

APSC Combined Competitive Examination (Prelims) 2026

General Studies – Paper I

English Questions (100)

1. 'Direct Air Capture' is an emerging technology. Which of the following is true about 'Direct Air Capture'?

- (A) It is a technology used to segregate carbon dioxide (CO₂) from the atmosphere for storage or other use
- (B) This technology enables us to capture CO₂ from atmosphere and release it into the ocean
- (C) This technology enables to chemically break down CO₂ from captured air into carbon and oxygen
- (D) None of the above

2. Which of the following statements about 'Green Climate Fund' is *not* true?

- (A) It is the largest climate finance in the world.
- (B) India receives funding for projects under 'Green Climate Fund'.
- (C) This fund was established within the framework of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.
- (D) The headquarters of 'Green Climate Fund' is in Geneva, Switzerland.

3. Consider the following statements about quantum computer (quantum computing) :

- 1. It is a rapidly advancing field that uses quantum mechanics to process information using 'qubits' instead of binary bits.
- 2. Many computer giants in the world are competing to produce working models of quantum computers.
- 3. 'Majorana 1' by Microsoft is the world's first quantum processor powered by topological qubits.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) 1 only
- (B) 1 and 2 only
- (C) 1, 2 and 3
- (D) None of the above

4. Which of the following statements about ongoing FIFA World Cup, 2026 (soccer) is/are true?

- 1. A total of 32 teams are taking part in the tournament.
- 2. USA, Canada and Mexico are jointly hosting the tournament.
- 3. It is the first time 3 nations are taking part in the FIFA World Cup.

Select the correct answer from the codes given below.

- (A) 1 only
 - (B) 2 and 3 only
 - (C) 1 and 2 only
 - (D) 1, 2 and 3
5. The 'Begram Ivories' can be dated between
- (A) 1st century CE or 2nd century CE
 - (B) 3rd century CE to 5th century CE
 - (C) 3rd century BCE to 1st century BCE
 - (D) 6th century CE to 7th century CE
6. The rock-cut caves in Udayagiri and Khandagiri Hills in Odisha belong to which of the following?
- (A) Mahayana Buddhism
 - (B) Hinayana Buddhism
 - (C) Jainism
 - (D) Ajivikas
7. The Banskhera inscription is associated with which of the following kings?
- (A) Ashoka
 - (B) Kanishka
 - (C) Harshavardhana
 - (D) Dharmapala
8. The ancient river Saraswati mentioned in the Rigveda is identified with which of the following rivers?
- (A) Ganga
 - (B) Yamuna
 - (C) Sutlej
 - (D) Ghaggar-Hakra
9. Which of the following inscriptions of early Assam was issued by Bhaskaravarman?
- (A) Doobi copper plates
 - (B) Nagajari stone inscriptions
 - (C) Tezpur copper plates
 - (D) Bargaon copper plates
10. With reference to the Indus Valley Civilization, consider the following pairs of ancient sites and their notable archaeological findings :
- List-I : a. Lothal; b. Kalibangan; c. Dholavira; d. Banawali

List-II : 1. Evidence of a ploughed field; 2. Remains of a large dockyard; 3. A terracotta replica of a plough; 4. Ten large-sized signs of the script

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

11. With reference to the contribution of Semsonsing Ingti, consider the following statements :

1. He played a crucial role as a co-opted member in the Bordoloi Sub-Committee for the inclusion of the Karbis under the Sixth Schedule.
2. He encouraged the scattered Karbi groups to settle in the Mikir Hills to acquire government facilities.
3. He advocated for the complete separation of Karbi Anglong from the State of Assam to form an independent Karbi State.
4. He is also known as the Father of Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

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

12. King Rudra Singha wanted to conquer Bengal and extend his territory because

1. he wanted to form a Hindu confederacy
2. he wanted to be the all-powerful supreme ruler in India
3. he wanted to include a part of the River Ganga in his kingdom
4. he wanted to take revenge upon the Mughals

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

13. Given below are two statements labelled as Assertion (A) and Reason (R) :

Assertion (A) : Ralph Fitch visited Koch Bihar in 1585 and met benevolent King Naranarayan as a benevolent monarch.

Reason (R) : Because according to him, Naranarayan established hospitals even for animals and birds and they did not kill any living creatures.

