewable power.

**Statement-II:** REC mechanisms were introduced to promote renewable energy deployment and ensure market-driven compliance flexibility.

**Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?**

- (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 and 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

**Q10. Consider the following statements regarding India's association with UNESCO.**

- 1. India is a current member of UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) Committee.
- 2. The Ministry of External Affairs is responsible for preparing nomination dossiers for the UNESCO Representative List.
- 3. The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) is the nodal office for UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage matters.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q11. What was unique about the Belagavi Congress Session of 1924?**

- (a) It was the first Congress session to focus solely on political goals.
- (b) It was chaired by Subhas Chandra Bose.
- (c) It was the only session presided over by Mahatma Gandhi.
- (d) It introduced the resolution for Purna Swaraj.

**Q12. Consider the following statements regarding Matsya Seva Kendras.**

**Statement-I:** Matsya Seva Kendras were established to provide extension services to fish farmers.

**Statement-II:** They are equipped with laboratories for water, soil, and microbial analysis.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

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- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and 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

**Q13. What is the primary objective of contractionary monetary policy?**

- (a) To boost aggregate demand and economic growth
- (b) To control inflation and reduce economic overheating
- (c) To increase credit availability in the economy
- (d) To enhance employment opportunities

**Q14. Consider the following statements regarding the Sagar Mitra Initiative.**

**Statement-I:** Sagar Mitras were introduced to support coastal fishers by bridging the gap between government services and their implementation.

**Statement-II:** They primarily focus on financial assistance and biodiversity conservation.

Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?

- (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 and 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

**Q15. Which of the following is an example of an expansionary fiscal policy measure?**

- (a) Increasing income tax rates
- (b) Reducing government spending on infrastructure
- (c) Introducing subsidies for renewable energy
- (d) Increasing interest rates

**Q16. Consider the following statements about the Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar:**

- 1. It is India's highest civilian award for children above 18 years of age.
- 2. The award is organized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
- 3. Achievements for consideration must have occurred within five years prior to the nomination deadline.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q17. Consider the following statements about Surya Kiran 2024:**

- 1. It is a bilateral exercise between India and Bhutan.
- 2. It focuses on counter-terrorism operations and humanitarian operations under the UN Charter.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

**Q18. Consider the following statements about the Brahmaputra River system:**

- 1. It originates from the Manasarovar Lake in Tibet.
- 2. The river enters Arunachal Pradesh through the Mariam La Pass.
- 3. The river forms the Sunderbans delta along with the Ganga in Bangladesh.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q19. Consider the following statements about the Belagavi Congress Session, 1924:**

- 1. It marked the first introduction of the Purna Swaraj resolution.
- 2. Gandhi restructured the Congress by significantly reducing the membership fee.
- 3. The session emphasized grassroots empowerment through hand-spun khadi promotion.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q20. Consider the following statements about monetary policy:**

- 1. Quantitative Easing (QE) is a contractionary monetary policy tool.
- 2. Open Market Operations (OMO) involve buying and selling government securities to manage liquidity.
- 3. Repo rate changes directly affect short-term borrowing costs.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None



**Q21. Consider the following statements about the SMILE Program:**

1. It is a policy-based loan program funded by the World Bank.
2. It aims to promote low-emission logistics systems.
3. The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) implements it.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q22. What is the primary purpose of undersea fiber-optic cables like India Asia Xpress (IAX) and India Europe Xpress (IEX)?**

- (a) Transmitting satellite signals
- (b) Supporting undersea military communication
- (c) Enhancing global data transmission at high speeds
- (d) Monitoring oceanographic changes

**Q23. Consider the following statements about the focus areas of the Nexus Report:**

1. It solely examines the economic implications of biodiversity loss.
2. The report highlights interdependencies between food, water, and health systems.
3. It proposes a new international agreement on biodiversity conservation.

**Which of the statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q24. Which of the following migratory birds is commonly found in Bordoibam-Bilmukh Bird Sanctuary?**

- (a) Spot-billed Pelican
- (b) Great Indian Bustard
- (c) Sarus Crane
- (d) Snow Goose

**Q25. Consider the following statements about the biodiversity and significance of the Caucasus Mountains:**

1. They are home to several endemic plant and animal species.
2. The region is unsuitable for tourism due to harsh winters.
3. It is a major center for winter sports activities.
4. The mountains serve as a natural boundary between Europe and Asia.

