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## अनुदेश

- 1. परीक्षा प्रारम्भ होने के तुरन्त बाद, आप इस परीक्षण पुस्तिका की पड़ताल अवश्य कर लें कि इसमें कोई बिना छपा, फटा या छूटा हुआ पृष्ठ अथवा प्रश्नांश, आदि न हो । यदि ऐसा है, तो इसे सही परीक्षण पुस्तिका से बदल लें ।
- 2. कृपया ध्यान रखें कि OMR उत्तर-पत्रक में, उचित स्थान पर, रोल नम्बर और परीक्षण पुस्तिका अनुक्रम A, B, C या D को, ध्यान से एवं बिना किसी चूक या विसंगति के भरने और कूटबद्ध करने की जिम्मेदारी उम्मीदवार की है। किसी भी प्रकार की चूक/विसंगति की स्थिति में उत्तर-पत्रक निरस्त कर दिया जाएगा।
- इस परीक्षण पुस्तिका पर साथ में दिए गए कोष्ठक में आपको अपना अनुक्रमांक लिखना है । परीक्षण पुस्तिका पर और कुछ न लिखें ।
- 4. इस परीक्षण पुस्तिका में 120 प्रश्नांश (प्रश्न) दिए गए हैं । प्रत्येक प्रश्नांश हिन्दी और अंग्रेज़ी दोनों में छपा है । प्रत्येक प्रश्नांश में चार प्रत्युत्तर (उत्तर) दिए गए हैं । इनमें से एक प्रत्युत्तर को चुन लें, जिसे आप उत्तर-पत्रक पर अंकित करना चाहते हैं । यदि आपको ऐसा लगे कि एक से अधिक प्रत्युत्तर सही हैं, तो उस प्रत्युत्तर को अंकित करें जो आपको सर्वोत्तम लगे । प्रत्येक प्रश्नांश के लिए केवल एक ही प्रत्युत्तर चुनना है ।
- 5. आपको अपने सभी प्रत्युत्तर अलग से दिए गए उत्तर-पत्रक पर ही अंकित करने हैं । उत्तर-पत्रक में दिए गए निर्देश देखें ।
- 6. सभी प्रश्नांशों के अंक समान हैं।
- 7. इससे पहले कि आप परीक्षण पुस्तिका के विभिन्न प्रश्नांशों के प्रत्युत्तर उत्तर-पत्रक पर अंकित करना शुरू करें, आपको प्रवेश प्रमाण-पत्र के साथ प्रेषित अनुदेशों के अनुसार कुछ विवरण उत्तर-पत्रक में देने हैं ।
- 8. आप अपने सभी प्रत्युत्तरों को उत्तर-पत्रक में भरने के बाद तथा परीक्षा के समापन पर केवल उत्तर-पत्रक अधीक्षक को सौंप दें। आपको अपने साथ परीक्षण पुस्तिका ले जाने की अनुमित है।
- 9. कच्चे काम के लिए पत्रक परीक्षण पुस्तिका के अंत में संलग्न हैं।
- 10. ग़लत उत्तरों के लिए दंड :

वस्तुनिष्ठ प्रश्न-पत्रों में उम्मीदवार द्वारा दिए गए ग़लत उत्तरों के लिए दंड दिया जाएगा।

- (i) प्रत्येक प्रश्न के लिए चार वैकल्पिक उत्तर हैं। उम्मीदवार द्वारा प्रत्येक प्रश्न के लिए दिए गए एक ग़लत उत्तर के लिए प्रश्न हेतु नियत किए गए अंकों का **एक-तिहाई** दंड के रूप में काटा जाएगा।
- (ii) यदि कोई उम्मीदवार एक से अधिक उत्तर देता है, तो इसे ग़लत उत्तर माना जाएगा, यद्यपि दिए गए उत्तरों में से एक उत्तर सही होता है, फिर भी उस प्रश्न के लिए उपर्युक्तानुसार ही, उसी तरह का दंड दिया जाएगा ।
- (iii) यदि उम्मीदवार द्वारा कोई प्रश्न हल नहीं किया जाता है, अर्थात् उम्मीदवार द्वारा उत्तर नहीं दिया जाता है, तो उस प्रश्न के लिए कोई दंड नहीं दिया जाएगा ।

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- The term "public authority" under the Right to Information Act, 2005 does not include which one of the following?
  - (a) National Human Rights Commission
  - (b) Lokayukta of Delhi
  - (c) A non-Government Organization receiving substantial grant from the Government
  - (d) Trustees of PM CARES Fund
- Who has the right to information under the Right to Information Act, 2005?
  - (a) All individuals in India including the foreigners residing in India
  - (b) All individuals in India, agencies of the State and the foreigners residing in India
  - (c) All citizens of India
  - (d) All agencies of the State
- The obligation of a public authority under the Right to Information Act, 2005 does not include
  - (a) publication of all relevant facts while formulating important policies which affect public
  - (b) providing reasons for its administrative decisions to affected persons
  - (c) publication of all relevant facts while announcing decisions which affect public
  - (d) providing information regarding commercial confidence to an applicant except in case of larger public interest