Which of the following options is correct?

- (A) Both the statements are true and (R) is the correct explanation of (A)
- (B) Both the statements are false
- (C) (A) is true but (R) is false
- (D) (R) is true but (A) is false

14. Match the following names in List-I with the Ahom rulers in List-II :

List-I : a. Supatpha; b. Sukhrungpha; c. Sutanpha; d. Suhitpongpha

List-II : 1. Rudra Singha; 2. Gadadhar Singha; 3. Gaurinath Singha; 4. Siva Singha

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

15. Which of the following statements about the play, *Nil Darpan* are true?

- 1. It was written in 1860.
- 2. Its author is Munshi Premchand.
- 3. Its author is Dinabandhu Mitra.
- 4. It portrayed the oppression of Bengal peasants by the European indigo planters.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

16. Who was the first propounder of the doctrine of 'passive resistance'?

- (A) Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- (B) Aurobindo Ghosh
- (C) Gopal Krishna Gokhale
- (D) Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi

17. Mahavira was considered to be the ____ Tirthankara.

- (A) 21st
- (B) 22nd
- (C) 23rd
- (D) 24th

18. Match the authors of List-I with their works in List-II :

List-I : a. Hema Saraswati; b. Bakul Kayastha; c. Kaviraj Chakraborty; d. Dutiram Hazarika

List-II : 1. Kali Bharat Buranji; 2. Prahlada Charita; 3. Kitabat Manjari; 4. Sankhachuda Vadha

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

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

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

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

19. The French traveller, Jean-Baptiste Chevalier visited ancient Assam during the reign of which Ahom ruler in mid-18th century? He visited the Ahom capital to establish trade.

(A) Rajeswar Singha

(B) Rudra Singha

(C) Pratap Singha

(D) Jayadhwaj Singha

20. Arrange the following rock systems of India in chronological order of formation :

1. Dharwar Rock System

2. Vindhyan Rock System

3. Archaean Rock System

4. Gondwana Rock System

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

(A) 1 → 3 → 2 → 4

(B) 3 → 2 → 1 → 4

(C) 1 → 2 → 3 → 4

(D) 3 → 1 → 2 → 4

21. Consider the following pairs :

1. Alluvial Soil : Brahmaputra and Barak Valleys

2. Red Soil : Karbi Anglong and North Cachar Hills

3. Laterite Soil : Meghalaya Plateau fringe areas

4. Sandy Soil : River Islands (Chars) and riverbeds

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

(A) 1, 3 and 4 only

(B) 2 and 3 only

(C) 1, 2 and 4 only

(D) 1, 2, 3 and 4

22. Which of the following pairs regarding the festivals of North-East India are *incorrectly* matched?

1. Moatsu Festival : Nagaland
2. Bwisagu Festival : Meghalaya
3. Sangai Festival : Manipur
4. Thabal Chongba : Mizoram

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) 1 and 3
(B) 2 and 4
(C) 2 and 3
(D) 3 and 4

23. Which of the following statements about the languages of India are correct?

1. India has 22 languages listed in the Eighth Schedule.
2. Tamil is the oldest surviving classical language in India.
3. Hindi is the mother tongue for over 50% of India's population.
4. Sanskrit is recognized as a classical language but is spoken as a mother tongue by less than 0.1% of the population.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

24. Arrange the following tribes of Assam in descending order of population (2011 census) :

1. Mishing
2. Rabha
3. Bodo
4. Karbi

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) 2 → 3 → 4 → 1
(B) 3 → 1 → 4 → 2
(C) 4 → 1 → 2 → 3
(D) 1 → 2 → 3 → 4

25. Which of the following statements concerning location of countries in relation to the equator is/are *not* correct?

1. The equator passes through Gabon, Congo, Uganda and Kenya.

2. Malaysia, Singapore, Philippines and Brunei are located on the north of equator.
3. The equator passes through Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela and Guyana.
4. The equator does not pass through Maldives and Indonesia.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

26. Which of the following rivers that flow into Assam and originate from Bhutan?

- (A) Barak, Feni, Aie, Kulsi
- (B) Beki, Raidak, Sankosh, Manas
- (C) Kapili, Digaru, Jinjiram, Kulsi
- (D) Dawki, Tuivai, Irang, Feni