**Which of the statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q26. Consider the following statements about the role of Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES):**

1. IPBES drafts legally binding agreements for biodiversity management.
2. It bridges the gap between science and policy for biodiversity conservation.
3. IPBES provides funds for developing countries to implement conservation programs.

**Which of the statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q27. Which of the following is true regarding Protected Area Permit (PAP) in India?**

- (a) It is required by both Indian and foreign nationals to visit protected areas.
- (b) PAP areas are declared exclusively by state governments under the Foreigners (Protected Areas) Order, 1958.
- (c) PAP is mandatory for visiting all parts of Jammu & Kashmir.
- (d) None of the above.

**Q28. Which of the following countries does NOT share a border with Georgia?**

- (a) Russia
- (b) Armenia
- (c) Ukraine
- (d) Turkey

**Q29. What makes the Northern Giant Hornet (Murder Hornet) particularly dangerous to honeybee populations?**

- (a) It releases a toxin that kills bees upon contact.
- (b) It introduces fungal infections to honeybee colonies.
- (c) It lays eggs inside honeybees, leading to hive collapse.
- (d) It decapitates honeybees to feed its larvae and destroys entire hives.

**Q30. Consider the following statements regarding Kuwait's location and geography:**

**Statement-I:** Kuwait is located at the northern tip of the Arabian Peninsula.

**Statement-II:** Kuwait Bay is a prominent natural harbour in the country.

**Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?**

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- (b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and 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

**Q31. Consider the following statements about Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF):**

1. IPF is caused solely by environmental pollutants like dust and smoke.
2. The disease leads to complications such as pulmonary hypertension and respiratory failure.
3. Genetic predisposition can increase the risk of developing IPF.

**How many of the above statements are correct?**

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

**Q32. Which of the following best describes El Niño?**

- (a) Warming of sea surface temperatures in the eastern Pacific Ocean
- (b) Cooling of sea surface temperatures in the eastern Pacific Ocean
- (c) Strengthened trade winds leading to oceanic upwelling
- (d) Increase in cold currents along the western coast of South America

**Q33. Which of the following is the primary aim of the Credit Guarantee Scheme for e-NWR?**

- (a) To promote e-commerce platforms for agricultural products
- (b) To ensure price stabilization for agricultural commodities
- (c) To provide financial support through loans against electronic warehouse receipts
- (d) To regulate warehousing standards across India

**Q34. How is Hydroxymethanesulfonate (HMS) primarily formed in the atmosphere?**

- (a) Direct emission from volcanic activity
- (b) Condensation of ammonia with sulphuric acid in the absence of water
- (c) Decomposition of sulphur dioxide at high temperatures
- (d) Reaction of formaldehyde with sulphite ions in aerosols

**Q35. During La Niña years, India typically experiences which of the following impacts?**

- (a) Above-normal monsoons and colder winters
- (b) Below-normal monsoons and warmer winters
- (c) Prolonged droughts and above-average summer heat
- (d) Increased cyclonic activity in the eastern Pacific

**Q36. Consider the following statements regarding the impacts of a Triple Dip La Niña:**

1. It leads to below-normal monsoons in India for three consecutive years.
2. It results in warmer-than-average winters in northern India.
3. It decreases cyclone activity in the Atlantic Ocean and Australian region.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

**Q37. Where is the island of Mayotte located?**

- (a) Between the Maldives and Sri Lanka in the Indian Ocean
- (b) In the Mozambique Channel between Madagascar and Mozambique
- (c) Near the Strait of Hormuz in the Persian Gulf
- (d) In the South China Sea near the Philippines

**Q38. Consider the following statements regarding the CHARAK Initiative:**

1. It is launched under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) mandate.
2. The initiative covers both infectious diseases like TB and non-communicable diseases like cardiovascular disorders.
3. The scheme also provides free treatment for accidental trauma and burn injuries.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

**Q39. Consider the following statements regarding the treatment of Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis (IPF):**

1. Antifibrotic medications can reverse lung damage caused by IPF.
2. Oxygen therapy helps manage symptoms but does not stop disease progression.
3. Lung transplantation is considered for advanced stages of the disease.