- 4. "Right to information" under the Right to Information Act, 2005 does *not* include
  - (a) inspection of official documents
  - (b) obtaining information relating to Border Roads Development Board
  - (c) taking notes from the official files
  - (d) taking certified copy of a decision of the Court
- 5. "Competent authority" under the Right to Information Act, 2005 does **not** mean
  - (a) Chief Minister of Delhi
  - (b) Speaker in case of Legislative Assembly of Delhi
  - (c) Chairman in case of Legislative Council of Uttar Pradesh
  - (d) Vice-President of India in case of Council of States
- 6. "Information" under the Right to Information Act, 2005 does *not* include
  - (a) records as defined under the Right to Information Act, 2005
  - (b) any information relating to a private body which cannot be accessed by a public authority
  - (c) reports of Commissions of Inquiry
  - (d) data material held in any electronic form
- 7. Which one of the following countries has once again topped the list of being the most powerful passport in the world, for the third consecutive year as per Henley Passport Index 2021?
  - (a) Japan
  - (b) Singapore
  - (c) South Korea
  - (d) Syria

- 8. The 51<sup>st</sup> edition of International Film Festival of India (IFFI) was held from 16 January to 24 January 2021 in
  - (a) Mumbai
  - (b) Goa
  - (c) Hyderabad
  - (d) Chennai
- 9. Khelo India Ice Hockey Tournament was organised in
  - (a) Himachal Pradesh
  - (b) Kashmir
  - (c) Ladakh
  - (d) Arunachal Pradesh
- 10. Who has been named winner of the prestigious 2021 Michael and Sheila Held Prize along with two others for solving long-standing questions on the Kadison-Singer problem and on Ramanujan graphs?
  - (a) Nirupam Srivastava
  - (b) Anil Srivastava
  - (c) Anirudh Srivastava
  - (d) Nikhil Srivastava
- 11. World Braille Day is observed globally on
  - (a) 4th January
  - (b) 7<sup>th</sup> February
  - (c) 4th March
  - (d) 7th April
- In India, the National Girl Child Day (NGCD) is observed annually on
  - (a) 24<sup>th</sup> January
  - (b) 27th February
  - (c) 24th March
  - (d) 27th April

- 13. Which one of the following statements is not correct?
  - (a) Untouchability has been abolished in India.
  - (b) In India practising untouchability is an offence.
  - (c) The Civil Rights Protection Act, 1955 deals with untouchabilty.
  - (d) The offence of untouchability is punishable by law made by the legislature of a State.
- 14. According to the Constitution of India, which one of the following in not prohibited?
  - (a) Conferment of a military title by the State
  - (b) An Indian citizen accepting any title from a foreign State
  - (c) An individual, who is not a citizen of India but holding an office of profit in India, accepting a title from a foreign State after informing the President of India
  - (d) An individual holding an office of trust under the State, accepting any present without informing the Government of India
- 15. The citizens of India do not have which one of the following fundamental rights?
  - (a) Right to reside and settle in any part of India
  - (b) Right to acquire, hold and dispose of property
  - (c) Right to practice any profession
  - (d) Right to form an association

- 16. Parliament of India consists of
  - (a) the President of India only
  - (b) the House of the People and the Council of States only
  - (c) The President of India, the House of the People and the Council of States
  - (d) the Vice-President of India, the House of the People and the Council of States
- 17. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

The President of India can proclaim emergency

- on the ground of war, aggression or armed rebellion.
- only if the decision of the Union Council of Ministers is communicated to him in writing.
- only if both houses of Parliament approve the proclamation after its promulgation.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 1, 2 and 3
- (d) 3 only
- 18. The book titled, 'By Many a Happy Accident : Recollections of a Life' has been authored by
  - (a) R.P. Gupta
  - (b) Mohammad Hamid Ansari
  - (c) Peter Mukerjea
  - (d) Kabir Bedi

- 19. The book titled, 'Platform Scale: For a Post-Pandemic World' has been authored by
  - (a) Michael Joseph
  - (b) Meghna Pant
  - (c) Sangeet Paul Choudhary
  - (d) Priyanka Chopra Jonas
- 20. Which one of the following statements is not correct with regard to quorum of Lok Sabha / Parliamentary Committees?
  - (a) Quorum of the House is one-tenth of the total members of the House.
  - (b) Quorum of a Parliamentary Committee is, as near as may be, one-third of its total members.
  - (c) The House/Committee cannot commence its sitting without ensuring quorum.
  - (d) Quorum is ensured only when it is pointed out by a member.
- 21. Which one of the following Ministries/Departments handles matters related to private air transport (including Cargo) Industry?
  - (a) Department of Heavy Industries
  - (b) Department of Defence Production
  - (c) Ministry of Civil Aviation
  - (d) Ministry of Tourism
- 22. The Commission of Railway Safety functions under the administrative control of the Ministry of
  - (a) Labour and Employment
  - (b) Railways
  - (c) Commerce and Industries
  - (d) Civil Aviation

- 23. Which of the following statements is/are correct with regard to the effects of dissolution of Lok Sabha?
  - The dissolution is irrevocable.
  - All business pending before the Lok Sabha lapses.
  - A Bill passed by the Lok Sabha immediately before its dissolution can be taken up by the Rajya Sabha.