27. Consider the following statements :

1. Marat Longri Wildlife Sanctuary is situated in Dima Hasao district of Assam.
2. Dehing Patkai National Park is known as the Amazon of the East.
3. Sikhna Jwhlwao National Park is the 8th National Park of Assam.
4. Manas is the only biosphere reserve of Assam.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

28. Match the following dress forms (in List-II) with their corresponding communities of Assam (in List-I) :

List-I (Community) : a. Karbi; b. Dimasa; c. Bodo; d. Rabha

List-II (Dress form) : 1. Kambang; 2. Pokok; 3. Dokhona; 4. Rijamphain

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

29. Match the following wildlife sanctuaries (in List-I) with their corresponding features (in List-II) :

List-I : a. Pobitora; b. Hollongapar; c. Deepor Beel; d. Chakrashila

List-II : 1. Golden langur; 2. High rhino density; 3. Ramsar Site; 4. Gibbon habitat

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

30. Which of the following pairs are *incorrectly* matched?

Island/Volcano — Country

- 1. Hawaii — USA
- 2. Mount Fuji — Philippines
- 3. Barren Island — India
- 4. Mayon — Indonesia

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) 1 and 2
- (B) 1 and 3
- (C) 2 and 4
- (D) 2 and 3

31. Consider the following statements :

- 1. The Strait of Hormuz is a waterway connecting the Persian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman.
- 2. The Panama Canal connects the Atlantic Ocean (via the Caribbean Sea) to the Pacific Ocean.
- 3. The Karakum Canal is a major irrigation and water supply canal located in Iran.
- 4. The Indira Gandhi Canal originates from the Harike Barrage in Punjab and flows through Rajasthan supplying water to the Thar Desert.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

32. Consider the following statements :

- 1. The monsoon winds always blow from land to sea during summer.
- 2. The Bay of Bengal branch brings rainfall to North-East India.
- 3. El Nino leads to weaker monsoon rainfall in India.
- 4. Tamil Nadu receives most of its rainfall during the North-East monsoon.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

33. With reference to the forest cover of India, consider the following statements :

1. Madhya Pradesh has the largest forest cover in terms of area.
 2. Mizoram has more than 80% forest cover.
 3. India State of Forest Report (ISFR), 2023 reports that India's total forest cover is about 21.76% of the country's total geographical area.
 4. India's forest cover is unevenly distributed across States.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

34. Which of the following pairs are correctly matched?

Ocean Current — Ocean Name

1. Gulf Stream — Atlantic Ocean
2. Kuroshio — Pacific Ocean
3. Benguela — Indian Ocean
4. Peru — Southern Ocean

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

35. The Chief Minister's Green Fellowship was launched in Assam in 2024-25. What are some of the objectives of the programme?

1. Creating skilled and environmentally conscious youth
2. Providing internship on 'Environmental Sustainability and Innovative Solution' for select youth in a reputed foreign institution/university
3. Facilitating legislative policy training for select youth
4. Enabling entry of youths from marginalized communities into environmental policy making

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) 1, 2 and 3 only

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

36. Which of the following statements are correct about the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Amendment Bill, 2026?

1. The Bill has made some changes in the definition of a transgender person.
2. The Bill makes the recommendation of a designated medical board mandatory for the District Magistrate to issue a certificate of identity to a transgender person.
3. The Bill provides for reservation of transgender person into educational institutions.
4. The Bill expands the ambit of offences against transgender persons and increases the quantum of punishment too.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

37. Identify the *false* statements about the provision of lateral entry into the Civil Services in India :

1. Individuals with domain expertise and a proven track record in relevant fields from the private sector, autonomous bodies, or public sector undertakings are eligible to apply for these positions.
2. Lateral entry must follow the existing norms and criteria of reservation policies being practised.
3. These lateral entrants are appointed on contract for 3 years, which can be extended to a maximum of 5 years.
4. Women are given special emphasis under the system of lateral entries.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) 2 and 3
- (B) 2 and 4
- (C) 3 and 4
- (D) 1 and 4

38. Which of the following statements is correct about NITI Aayog?

- (A) One of the objectives of NITI Aayog is to foster cooperative federalism.
- (B) NITI Aayog looks after the allocation of resources to the States, specially from the point of view of infrastructural needs.
- (C) Atal Innovative Mission (AIM) is a flagship initiative launched by NITI Aayog.