**Which of the statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None

**Q40. Consider the following statements regarding Moldova's geographic and political features:**

1. Moldova's landscape is dominated by mountains and high-altitude plateaus.
2. Transnistria is an internationally recognized autonomous region within Moldova.
3. Moldova is known for its fertile land and temperate continental climate.

**Which of the above statements is correct?**

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

**Q41. Consider the following statements about MuleHunter.AI:**

1. MuleHunter.AI was developed by the Ministry of Finance.
2. It targets offline frauds such as counterfeit cash circulation.
3. Its primary function is real-time monitoring of mule accounts.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q42. What happens when antimatter comes into contact with matter?**

- (a) They combine to form heavier particles.
- (b) Both annihilate each other, producing energy.
- (c) They neutralize and become electrically inert.
- (d) Antimatter absorbs matter and becomes stable.

**Q43. Consider the following statements regarding soil degradation in India:**

- 1. Wind erosion impacts a larger area than water erosion.
- 2. Chemical overuse leads to soil acidification and nutrient imbalance.
- 3. Deforestation primarily contributes to soil salinity in India.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q44. The Hindon River originates from which region?**

- (a) Aravalli Hills, Rajasthan
- (b) Lower Shivalik ranges, Uttar Pradesh
- (c) Vindhya Ranges, Madhya Pradesh
- (d) Western Ghats, Maharashtra

**Q45. Consider the following statements about Melye-Amiley:**

- 1. It is a fermented product derived from mangoes traditionally used in Tripura.
- 2. It promotes fatty acid  $\beta$ -oxidation, aiding weight management.
- 3. Its primary health benefit is boosting immunity against infectious diseases.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q46. Consider the following statements.**

- 1. The Eklingji Temple in Rajasthan has remained untouched by invasions throughout its history.
- 2. The temple complex is built entirely of sandstone and features minimal decorative carvings.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q47. Consider the following statements about the removal of the Deputy Chairperson of the Rajya Sabha:**

- 1. It is governed by Article 67(b) of the Constitution.
- 2. It requires a joint session of Parliament for approval.
- 3. The motion must be submitted with at least 7 days' notice.
- 4. A no-trust motion must secure a simple majority in the Rajya Sabha to succeed.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four

**Q48. Consider the following statements about antimatter:**

- 1. Antimatter has the same charge and mass as its matter counterparts.
- 2. Antimatter was formed during the Big Bang alongside matter.
- 3. The scarcity of antimatter in the observable universe is due to the dominance of its production over matter.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q49. What is the primary aim of the Bima Sakhi Yojana?**

- (a) To provide direct insurance coverage to rural women.
- (b) To provide education loans for women pursuing financial careers.
- (c) To offer free life insurance policies for women aged 18-70 years.
- (d) To train women as LIC agents and promote financial literacy

**Q50. Who is most likely to become a "money mule" in the operation of mule bank accounts?**

- (a) Financial experts with banking knowledge.
- (b) High-net-worth individuals.
- (c) Senior government officials.
- (d) Individuals with limited financial literacy.

**Q51. Consider the following statements about the role of the Chief Justice of India in case scheduling:**

- 1. The Chief Justice of India has exclusive authority over the allocation of cases to benches.
- 2. The Chief Justice must consult the Supreme Court Registry before finalizing the schedule.
- 3. The master of the roster principle allows the Chief Justice to determine which bench hears a particular case.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q52. Consider the following statements about the global context of de-dollarisation:**

- 1. De-dollarisation involves completely abandoning the use of the U.S. dollar in global trade.
- 2. China and Russia have increased the use of their local currencies in bilateral trade as part of de-dollarisation.
- 3. De-dollarisation aims to strengthen the dominance of gold as the sole global reserve asset.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None



**Q53. Consider the following statements about the Indira Gandhi Peace Prize:**

1. The prize exclusively rewards individuals from India.
2. The recipient is selected by an international jury chaired by a former Prime Minister of India.
3. The prize was instituted to commemorate Indira Gandhi's contributions to India's nuclear program.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q54. Which of the following geographical features is most prominently associated with the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)?**

- (a) Kalahari Desert
- (b) Congo River Basin
- (c) Great Rift Valley
- (d) Sahara Desert

**Q55. Consider the following statements about the lifespan and reproduction of the Laysan Albatross, recently in news:**

1. The average lifespan of the species is less than 1 year.
2. They lay multiple eggs in a single breeding season.
3. They do not exhibit pair bonding and mate with multiple partners throughout their life.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q56. Consider the following statements about PM e-Vidya:**