- (a) 1, 2 and 3
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 1 only
- (d) 2 and 3 only
- 24. Which one of the following statements is not correct?
  - (a) Before 1923, a Bill passed by one House and transmitted to the other House of the Central Legislative Assembly did not lapse upon dissolution of the House which had passed it.
  - (b) Bills passed by Lok Sabha but pending in Rajya Sabha on the date of dissolution of Lok Sabha, lapse.
  - (c) Only Bills originating in Rajya Sabha which have not been passed by Lok Sabha but are still pending before Rajya Sabha, lapse.
  - (d) Only Bills originating in Rajya Sabha which have not been passed by Lok Sabha but are still pending before Rajya Sabha, do not lapse.

- 25. Which one of the following statements is correct?
  - (a) A Bill can be taken up in a joint sitting of the Houses notwithstanding the dissolution of the Lok Sabha.
  - (b) A Bill cannot be taken up in a joint sitting of the Houses after Lok Sabha is dissolved.
  - (c) Joint session cannot be convened by the President after dissolution of Lok Sabha even though the President notified his intention to summon the Joint Sitting of the Houses.
  - (d) There is express provision in the Constitution regarding the effect of dissolution on a Bill which has been passed by the two Houses and sent to the President for assent.
- 26. Which of the following statements is/are correct with regard to the effect of dissolution of Lok Sabha?
  - Supplementary Demands for grants do not lapse.
  - A motion given in pursuance of Section 3(1) of Judges (Inquiry) Act, 1968 for presenting an address to the President praying for removal of a Judge, if admitted, will not lapse on the dissolution of the Lok Sabha.
  - Anything said or done during the existence of a House, can be raised as a privilege issue after that House has been dissolved.

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

- 27. Which of the following statements is/are correct with regard to Lok Sabha?
  - The procedure for summoning of Lok Sabha for an emergency session is generally not same as for a regular session.
  - The assurances given by Ministers on the floor of the House, which are pending for implementation are deemed not to lapse on the dissolution of the Lok Sabha.
  - Business pending before parliamentary committees of the Lok Sabha do not lapse on dissolution of Lok Sabha.

- (a) 1 and 3 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 2 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 28. Which of the following statements about Attorney General of India is correct?
  - (a) He has the right to take part in the proceedings and vote in either House of Parliament.
  - (b) He has the right to take part in the proceedings but has no right to vote in either House of Parliament.
  - (c) He cannot attend a joint sitting of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha.
  - (d) He cannot take part in the Committee meetings of Lok Sabha or Rajya Sabha.
- World Economic Forum, an International Organization for Public Private Cooperation, is headquartered at
  - (a) Cologny, Geneva, Switzerland
  - (b) Davos-Klosters, Graubünden, Switzerland
  - (c) Dalian, China
  - (d) Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
- 30. Which one is not a necessary condition for competitiveness of a firm?
  - (a) Comparable quality of the product with that of rivals
  - (b) Competitive price with rivals
  - (c) Adequate returns to the firm
  - (d) Economical use of resources by the firm

- 31. Competitive advantage of a firm does not imply
  - (a) lower price for same value
  - (b) same price for higher value
  - (c) same price and same value
  - (d) matching core competencies to the opportunities
- 32. Auction is a market where price is
  - (a) set by negotiation between buyer and seller
  - (b) arrived at by a bidding process
  - (c) notified by Government
  - (d) declared by auctioneer
- 33. Contract is an agreement between two parties which is **not** 
  - (a) voluntary
  - (b) deliberate
  - (c) binding
  - (d) imposed
- 34. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

Tax expenditure is the revenue foregone by the Government due to

- 1. exemptions under corporation tax.
- deductions allowed on account of accelerated depreciations.
- deductions on export profits earned by the SEZ units.

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

- 35. According to the provisions of the Right to 37. Information Act, 2005, which one of the following statements is **not** correct?
  - (a) An application for information must be made only in English or in Hindi.
  - (b) An application seeking information must accompany prescribed fee except for persons below poverty line.
  - (c) No personal details need to be given while seeking information except those necessary for contacting the applicant.
  - (d) Information can be sought even orally.
- 36. According to the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005, which one of the following statements is correct?
  - (a) No reasons are required to be given for seeking information.
  - (b) Information is to be supplied free of cost after two weeks from the date of making the application.
  - (c) Where an application is made to a public authority for information which is held by another public authority, the application must be transferred within one week to that public authority having the information.
  - (d) If an information relates to the life of a person, the information must be supplied within one week under section 7(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005.