(D) The Governing Council of NITI Aayog comprises full-time members of NITI Aayog and special invitees also.

39. Match the following schemes (in List-I) with the key focus areas (in List-II) :

List-I : a. Guru Dakshina Scheme; b. Mukhyamantri Jibon Prerana Scheme; c. Governor Assam's Pratibha Protsahan Yojana; d. Ornnodoi Scheme

List-II : 1. Poverty alleviation; 2. Financial assistance to non-provincial teachers; 3. Graduate students; 4. Civil Service aspirants

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

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

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

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

40. Which of the following facts about the National Action Plan on Climate Change (NAPCC) of India are *not* true?

1. The original plan comprised of nine key missions.
2. National Rainwater Harvesting Mission is one of the initiatives under NAPCC.
3. Sustaining the Himalayan ecosystem is one of the core missions under the plan.
4. NAPCC goals are in alignment with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

(A) 1 and 3

(B) 1 and 2

(C) 2 and 3

(D) 2 and 4

41. Consider the following statements about the institutional mechanisms under India's Act East Policy :

1. East Asia Summit (EAS) serves as the premier forum for strategic dialogue in the Asia-Pacific region.
2. Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport Project (KMTP) involves sea, river, and road routes aiming to boost trade and improve logistical access to India's North-East.
3. Forum for India-Pacific Islands Cooperation (FIPIC) extends India's reach to the Pacific Island nations.
4. Mekong-Ganga Cooperation connects India with islands of South-East Asian countries.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

(A) 1 and 4

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

42. Place the following events in the ascending order from the time of their commencement :

1. Operation Meghdoot
2. Operation Vijay
3. Operation Smiling Buddha
4. Galwan Valley Standoff

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) 2 → 3 → 1 → 4
- (B) 1 → 2 → 3 → 4
- (C) 2 → 3 → 4 → 1
- (D) 1 → 3 → 2 → 4

43. Which of the following statements regarding the rules and provisions of the Assam Panchayat Act, 1994 are correct?

1. The Act establishes a three-tier system.
2. The Act provides reservation of seats and offices for the President/Vice President of Zila Parishad and Anchalik Panchayat for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and women.
3. The Act outlines specific, mandatory revenue sharing from Haat (market) sales.
4. The latest amendment to the Assam Panchayat Act, 1994 has taken place in the form of the Assam Panchayat (Amendment) Act, 2025.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

44. Match List-I with List-II :

List-I : a. Justice Soumitra Saikia Commission; b. Justice Anima Hazarika Commission; c. Justice K. N. Saikia Commission; d. Hari Shankar Brahma Committee

List-II : 1. Coal mining tragedy in Dima Hasao district; 2. Death of Zubeen Garg; 3. Protection of land rights of indigenous people; 4. Extra-judicial investigation

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

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

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

45. In the 2025-26 Budget, the Indian Government sought to promote AVGC—animation, visual effects, gaming and comics, as part of the country's

(A) skill industry

(B) orange economy

(C) gig economy

(D) new skill economy

46. The President of India summons, prorogues and dissolves the legislature. What does prorogue mean?

(A) To terminate a sitting

(B) To terminate the session

(C) To adjourn the sitting sine die

(D) None of the above

47. According to the Tenth Schedule of the Constitution of India, as amended by the Constitution (Ninety-First Amendment) Act, 2003, a merger between political parties shall be exempted from disqualification on the ground of defection only if

(A) at least 1/3rd of the members of the legislative party opts to form a new fraction

(B) a simple majority of the members of the legislative party approves the merger

(C) not less than 2/3rds of the members of the legislative party agree to such a merger

(D) the merger is ratified by a unanimous vote of the legislative party

48. With reference to the Supreme Court of India, consider the following statements and identify the *incorrect* answer from the options given below.

(A) The Supreme Court of India was established under Article 124 of the Constitution of India.

(B) It came into existence on 26th January, 1950 with the commencement of the Constitution.

(C) The original Constitution provided for one Chief Justice and seven puisne judges.

(D) The proceedings of the Supreme Court are conducted only in Hindi.

49. Consider the following statements regarding the Supreme Court of India's proceedings on February 03, 2026 involving Meta platforms and WhatsApp :

Assertion (A) : The Court issued a stern warning to Meta platforms, characterising their data sharing practices under the 2021 Privacy Policy as a 'decent way of committing theft of private information'.