1. It includes the SWAYAM platform, which offers higher education courses with credit transfer.
2. Virtual Labs under PM e-Vidya are limited to science and mathematics subjects.
3. The DIKSHA platform provides learning content only for Classes 1–12.
4. PM e-Vidya was launched as part of the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) Only three
- (d) All four

**Q57. Which of the following places is known as the "Botanical Garden of Kashmir"?**

- (a) Baradari
- (b) Kokernag
- (c) Dal Lake
- (d) Gulmarg

**Q58. Consider the following statements about the miscellaneous and non-miscellaneous days in the Supreme Court:**

1. Non-miscellaneous days are exclusively for final hearings of cases.
2. Miscellaneous days are used for admission and issuing notices for fresh matters.
3. Both miscellaneous and non-miscellaneous days are governed by the Supreme Court Rules, 2013.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q59. Consider the following statements regarding the geography and climate of the Democratic Republic of Congo:**

1. The Congo River is the longest river in Africa.
2. The DRC is predominantly covered by deserts.
3. The Congo Basin is drained entirely by the Nile River.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q60. Which of the following places is referred to as "Mini Kashmir" due to its scenic beauty and forests?**

- (a) Doodhpathri
- (b) Pahalgam
- (c) Bhadarwah
- (d) Gulmarg

**Q61. Consider the following statements about the Desert Knight exercise:**

1. It is a trilateral air combat exercise involving India, Russia, and the UAE.
2. It is primarily aimed at naval warfare operations in the Indian Ocean.
3. It also focuses on training in humanitarian assistance and disaster relief.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q62. Which of the following countries does not share a border with Cameroon?**

- (a) Chad
- (b) Gabon
- (c) Angola
- (d) Equatorial Guinea

**Q63. Consider the following statements about the implementation of the eCourts Project:**

1. The Supreme Court of India directly implements the project in all jurisdictions.
2. Phase I focused on establishing Case Information Systems in courts.
3. The project includes video conferencing facilities for hospitals and jails as part of Phase II.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q64. Consider the following statements about Salar de Uyuni (world's largest salt flat), recently in news:**

**Statement-I:** Salar de Uyuni is part of the 'lithium triangle,' which includes Chile, Argentina, and Bolivia.

**Statement-II:** The region contributes significantly to global lithium supply due to the extraction technologies developed there.

**Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?**

- (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 and 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

**Q65. Which organization is responsible for organizing the World Chess Championship?**

- (a) World Chess Association (WCA)
- (b) Fédération Internationale des Échecs (FIDE)
- (c) International Board of Chess (IBC)
- (d) World Chess Federation (WCF)

**Q66. Consider the following statements about the formation of salt flats:**

- 1. Salt flats are formed due to the deposition of volcanic ash.
- 2. Salt flats expand significantly after rainfall due to water absorption.
- 3. Salt flats form in areas with heavy rainfall and abundant groundwater.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q67. Consider the following statements about manganese contamination in water:**

- 1. Manganese is toxic even in trace amounts.
- 2. Natural erosion and sedimentation can elevate manganese levels in water.
- 3. Industrial effluents are a significant source of manganese pollution in water bodies.
- 4. Chronic manganese exposure is linked to neurological disorders and cancer.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q68. Consider the following statements about the 'One Nation, One Election' policy:**

- 1. It requires amendments to multiple constitutional articles for implementation.
- 2. The Ramnath Kovind Committee was formed to evaluate its feasibility.
- 3. The policy proposes holding Lok Sabha and local body elections simultaneously.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q69. Consider the following statements regarding sources of manganese contamination:**

- 1. Agricultural runoff contributes to manganese contamination in groundwater.
- 2. Mining operations release manganese into water sources.
- 3. Geogenic leaching from natural deposits is a primary cause of manganese in water.
- 4. Domestic sewage is the leading source of manganese contamination.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q70. What is the primary function of the National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG)?**

- (a) To provide online certified copies of judgments
- (b) To enable real-time statistics on pending and disposed cases
- (c) To facilitate e-filing and e-payment gateways
- (d) To provide cloud storage for court records