- 37. Which of the following statements is/are correct under the Right to Information Act, 2005?
  - It is not necessary to supply all kinds of information.
  - Information pertaining to corruption in Central Reserve Police Force must be supplied.
  - Information pertaining to violation of human rights in Intelligence Bureau must be supplied.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 1 and 2 only
- (c) 2 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 38. Information under the Right to Information Act, 2005 *cannot* be denied on which one of the following grounds/cases?
  - (a) Information relating to copyright subsisting in the State
  - (b) Information is likely to impede investigation or apprehension of an offender
  - (c) Information is a trade secret
  - (d) Personal information affecting privacy of an individual

- 39. Indian Air Force and French Air and Space Force have conducted a bilateral Air exercise, "Ex Desert Knight-21" in
  - (a) Maharashtra
  - (b) Rajasthan
  - (c) Karnataka
  - (d) Tamil Nadu
- 40. Tech major Microsoft has launched its new India Development Center (IDC) facility in
  - (a) Bangalore
  - (b) Pune
  - (c) Noida
  - (d) Hyderabad
- 41. World Unani Day is observed every year on
  - (a) 11th February
  - (b) 11<sup>th</sup> March
  - (c) 17<sup>th</sup> February
  - (d) 17th March
- 42. The National Informatics Centre (NIC), under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, has launched an instant messaging platform called
  - (a) Samachar
  - (b) Sandes
  - (c) Telegraph
  - (d) Chat

- 43. Which one of the following metros has become the first metro in India to use ultraviolet rays to sanitise train coaches?
  - (a) Delhi Metro
  - (b) Bangalore Metro
  - (c) Lucknow Metro
  - (d) Chennai Metro
- 44. Consider the following statements:
  - The Constitution of India empowers the Union to entrust its executive function to a State, by its consent.
  - A State cannot entrust its executive function to the Union.

Which of the above statements is/are not correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 45. The right to religious freedom under the Constitution of India does not mean
  - (a) freedom to practice and profess a religion of one's own choice
  - (b) carrying of Kirpan by a person professing Sikh religion
  - (c) preventing the State from making any law regulating economic activity associated with any religion
  - (d) freedom to establish and maintain institutions for religious and charitable purposes

- 46. Which one of the following languages is **not** recognized in the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution of India?
  - (a) English
  - (b) Sanskrit
  - (c) Urdu
  - (d) Nepali
- 47. A Member of Lok Sabha does *not* become disqualified to continue as a Member of the House if the person
  - (a) voluntarily gives up his/her membership of the political party from which he/she was elected
  - (b) is expelled by the political party from which he/she had been elected to the House
  - joins a political party after being elected as an independent candidate
  - (d) abstains from voting contrary to the direction issued by his/her political party
- 48. Which of the following statements is/are correct?
  - A person above the age of thirty-five years is eligible for President of India.
  - A person is qualified for election as President of India if he/she is qualified for election as a member of the House of the People.
  - A person is not eligible for election as President of India if he/she holds an office of profit.

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

- 49. Which one of the following Ministries/Departments is concerned with matters related to the Hotel Corporation of India?
  - (a) Ministry of Civil Aviation
  - (b) Ministry of Tourism
  - (c) Department of Public Enterprises
  - (d) Department of Commerce
- 50. Minerals and Metals Trading Corporation functions under the administrative control of which one of the following Ministries/Departments?
  - (a) Ministry of Mines
  - (b) Department of Commerce
  - (c) Department of Heavy Industries
  - (d) Ministry of Earth Sciences
- 51. Which one of the following cadres is not managed by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry?
  - (a) Indian Economic Service
  - (b) Indian Trade Service
  - (c) Indian Supply Service
  - (d) Indian Inspection Service
- 52. The Department of Commerce can decide matters relating to grant of fiscal concessions in Special Economic Zones with the concurrence of
  - (a) the Minister-in-charge of the Department
  - (b) the Department of Economic Affairs
  - (c) the Department of Revenue
  - (d) the Parliament

- 53. Which one of the following organisations is not under the administrative control of the Department of Commerce?
  - (a) Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics
  - (b) Marine Products Export Development Authority
  - (c) Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority
  - (d) Competition Commission of India
- 54. Which one of the following Acts is not directly related to the protection of Intellectual Property Rights?
  - (a) The Transfer of Property Act, 1882
  - (b) The Semiconductor Integrated Circuits Layout Designs Act, 2000
  - (c) The Trade and Merchandise Marks Act, 1958
  - (d) The Patents Act, 1970
- **55.** Which one of the following statements is **not** correct?
  - (a) The Attorney General holds office during the pleasure of the President.
  - (b) The Attorney General is appointed for a term of five years or till the age of 65 years whichever is earlier.
  - (c) There is no statutory age limit for appointment or retirement of the Attorney General.
  - (d) In the Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha, the Attorney General occupies a seat on the treasury benches and is entitled to all privileges and immunities of Members of Parliament.