Reason (R) : The Court held that the 'take-it-or-leave-it' approach to user agreements ensures that digital consent is efficiently gathered through an implicit and assumed acceptance of terms.

Which of the following options is correct?

- (A) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is the correct explanation of (A)
- (B) Both (A) and (R) are true but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A)
- (C) (A) is true but (R) is false
- (D) (A) is false but (R) is true

50. According to the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023, besides the High Court and Courts constituted under other laws, which of the following is *not* classified as one of the Criminal Courts in the States?

- (A) Courts of Session
- (B) Judicial Magistrates of the First Class
- (C) Lok Adalats
- (D) Executive Magistrates

51. A land customs station is a designated place on an international land border where customs and immigration formalities for movement of goods and people are carried out. North-East India shares boundaries with Bhutan, China, Myanmar and Bangladesh, and has a number of such land customs stations. Indicate the correct matching from the Lists given below :

List-I (Name of Land Customs Station) — List-II (State where located)

- 1. Hatisar — Assam
- 2. Sutarkandi — Assam
- 3. Moreh — Nagaland
- 4. Borsora — Manipur

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

52. The criteria for identifying Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) are

- 1. pre-agricultural level of technology
- 2. low level of literacy
- 3. economic backwardness
- 4. a declining or stagnant population

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) 1 and 2 only

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

53. The Indian Constitution includes special provisions under Part XXI, Articles 371A to 371H to safeguard the unique cultural, social and customary practices of certain North-Eastern States. Match the Articles in List-I which apply to specific North-Eastern States in List-II :

List-I : a. Article 371A; b. Article 371B; c. Article 371C; d. Article 371G

List-II : 1. Assam; 2. Manipur; 3. Mizoram; 4. Nagaland

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

54. Match the schemes pertaining to Assam in List-I with their provisions in List-II :

List-I : a. Orunodoi Scheme; b. Assam Arogya Nidhi (AAN) Scheme; c. Swahid Kushal Konwar Sarbajanan Briddha Pension Achoni; d. Kanaklata Mahila Sabalakaran Yojana

List-II : 1. A pension scheme for senior citizens covering all eligible individuals in the State; 2. A flagship scheme under the Assam State Rural Livelihoods Mission aiming to generate sustainable livelihood for women in rural areas by forming Self-Help Groups (SHGs); 3. A major poverty alleviation programme that provides monthly financial assistance to poor households through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT); 4. Provides financial assistance for the treatment of serious diseases and injuries, including those caused by natural or man-made disasters for families with an annual income of less than Rs. 5 lakh

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

55. The Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council comprises which of the following members?

- (A) The Prime Minister of India, Union Finance Minister, Union Minister of State for Finance, Finance Ministers of all States and Union Territories with legislatures
- (B) Union Finance Minister, Union Minister of State for Finance, Finance Ministers of all States and Union Territories with legislatures

- (C) Union Finance Minister, Economic Advisor to the Prime Minister of India, Union Home Minister, Chief Ministers of all States and Union Territories
(D) Union Finance Minister and Chief Ministers of all States and Union Territories

56. Which of the following Ramsar Sites are located in North-East India?

1. Tampara Lake
2. Pala Wetland
3. Ansupa Lake
4. Rudrasagar Lake

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

57. The concept of sustainable development was popularized by

- (A) the Brundtland Commission
(B) the World Trade Organization
(C) the Club of Rome
(D) the UN Environment Programme

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

1. Many economists argue that it is weak institutional structures that are fundamental cause of underdevelopment.
2. Institutions are the humanly devised constraints that shape human interactions.
3. Economic institutions influence the structure of economic incentives in the society.
4. Extractive institutions create 'vicious circles' where poor governance, property rights violations, and rent-seeking hinder long-term economic development and investor confidence.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

59. Which of the following pairs is/are *incorrectly* matched?

1. Basic Needs Approach : International Labour Organization
2. Capability Approach : Amartya Sen
3. Human Capital Approach : Gary Becker and Theodore Schultz

4. Human Development Approach : International Monetary Fund

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

60. Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana aims at creating what opportunity in urban areas?