**Q71. Consider the following statements about Lok Sabha seating arrangements:**

- 1. Seats are allocated based on the individual MP's seniority.
- 2. Members of smaller parties with fewer than five MPs are placed at the Speaker's discretion.
- 3. Opposition party members always sit in the last rows of the chamber.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q72. The primary advantage of nanobubbles in water purification is:**

- (a) Rapid dissolution of gases into the atmosphere
- (b) Absorbing impurities through surface cohesion
- (c) Coalescing to form larger bubbles for better visibility
- (d) Prolonged interaction with water for efficient cleaning

**Q73. Consider the following statements about FSSAI's high-risk food classification:**

- 1. High-risk foods require mandatory BIS certification for compliance.
- 2. The classification aims to reduce dual regulatory processes.
- 3. Dairy products and fortified foods are part of the high-risk category.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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



**Q74. Consider the following statements about the U.S. President's pardon procedure:**

1. A pardon erases the recipient's criminal record.
2. Presidential clemency requires majority approval in Congress.
3. Acceptance of a pardon is considered an admission of guilt.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q75. Consider the following statements regarding MNREGA Job Card Deletion**

**Statement-I:** Job cards of households that permanently migrate outside the Gram Panchayat can be deleted under MGNREGA.

**Statement-II:** Permanent migration is the only criterion for job card deletion under MGNREGA.

**Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?**

- (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 and 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

**Q76. What is the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) between North and South Korea?**

- (a) A maritime border in the Sea of Japan
- (b) A permanent land border established by the 38th parallel
- (c) A 250-kilometer-long buffer zone established post-Korean War
- (d) A region controlled jointly by North and South Korea

**Q77. What is the primary goal of the Proba-3 Mission?**

- (a) To demonstrate high-precision formation flying in space
- (b) To deploy a constellation of communication satellites
- (c) To study Mars' atmospheric composition
- (d) To develop autonomous deep-space exploration vehicles

**Q78. Which of the following best describes extrachromosomal DNA (ecDNA)?**

- (a) Linear DNA segments located outside the cell nucleus
- (b) Viral DNA segments inserted into the host genome
- (c) DNA sequences integrated into chromosomal DNA
- (d) Circular DNA fragments floating freely in the cell nucleus

**Q79. Consider the following statements about the Proba-3 mission:**

1. It is led by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).
2. It aims to create artificial solar eclipses for extended solar observations.
3. It studies the Sun's corona and its influence on space weather.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q80. Consider the following statements about the limitations of the U.S. President's pardon power:**

1. It applies only to federal crimes.
2. It shields the recipient from civil lawsuits related to the crime.
3. It does not cover impeachment cases.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q81. Consider the following statements regarding the LISA system:**

1. It is designed to automate the linen inspection process in Indian Railways' air-conditioned coaches.
2. It uses AI to detect defects, stains, or damages in linens.
3. It cannot process large volumes of linens quickly

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q82. Consider the following statements about the Atmanirbhar Clean Plant Programme:**

1. It aims to increase horticulture yield and promote disease-free plant varieties.
2. It provides genetically modified seeds to farmers for higher productivity.
3. The programme is implemented under the Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one
- (b) Only two
- (c) All three
- (d) None

**Q83. Which of the following rivers flows through Syria and is a key water resource?**

- (a) Euphrates River
- (b) Jordan River
- (c) Indus River
- (d) Danube River

**Q84. Consider the following statements regarding criteria for EU membership:**

1. A country must have stable institutions that guarantee democracy and rule of law.
2. It is mandatory for all EU members to adopt the euro as their currency upon joining.
3. A country must demonstrate the capacity to adopt EU laws and regulations.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q85. Consider the following statements about super volcanoes:**

1. They form vast depressions in the Earth's crust called calderas.
2. Super volcanoes are known for frequent, low-intensity eruptions.
3. Eruptions from super volcanoes can cause global climatic changes.