- 56. Which one of the following statements is correct with regard to dissolution of the Lok Sabha?
  - (a) Both the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker hold their offices.
  - (b) Only the Deputy Speaker vacates his office.
  - (c) Both the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker vacate their offices.
  - (d) Both the Speaker and the Deputy Speaker continue to be Members of Lok Sabha.
- 57. Which one of the following statements is correct with regard to Speaker of Lok Sabha?
  - (a) Speaker tenders his resignation letter addressed to the President.
  - (b) When the office of the Speaker is vacant the duties of his office shall be performed by the Deputy Speaker.
  - (c) The Speaker holds office at the pleasure of the President.
  - (d) The Speaker can summon a joint session of Parliament.
- 58. Which one of the following statements is correct with regard to removal of the Speaker of Lok Sabha?
  - (a) The Speaker may be removed from his office by the President on a resolution of Lok Sabha passed by a majority of all the then Members of the House.
  - (b) The Speaker may be removed from his office by a resolution of Lok Sabha passed by a majority of all the then Members of the House.
  - (c) At least 21 days' notice has to be given to move a resolution to remove the Speaker.
  - (d) In computing the period of notice for removing the Speaker, both the terminal days are included.

- 59. Which one of the following statements with regard to suspension of Members from Lok Sabha is correct?
  - (a) In the event of grave disorder occasioned by a Member coming to the well of the House or abusing the rule of the House persistently and willfully obstructing its business he/she shall stand automatically suspended from the service of the House.
  - (b) In the event of grave disorder occasioned by a Member coming to the well of the House or abusing the rule of the House persistently and willfully obstructing its business he/she shall stand automatically suspended from the service of the House only after being named by the Speaker.
  - (c) A Member stands automatically suspended from the service of Lok Sabha for a period of 25 days if he/she comes to the well of the House and willfully and persistently obstructs the business of the House.
  - (d) A Member cannot be suspended automatically from the service of the House even in the event of grave disorder by shouting slogans in the well and obstructing the business of the House.
- 60. Which one of the following statements with regard to Constitutional Amendments is correct?
  - (a) The Constitutional provisions relating to the election of the President of India can be amended simply by obtaining a special majority.
  - (b) Amendment of a List in the VII Schedule shall be effected only after obtaining the ratification by one-half of the States, in addition to fulfilling the 'special majority' provision.
  - (c) A bill seeking to establish a new State and alteration of areas, boundaries or names of existing ones require to be passed by a special majority in both the Houses of Parliament.
  - (d) For creation or abolition of Legislative Councils in the States the concerned bill has to be passed in both the Houses of Parliament by a special majority.

- 61. India's first-ever geothermal power project will be implemented by State-owned Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) Limited in
  - (a) Ladakh
  - (b) Himachal Pradesh
  - (c) Assam
  - (d) Mizoram
- **62.** Which one of the following sector's contribution is the maximum in India's GDP?
  - (a) Agriculture sector
  - (b) Manufacturing sector
  - (c) Services sector
  - (d) Mining sector
- 63. As per the census 2011, which one of the following States in India has the highest percentage of Scheduled Tribes population in its total population?
  - (a) Mizoram
  - (b) Arunachal Pradesh
  - (c) Andaman and Nicobar Islands
  - (d) Madhya Pradesh
- 64. Which of the following socio-economic factors tend to keep birth rate in India significantly high?
  - 1. Poverty
  - 2. Joint family system
  - 3. Urbanisation
  - Universal marriage

- (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:
  - Human Development Report, 2015 focuses on work instead of job or employment.
  - The Human Development Index is a composite indicator composed of three equally weighted measures for education, health and income.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 66. Which one of the following types of schools is not covered under the Mid Day Meal Scheme (NP-MDMS)?
  - (a) Government schools
  - (b) Government aided schools
  - (c) Local body schools
  - (d) Private schools
- 67. Which one of following statements is not correct under the Right to Information Act, 2005?
  - (a) No specific qualifications have been prescribed for appointment as Information Commissioner.
  - (b) An Information Commissioner holds office at the pleasure of the President.
  - (c) No person can be appointed as Information Commissioner unless he is a person of eminence in public life.
  - (d) An Information Commissioner must have wide knowledge and experience in law, science, and technology, social service, management, journalism, mass media or administration and governance.

- 68. Which of the following statements relating to the Constitution (74<sup>th</sup> Amendment) Act is/are correct?
  - 1. It was passed to constitute Municipalities.
  - 2. It provides for elections to Municipalities.
  - 3. It has inserted Part IX A.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 only
- (c) 1 and 2 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 69. A Northrop Grumman-built Cygnus cargo ship, a space supply ship to carry vital supplies for astronauts on the International Space Station (ISS), was launched by
  - (a) ISRO
  - (b) Space X
  - (c) NASA
  - (d) Skylab
- 70. Which of the following statements relating to the citizenship of India is/are correct?
  - A person born outside India on or after January 26, 1950, but before 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 1992, if his/her father is a citizen of India at the time of his/her birth shall be a citizen of India by descent.
  - A foreigner who is being illegal migrant can acquire Indian citizenship, on application for naturalization to the Government of India.

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

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

Under the Right to Information Act, 2005, when only a part of the information is supplied severing the same from the rest of the information which cannot be supplied, the applicant must be given notice indicating

- 1. reasons for the severance.
- address of the authority which had taken the decision.
- 3. his/her right to review the decision.