- 1. Self-employment
- 2. Skill training
- 3. Livelihood
- 4. Wage employment

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

61. Arrange the following in chronological order of their constitution by the Government of India to define poverty line :

- 1. Alagh Committee
- 2. Tendulkar Committee
- 3. Lakdawala Committee
- 4. Rangarajan Committee

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) 1 → 3 → 2 → 4
- (B) 1 → 2 → 4 → 3
- (C) 1 → 2 → 3 → 4
- (D) 4 → 1 → 2 → 3

62. Assam State Rural Livelihoods Mission Society (ASRLMS) is implementing the DAY-NRLM in the State since

- (A) 11th November, 2011
- (B) 11th December, 2011
- (C) 11th November, 2013
- (D) 11th November, 2014

- 63.** NIPUN Bharat Mission is associated with
- (A) the achievement of Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN)
 - (B) women empowerment
 - (C) skill formation
 - (D) livelihood generation
- 64.** The Stand-Up India Scheme specifically targets inclusive entrepreneurship among
- (A) Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes and women
 - (B) Government employees and retired personnel
 - (C) person with disability (PWD) and women
 - (D) economically weaker section and women
- 65.** A critical challenge faced by social sector situations like PM-KISAN and PMAY in achieving complete inclusive coverage is
- (A) a lack of political will to implement the schemes
 - (B) difficulties in accurately identifying and targetting eligible beneficiaries due to land record complexities, exclusion errors, and a lack of digital literacy
 - (C) universal rejection of the scheme by the targetted population
 - (D) a lack of trained administrative staff in rural areas
- 66.** Choose the correct choice of scientist and the related discovery.
- (A) Charles Robert Darwin : Taxonomy
 - (B) Edward Osborne Wilson : Natural Selection
 - (C) Carolus Linnaeus : Biodiversity
 - (D) Norman Myers : Biodiversity Hot spots
- 67.** The most critical pathway of industrial pollution badly affecting ecosystem is
- (A) direct emission of gases
 - (B) noise pollution from machinery
 - (C) secondary deposition into soil and waterbodies
 - (D) visual landscape alteration
- 68.** Tropical rainforests in India are mostly distributed in
- (A) Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim
 - (B) Sikkim, West Bengal, Bihar
 - (C) Odisha, Jharkhand, Bihar
 - (D) Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland
- 69.** Why is species diversity on the Earth highest in the tropical region?
- (A) Very few predators
 - (B) There is no inter- and intra-specific competition in the tropical region

(C) Stable climatic conditions and receiving high solar energy which contributes to greater diversity and productivity

(D) High variation in environmental conditions exhibiting extreme cold and extreme hot conditions which provide favourable ecosystem for high species diversity

70. Match the following species (in List-I) with their correct conservation status (in List-II) :

List-I (Species) : a. One-horned rhinoceros (*Rhinoceros unicornis*); b. White-winged duck (*Asarcornis scutulata*); c. Golden langur (*Trachypithecus geei*); d. Rhesus macaque (*Macaca mulatta*)

List-II (IUCN Conservation Status) : 1. Endangered; 2. Least concern; 3. Critically endangered; 4. Vulnerable

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

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

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

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

71. The Union Government has designated various waterways in India as National Waterways under the National Waterways Act, 2016. The National Waterway 2 (two) connects which stretch of rivers?

(A) Dhubri—Sadiya on River Brahmaputra

(B) Lakhimpur—Bhanga on River Barak

(C) Umngot (Dawki) River

(D) Dhansiri River

72. How many biogeographic zones and provinces are there in India?

(A) 10 biogeographic zones and 26 provinces

(B) 10 biogeographic zones and 22 provinces

(C) 12 biogeographic zones and 24 provinces

(D) 26 biogeographic zones and 10 provinces

73. Which of the following GI-tagged fruits is *incorrectly* paired with its State?

(A) Kaji Nemu : Assam

(B) Tamenglong Orange : Manipur

(C) Memong Narang : Nagaland

(D) Khasi Mandarin : Meghalaya

74. What is Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS)?

(A) Deep understanding of human evolution, anthropocene and infrastructure development

- (B) Conserving an ecological balance by avoiding depletion of natural resources of India
- (C) Body of knowledge and spiritual belief that evolves through adaptive process and is transmitted orally through cultural transmission
- (D) Traditional and holistic wisdom, practices and knowledge developed in India

75. According to the India State of Forest Report, 2023, which North-Eastern State has the highest percentage of forest cover in relation to its total geographical area?