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

- (a) Only one                              (b) Only two  
(c) All three                              (d) None

**Q86. Consider the following statements regarding Aravalli Green Wall Project:**

**Statement-I:** The Aravalli Green Wall Project integrates Nature-Based Solutions (NbS) for ecosystem restoration.

**Statement-II:** The use of GIS tools enhances monitoring and planning of restoration efforts under the project.

**Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?**

- (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 and 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

**Q87. The Buland Darwaza at the Ajmer Sharif Dargah is a blend of which two architectural styles?**

- (a) Indo-Gothic and Islamic  
(b) Rajput and Buddhist  
(c) Hindu and Islamic  
(d) Mughal and Persian

**Q88. Consider the following statements regarding green steel:**

1. It is exclusively produced using green hydrogen.
2. Dismantled ships' scrap can be used as a raw material for producing green steel.
3. Direct electrolysis in green steel production is similar to the process used in aluminium production.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q89. Consider the following statements about snakebites in India:**

1. India records the highest number of snakebite incidents globally.
2. Snakebite cases are more prevalent in urban areas.
3. The National Action Plan for Prevention and Control of Snakebite Envenoming (NAPSE) aims to reduce snakebite deaths by 50% by 2030.
4. Anti-venom treatment is uniformly available across rural India.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one                              (b) Only two  
(c) Only three                            (d) All four

**Q90. Consider the following statements regarding the Hong Kong Convention:**

1. It focuses only on ship recycling safety but overlooks worker health.
2. The convention's implementation requires compliance by shipbreaking yards and shipowners.
3. Its standards are aligned with the Basel Convention on hazardous waste.

**Which of the statements given above is/are incorrect?**

- (a) Only one                              (b) Only two  
(c) All three                              (d) None

**Q91. Consider the following statements regarding the Nayakkarpatti Tungsten Block, recently seen in news:**

1. It is located entirely outside any biodiversity conservation area.
2. Tungsten from this block is classified as a critical mineral for national development.
3. Mining activities here require environmental and forest clearances.

**How many of the above statements are correct?**

- (a) Only one                              (b) Only two  
(c) All three                              (d) None

**Q92. Uganda shares its largest freshwater lake, Lake Victoria, with which of the following countries?**

- (a) Democratic Republic of Congo and Rwanda  
(b) South Sudan and Rwanda  
(c) Tanzania and Kenya  
(d) Kenya and South Sudan

**Q93. What does the large hemispherical dome (Anda) of the Sanchi Stupa represent?**

- (a) Buddha's physical form and teachings.  
(b) The abode of the gods.  
(c) The relics of Lord Buddha.  
(d) The universe and cosmic harmony.

**Q94. Which of the following best describes the Accelerated Degree Programme (ADP) introduced by UGC?**

- (a) Allows students to graduate early by transferring credits from other institutions.  
(b) Permits students to extend their graduation timeline by up to two semesters.  
(c) Enables high-performing students to graduate early by earning additional credits.  
(d) Mandates a fixed timeline for completing degrees without flexibility.

**Q95. Consider the following statements about the Asiatic Lion:**

1. They are listed as "Vulnerable" on the IUCN Red List.
2. They are protected under Appendix I of CITES and Schedule I of the Wildlife Protection Act (India).
3. They historically ranged from southwest Asia to northern India.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one (b) Only two  
(c) All three (d) None

**Q96. Which event of historical significance took place at the Notre-Dame Cathedral?**

- (a) Signing of the Treaty of Versailles  
(b) Coronation of Napoleon I as Emperor  
(c) Execution of Louis XVI during the French Revolution  
(d) Adoption of the Napoleonic Code

**Q97. Consider the following statements regarding Sambhal Mosque:**

1. The Sambhal Mosque was constructed during the reign of Mughal Emperor Babur.
2. The architecture of the mosque is entirely unique and bears no resemblance to other Mughal-era mosques.

**Which of the above statements is/are correct?**

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

**Q98. Which of the following is correctly matched regarding biodiversity heritage sites in India?**

- (a) Majuli – West Bengal  
(b) Nallur Tamarind Grove – Tamil Nadu  
(c) Tungkong Dho – Sikkim  
(d) Mandasaru – Maharashtra

**Q99. Which of the following is true about the color-coded alerts issued by the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD)?**

- (a) The Yellow alert indicates severe weather, necessitating immediate evacuation.  
(b) The Green alert requires monitoring of potential disruptions.  
(c) The Orange alert advises caution for moderately bad weather.  
(d) None of the above.

**Q100. Consider the following statements about the Sanchi Stupa:**

1. It was commissioned during the Satavahana period.
2. It includes inscriptions in Brahmi and Gupta scripts.
3. The paradakshinapatha is meant for circumambulation of the stupa by devotees.

**How many of the above statements is/are correct?**

- (a) Only one  
(b) Only two  
(c) All three  
(d) None