- (a) 1 only
- (b) 2 and 3 only
- (c) 1 and 3 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 75. A team of scientists, doctors and photographers have launched a mobile application named "Snakepedia" that will present all relevant information on snakes, to help the public as well as doctors in treating snake bites. The team belongs to which one of the following states?
  - (a) Kerala
  - (b) Madhya Pradesh
  - (c) Tamil Nadu
  - (d) Uttar Pradesh

- 73. Which one of the following became the first State or Union Territory in India to launch Carbon Watch, a mobile application to assess the carbon footprint of an individual?
  - (a) Delhi
  - (b) Karnataka
  - (c) Puducherry
  - (d) Chandigarh
- 74. The Indian shooting contingent has topped the medals tally in the first-ever Asian Online Shooting Championship, organised by
  - (a) Kuwait Shooting Federation
  - (b) Japan Shooting Federation
  - (c) Taiwan Shooting Federation
  - (d) Israel Shooting Federation
- Organisation has successfully carried out joint user trials of indigenously developed Helina and Dhruvastra Anti-Tank Guided Missiles (ATGM) from the Advanced Light Helicopter in
  - (a) Odisha
  - (b) Rajasthan
  - (c) Tamil Nadu
  - (d) Punjab

- 76. Which one of the following statements is 79.
  - (a) Any citizen of India above eighteen years of age can be appointed as the Prime Minister.
  - (b) The Union Council of Ministers is collectively responsible to the Parliament.
  - (c) While deciding any question regarding the age of a judge of a High Court, the President shall take advice of the Chief Justice of India.
  - (d) While deciding any question regarding disqualification of a Member of Parliament, the President has power to decide the question after consulting the Supreme Court.
- 77. The Constitution of India under Part XXI does not contain special provision for which one of the following States?
  - (a) Maharashtra
  - (b) Gujarat
  - (c) Andhra Pradesh
  - (d) Bihar
- 78. Which of the following statements with regard to preventive detention is/are correct?
  - The detenue has no rights other than those mentioned in clauses (4) and (5) of Article 22 of the Constitution of India.
  - The detenue can get bail on the ground that he had been in prison beyond twenty-four hours without an order of the magistrate.

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

- 79. The Supreme Court of India has no power to grant special leave to appeal against
  - (a) the decisions of the National Green Tribunal
  - (b) the decisions of the National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission
  - (c) against the decisions of all those tribunals for which appeal is provided under the Legislation
  - (d) any judgment passed by any Court or tribunal constituted by or under any law relating to the armed forces
- 80. Which one of the following statements is correct?
  - (a) Directive Principles of State Policy are not justiciable.
  - (b) Legislations included in Ninth Schedule are not justiciable.
  - (c) Laws enacted under Article 323-A are not justiciable.
  - (d) Ordinances promulgated by the President of India are not justiciable.
- 81. Drafting of Bills is the responsibility of
  - (a) the Ministry/Department concerned
  - (b) the Ministry of Law and Justice
  - (c) the Cabinet Secretariat
  - (d) the Ministry of Home Affiairs
- 82. Bharat Wagon and Engineering Company Limited, Burn Standard Company Limited and the Lagan Jute Machinery Company Limited are subsidiary companies under the administrative control of which one of the following Ministries?
  - (a) Ministry of Railways
  - (b) Ministry of Textiles
  - (c) Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
  - (d) Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises

- 83. Public Enterprises Selection Board, which advises the Government on appointments to the top management posts in the Central Public Sector Enterprises, functions under the administrative control of
  - (a) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
  - (b) Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
  - (c) Prime Minister's Office
  - (d) Competition Commission
- 84. Monitoring of the Members of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS) is the responsibility of
  - (a) the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha Secretariats
  - (b) the Ministry of Finance
  - (c) the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation
  - (d) the Ministry of Home Affairs
- 85. Assistance to institutions engaged in scientific work and to universities for advancement of study and research in nuclear sciences is the responsibility of
  - (a) Department of Atomic Energy
  - (b) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
  - (c) Ministry of Power
  - (d) Ministry of Science and Technology
- 86. Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT) is
  - (a) non-existent
  - (b) a private sector entity
  - (c) under the administrative control of different Ministries
  - (d) under the administrative control of Ministry of Communications

- 87. Entering into treaties and agreements with foreign countries relating to trade and commerce in food grains and other foodstuffs is the responsibility of
  - (a) Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
  - (b) Directorate General of Foreign Trade
  - (c) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
  - (d) Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 88. Serious Frauds Investigation Office functions under
  - (a) Ministry of Corporate Affairs
  - (b) Reserve Bank of India
  - (c) Central Bureau of Investigation
  - (d) Securities & Exchange Board of India
- 89. A non-governmental organisation wants to set up a chain of open air theatres in 50 rural across the entire country. Which one of the following Ministries should it approach with the proposal?
  - (a) Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
  - (b) Ministry of Culture
  - (c) Ministry of Rural Development
  - (d) Ministry of Home Affairs
- 90. Which one of the following is not under the purview of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region?
  - (a) The Sikkim Mining Corporation Limited
  - (b) Planning of road and inland waterways transport
  - (c) Border Roads Organisation
  - (d) North Eastern Council