- (A) Manipur
- (B) Assam
- (C) Mizoram
- (D) Arunachal Pradesh

76. Consider the following statements about LPG (Liquefied Petroleum Gas) :

1. It consists mainly of methane.
 2. Ethyl mercaptan is added to it for leak detection.
 3. It burns with a blue flame.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

77. Which of the following are the applications of 'Ultrasonic waves'?

1. Cleaning parts located in hard-to-reach places
 2. Detecting cracks and flaws in metal blocks
 3. Echocardiography
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

78. Which of the following is/are the reason(s) for using 'mercury' in thermometers?

1. It does not stick to the glass tube.
 2. It is a good conductor of heat.
 3. It is opaque and shining.
 4. It has a high boiling point.
- Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) 1 and 2 only

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

79. Semiconductors are the foundation of

- (A) computers and smartphones, integrated circuits (chips), electric bulbs, torch batteries
- (B) computers and smartphones, integrated circuits (chips), transistors, solar bulbs, LEDs
- (C) computer and smartphones, gramophone records, water filter candles
- (D) integrated circuits (chips), corrugated roof panels, metal detectors

80. The refractive index of ice is 1.31 and that of water is 1.33. Which of the following statements is in agreement of the above data?

1. The speed of light is greater in ice than in water.
2. The speed of light is same in ice and water.
3. The ratio of speed of light in air and that in water is equal to 1.33.
4. The speed of light in air is 1.31 times the speed of light in ice.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

81. Which day is celebrated annually on 23rd October from 6:02 a.m. to 6:02 p.m.?

- (A) Mole Day
- (B) Pi Day
- (C) Tau Day
- (D) Bicycle Day

82. The mass of an object is 6 kg. What would be its weight when measured on the surface of the Moon?

- (A) 9.8 N
- (B) 6 N
- (C) 58.8 N
- (D) 15.8 N

83. Oozing of water droplets from tips or edges of leaves, usually at night, is called

- (A) transpiration
- (B) guttation

- (C) diffusion
- (D) evaporation

84. Which of the following statements are best related to LACHIT-1?

1. It is an AI-based drone interceptor.
2. It was a satellite launched aboard PSLV-C62 mission.
3. It was a student-developed experimental satellite built in Assam.
4. It is a supercomputer installed in IIT, Guwahati.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) 1 and 2
- (B) 1 and 3
- (C) 2 and 3
- (D) 3 and 4

85. Assamese language is recognized as a classical language in 2024. In this respect, consider the following statements :

1. The recognition came from Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL), Mysuru.
2. The recognition enables to establish a Central University for Assamese Language.
3. The recognition facilitates the establishment of an Advanced Centre for Classical Assamese Language.
4. As a result of the recognition, Assam Sahitya Sabha will be receiving financial grant from the Government of India directly.

Select the correct statement(s) from above using the codes given below.

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

86. Match the monuments mentioned in the left with their places in the right :

Monuments : a. Rock-cut temple; b. Bhubaneswari temple; c. Mahabhairab temple; d. Ghanashyam temple (Dol)

Places : 1. Joysagar; 2. Tezpur; 3. Maibong; 4. Guwahati

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

87. Which distinction did Mayank Chakraborty achieve in 2026 for the first time for Assam and North-East India?

- (A) Chess Grandmaster
- (B) All England Open Badminton Champion
- (C) Wimbledon Junior Boys' Champion in Tennis
- (D) Played for India in Under 19 T20 World Cup

88. The monumental work compiled and edited by Sir G. A. Grierson and published in 1904 is popularly known as LSI. What is the full form of LSI?