- 91. Which one of the following statements 94. Consider the following statements: regarding Speaker Pro-tem is correct?
  - Speaker Pro-tem is elected by the Lok Sabha.
  - Speaker Pro-tem is appointed by the (b) President and signs the Roll of Members in Lok Sabha.
  - Speaker Pro-tem does not preside over (c) the first meeting of Lok Sabha.
  - (d) Speaker Pro-tem is appointed by the Prime Minister.
- Which one of the following statements 92. regarding Panel of Speaker/Chairman, Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha is correct?
  - (a) It is from the list of Panel of Chairman, Speaker/Vice President appoints the Chairman of various Parliamentary Committees.
  - (b) Panel of Speaker/Chairman of Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha is constituted by the President.
  - A member of the Panel of Speaker who (c) presides over the House while both the Speaker and Deputy Speaker are absent has the same powers of the Speaker while presiding over the House.
  - A Panel of Speaker is constituted for each session of Lok Sabha.
- 93. Consider the following statements:
  - 1. Making and subscribing oath is not a proceeding of the House if the person administering the oath is other than a Presiding officer.
  - Oath administered in a sitting is a part 2. of the proceedings of the House.
  - Oath cannot be taken by a member 3. outside the Chamber of Lok Sabha/Rajva Sabha.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- - A person becomes a Member of the 1. House from the date on which the person is declared elected by the Returning Officer.
  - A person becomes a Member of the 2. House only from the date on which the person makes and subscribes oath or affirmation.
  - 3. A Member cannot ask a question in the House unless he has taken oath and signed the Roll of Members in the House.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- 3 only (a)
- 1 and 3 only (b)
- (c) 1 and 2 only
- (d) 1, 2 and 3
- 95. Consider the following statements with regard to the Members of Parliament:
  - Nominated and elected Members get Nomination/Election certificate from the Returning Officer.
  - Nominated Member gets the Letter of Nomination from the Ministry of Law.
  - A nominated Member can join any political party only within 6 months of his nomination.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

- 96. Which one of the following statements is correct with regard to right of Members before taking oath in Lok Sabha?
  - (a) A Member can resign and seek leave of absence.
  - (b) A Member is entitled to sit and vote in the House.
  - (c) He is not entitled to receive salary.
  - (d) He can be elected or nominated as a Member of a Committee and can function as a Member of such committee.
- 97. Which one of the following statements is not correct with regard to leave of absence by MPs?
  - (a) If for a period of 60 days, an MP remains absent, without permission of the House, from all meetings thereof, his seat may be declared vacant by the House.
  - (b) in computing the period of sixty days, account is taken of any period during which the House is prorogued or is adjourned.
  - (c) The period of sixty days means a single unbroken period of sixty days.
  - (d) The constitutional provisions are only directory and not mandatory and seat may be declared vacant unless there is a contumacious disregard of duty as an MP.
- 98. Which one of the following statements is not correct with regard to Lok Sabha?
  - (a) President has the power to summon/prorogue Lok Sabha.
  - (b) Lok Sabha sits on such days as the Speaker may direct from time to time.
  - (c) Presence of Minister(s) is necessary for constituting a sitting of the House.
  - (d) A sitting of the House cannot be commenced unless there is quorum.

- 99. Department of Pharmaceuticals (Aushadh Vibhag) is a part of which one of the following Ministries?
  - (a) Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
  - (b) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
  - (c) Ministry of Science and Technology
  - (d) Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
- 100. Climate change is
  - (a) a positive good as ice-capped lands are clearing
  - (b) a negative good as sea water is rising
  - (c) a global negative externality caused by Green House Gas emissions
  - (d) a local positive externality caused by afforestation
- 101. In Economics, which one of the following is not an essential condition for existence of market?
  - (a) Product (goods or service)
  - (b) Buyers
  - (c) Sellers
  - (d) Place
- 102. According to results of Census 2011, among the top four populous metropolitans, literacy rate is highest in
  - (a) Mumbai
  - (b) Delhi
  - (c) Bengaluru
  - (d) Hyderabad

- 103. In the case of surrogacy, according to 106. Which one of the following Union Territories recommendations made by Law Commission of India, birth certificate would bear the name of
  - (a) biological mother carrying baby
  - (b) commissioning parents only
  - (c) commissioning mother and surrogate
  - (d) surrogate mother and her husband
- 104. A contract labour in India, according to Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, 1970 is
  - (a) hired, supervised. contracted remunerated by a contractor for the user enterprise
  - hired, supervised and contracted by a (b) contractor but remunerated by the user enterprise
  - (c) hired and supervised by a contractor but contracted and remunerated by the user enterprise
  - (d) hired and contracted by a contractor but supervised and remunerated by the user enterprise
- 105. Percentage of skilled workforce (with formal vocational training) to the total workforce (20 to 24 years age group) in India is
  - (a) less than 5%
  - (b) more than 5% but less than 10%
  - more than 10% but less than 15% (c)
  - (d) more than 15% but less than 20%