- (A) Languages Survey of India
- (B) Linguistic Survey of India
- (C) Lingual Survey of India
- (D) Languages and Speeches of India

89. Consider the names of former Chief Minister of Assam :

1. Mahendra Mohan Choudhury
2. Jogendra Nath Hazarika
3. Kesab Chandra Gogoi
4. Anwara Taimur

Who among them were once the Speaker of Legislative Assembly of Assam too?
Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

90. Which of the following civilian honours was/were awarded to Dr. Bhupen Hazarika during his lifetime?

1. Padma Shri
2. Padma Bhushan
3. Padma Vibhushan
4. Bharat Ratna

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

91. Match the names of the books in List-I with the authors in List-II :

List-I : a. A Comprehensive History of Assam; b. The Comprehensive History of Assam; c. Assam in the Days of the Company; d. The Tai and the Tai Kingdoms

List-II : 1. Dr. Surya Kumar Bhuyan; 2. Padmeswar Gogoi; 3. Swarnalata Baruah; 4. Heramba Kanta Borpujari

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

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

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

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

92. With regard to the Strait of Hormuz, consider the following statements :

1. Both USA and Iran share the ownership of the Strait of Hormuz.
2. Both Iran and Oman have geographical control over the Strait of Hormuz due to their proximity to the Strait.
3. The USA, Israel, Iran War (2026) is being fought for the control of the Strait of Hormuz.
4. It is a waterway between the Persian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman.

Select the correct statement(s) using the codes given below.

(A) 1 and 2 only

(B) 1, 2 and 3

(C) 2 and 4

(D) 3 only

93. Match the dance forms mentioned in List-I with the ethnic communities mentioned in List-II :

List-I : a. Farkanti Dance; b. Bahuwa Dance; c. Wangala Dance; d. Langkhun Dance

List-II : 1. Garo; 2. Tiwa; 3. Rabha; 4. Sonowal Kachari

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

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

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

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

94. Match the Samhati of the Neo-Vaishnavism of Assam given in List-I with the name of the Sattrā belonging to the particular Samhati from List-II :

List-I : a. Brahma Samhati; b. Purush Samhati; c. Nika Samhati; d. Kaal Samhati

List-II : 1. Narowa Sattrā; 2. Kamalabari Sattrā; 3. Auniati Sattrā; 4. Mayamara Sattrā

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

95. Match the movements in List-I with the personality or organization spearheading them in List-II :

List-I : a. Chipko Movement; b. Narmada Bachao Andolan; c. Appiko Movement; d. Jungle Bachao Andolan

List-II : 1. Tribes of Singhbhum; 2. Panduranga Hegde; 3. Sunderlal Bahuguna; 4. Medha Patkar and Baba Amte

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

96. Match the Indian Classic mentioned in List-I with its author from List-II :

List-I : a. Gora; b. The Guide; c. Devdas; d. Godan

List-II : 1. Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay; 2. Munshi Premchand; 3. R. K. Narayan; 4. Rabindranath Tagore

Select the correct match using the codes given below.

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

97. Following are some of the tributaries of the Brahmaputra. Classify them into two groups—(i) which are on the North Bank and (ii) which are on the South Bank of the Brahmaputra.

1. Kolong
2. Bargang
3. Aie
4. Krishnai
5. Belsiri
6. Manah
7. Disang
8. Dikrong

- 9. Jhanji
- 10. Kakodonga

Select the correct clusters given below.

- (A) On the North Bank: 1, 3, 5, 8, 9 — On the South Bank: 2, 4, 6, 7, 10
- (B) On the North Bank: 3, 5, 7, 9, 10 — On the South Bank: 1, 2, 4, 6, 8
- (C) On the North Bank: 3, 4, 9, 1, 2 — On the South Bank: 5, 6, 7, 8, 10
- (D) On the North Bank: 2, 3, 5, 6, 8 — On the South Bank: 1, 4, 7, 9, 10

98. Consider the following statements :

- 1. The United Nations Security Council reflects contemporary geopolitical realities.
- 2. The G20 includes countries representing a major share of global GDP and population.
- 3. IMF provides long-term development financing to low-income countries.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

99. During the 17th BRICS Summit held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in 2025, Prime Minister of India, Narendra Modi, made certain suggestions as listed below :

- 1. Making the supply chain of critical minerals secure and resilient
- 2. Promoting responsible use of AI
- 3. Establishing a unified BRICS military force for regional security
- 4. Setting up a science and research repository

Select the correct suggestions using the codes given below.

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

100. Consider the following :

- 1. India imports more than 85% of crude oil.
- 2. Russia is the single largest supplier of crude oil to India.
- 3. India's strategic petroleum reserves can cover about 9 days emergency requirement of the country.
- 4. The oil marketing companies also separately maintain a reserve of about 2 months requirement of the country.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

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