- has a Legislative Assembly?
  - (a) Puducherry
  - (b) Chandigarh
  - (c) Lakshadweep
  - (b) Daman and Diu
- 107. Which of the following statements relating to Fundamental Rights is not correct?
  - (a) The Fundamental Rights are guaranteed by the Constitution not only against the actions of Executive but also against that of the Legislature.
  - The Supreme Court strikes at the arbitrary action of the State.
  - (c) The Supreme Court has the jurisdiction to enforce fundamental rights against private bodies and individuals.
  - (d) The Supreme Court cannot exercise its jurisdiction suo motu or on the basis of PIL.
- 108. Which of the following statements relating to the Governor is not correct?
  - (a) The Governor has no diplomatic or military powers like the President.
  - (b) The Governor possesses executive, legislative and judicial powers analogous to those of the President.
  - the Governor has equal power with that (c) of the President to appoint judges of the State High Court.
  - The Governor has the power to (d) nominate one member of Anglo-Indian community to the Legislative Assembly, if he is satisfied that they are not adequately represented.

- 109. Which of the following statements is not 112. Conservation, development, management and correct?
  - (a) All executive action of the Government of a State shall be expressed to be taken in the name of the Chief Minister.
  - It is the duty of the Chief Minister to (b) communicate to the Governor of the State all the decisions of Council of Ministers relating to the administration of the State.
  - (c) The Governor makes rules for the more convenient transaction of the business of the Government of the State.
  - The validity of rules made by the (d) Governor shall not be called in question.
- 110. Which of the following statements is not correct?
  - (a) The Legislature of a State may, by law, establish a Contingency Fund in the nature of imprest.
  - (b) The Contingency Fund of the State shall be placed at the disposal of the Chief Minister of the State.
  - (c) such sums as may be determined by such law.
  - (d) The Contingency Fund is meant to enable advances to be made for the purpose of meeting unforeseen expenditure pending authorization of such expenditure by the Legislature.
- 111. All matters relating to survey to map, locate and assess living and non-living marine resources fall within the purview of which of the following?
  - (a) National Institute of Oceanography
  - (b) Ministry of Earth Sciences
  - Department of Animal (c) Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries
  - (d) Coast Guard Organisation

- abatement of pollution of rivers, excluding the river Ganga and its tributaries, is the responsibility of
  - (a) Ministry of Jal Shakti
  - (b) Ministry of Earth Sciences
  - (c) Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
  - Ministry of Science and Technology
- 113. Matters relating to Himalayan expeditions are handled by which one of the following Ministries?
  - (a) Ministry of Home Affairs
  - (b) Ministry of Human Resource Development
  - Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (c)
  - (d) Ministry of External Affairs
- 114. Matters related to which one of the following subjects are not handled by the Ministry of External Affairs?
  - (a) Notification regarding commencement or cessation of a state of war
  - (b) World Health Organisation
  - (c) Demarcation of the land frontiers of India
  - (d) Indian Council of Cultural Relations
- The fund shall be paid from time to time 115. Which one of the following statements is not correct with regard to adjournment in Lok Sabha?
  - The Speaker can call a sitting of the (a) House before the date or hour to which it has been adjourned or at any time after the House has been adjourned sine die.
  - (b) When the motion "that the House now adjourn" is being discussed, that is, from the hour the discussion on adjournment motion has commenced to the time the motion is disposed of. Speaker cannot adjourn the House for the day.
  - (c) The Speaker can extend the time of the House after taking sense of the House.
  - (d) The Speaker cannot adjourn the House sine die without taking the approval of the President.

## 116. Consider the following statements:

- The Financial Bills of category B if enacted and brought into operation, would involve expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of India.
- Financial Bills of category A can be introduced only in Lok Sabha.
- Financial Bill of category B require recommendation of the President for its introduction.

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
- 117. Which one of the following is not correct with regard to the Railway Convention Committee ?
  - (a) It is a Committee constituted by the Minister of Railways.
  - (b) it is an ad hoc Committee of Parliament to review the rate of dividend which is payable by the Railways to the general revenues.
  - (c) It suggests the level of appropriation to various Railway funds.
  - (d) Minister of Finance is a nominated member of the Railway Convention Committee.

- 118. Core CPI inflation is generally lower than headline CPI inflation because
  - (a) food inflation is generally higher than non-food inflation
  - (b) food prices fluctuate too widely over the year
  - (c) food prices are controlled by the Government
  - (d) share of food in consumption basket has been increasing over time
- 119. In the context of direct benefit transfers (DBT), the JAM is the abbreviation for
  - (a) Jandhan Yojana, Aadhar Yojana and Use of Mobile Techonology
  - (b) Janata Janardan Awas Money Transfer
  - (c) Jansewa Aasaan Monitoring
  - (d) Jandhan Yojana, Awas Yojana and MNREGA
- 120. The India Meteorological Department (IMD)
  has announced to set up the first
  'Thunderstorm Research Testbed' of the
  country in
  - (a) Odisha
  - (b) Andhra Pradesh
  - (c) Tamil Nadu
  - (d) West Bengal