

PRELIMS TEST SERIES 2023 General Studies Test - 8

TOPICS COVERED

INDIAN ECONOMY

- Economic Survey
- Budget
- Various Economic Reports and Indices

GEOGRAPHY

- Economic Geography
- Social Geography Demography

RELATED CURRENT AFFAIRS

- Which of the following is / are true about Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS)
 - ECLGS was rolled out in 2020 to provide unsecured loans to MSMEs as part of the Aatmanirbhar package
 - 2. ECLGS is under the control of the Ministry of Commerce

Choose the correct answer

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above
- Which of the following is **not** a part of current account in BOP
 - a) Remittances
 - b) External commercial borrowings
 - c) Crude oil
 - d) Gold
- 3. When was the first Economic Survey of India presented?
 - a) 1947-48
 - b) 1950-51
 - c) 1990-1991
 - d) 2014-15
- 4. Which of the following is/ are true about inflation
 - During FY23, 'food & beverages' 'clothing & footwear' and 'fuel & light' were the major contributors to headline inflation
 - 2. Rural-Urban Inflation Differential has Increased

Choose the correct answer

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above
- 5. Consider the following statements
 - 1. The share of expenditure on social services in the total expenditure of the Government has increased to 26.6 per cent in FY23
 - 2. Fifteenth Finance Commission had recommended that public health expenditure should be increased in a progressive manner to reach 2.5 per cent of GDP by 2025.

Choose the correct answer

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2

- d) None of the above
- 6. Which of the following is/are true about TRANSFORMATION OF ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS PROGRAMME
 - a) launched in January 2010
 - 5) 75 Aspirational Districts (ADs) across 28 States/UTs have been identified for development
 - focus is to raise living standards of its citizens and ensuring inclusive growth
 - d) All the above
- 7. Consider the following
 - Aadhaar, a 12-digit unique identification number provides a digital identity to the citizens of India
 - 2. It is an essential tool for social delivery Choose the correct answer
 - a) Only 1
 - b) Only 2
 - c) Both 1 and 2
 - d) None of the above
- Which portal enables community and volunteers/organisations to interact and connect directly with the Government and aided schools of their choice and share their knowledge and skills.
 - a) Vikas
 - b) MITRA
 - c) Vidyanjali
 - d) CPGRAM
- 9. What was the central theme of Economic Survey 2022-23?
 - a) Economic recovery from pandemic
 - b) COVID-19 warriors
 - c) Rural Development
 - d) Healthcare workers
- 10. The term 'Reverse Flipping', recently used in economic survey 2022-23, refers to:
 - a) Companies showing profits in offshore location to evade taxation
 - b) Companies misusing inverted duty structure
 - c) Indian Companies transferring ownership to an overseas entity
 - d) Companies shifting their domicile back to India

- 11. India declared the Net Zero Pledge to achieve a net zero emissions goal by:
 - a) 2045
 - b) 2050
 - c) 2060
 - d) 2070
- 12. Consider the following statements regarding Balance of Payment:
 - 1. The Current Account Deficit (CAD) has increased due rise in oil prices.
 - 2. The surplus of the capital account was higher than the CAD.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 13. As per economic survey (FY 2023) which of the following is/ are observed as GROWTH DRIVERS of Indian economy
 - 1. Capex Thrust
 - 2. Stronger Balance Sheets of Corporates
 - 3. Growth in Housing Market and Construction
 - 4. Universal Vaccination

Choose the correct option

- a) only 1 and 2
- b) only 1 and 3
- c) only 1, 2 and 3
- d) All the above
- 14. According to economic survey 2022-23, which of the following improved Trust-based Governance in India
 - a) Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC)
 - b) Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act (RERA)
 - c) Companies Act of 2013
 - d) All the above
- 15. Which of the following is **not** a part of TAX REVENUES
 - a) Income tax
 - b) Excise duty
 - c) Disinvestment
 - d) Corporation tax
- 16. Consider the following statements
 - 1. Insurance penetration in India increased steadily from 2.7% to 4.2% in 2021

2. Insurance density in India has increased from US\$11.1 in 2001 to US\$91 in 2021, reflecting the fast expansion of the insurance market in the country.

Choose the correct answer

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above
- 17. Which is an economic scenario where a peculiar combination of low growth and rising inflation leads to high unemployment
 - a) Stagflation
 - b) Recession
 - c) Deflation
 - d) Depreciation
- 18. Which three indicators are used in the Human Development Index (HDI)?
 - 1. Standard of living
 - 2. Education
 - 3. Life expectancy
 - 4. Condition of environment

Choose the correct answer

- a) Only 1,2 and 4
- b) Only 1, 2, and 3
- c) Only 1 and 2
- d) All of the above
- 19. E- Shram portal is
 - Developed by Ministry of Labour and Employment
 - 2. First-ever national database of unorganised workers, excluding migrant workers.

Choose the correct answer

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above
- 20. Consider the following statements
 - 1. Sector wise share of total employment is high in manufacturing
 - 2. Gender-wise, 31.8 percent of the total estimated employed are women and 68.2 per cent are men

Choose the correct answer

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2

- d) None of the above
- 21. Which Central Sector Scheme empower street vendors by extending working capital loans of up to `10,000 with a one-year tenure.
 - a) PMMY
 - b) PMSVANIDHI
 - c) PMSBY
 - d) PMJJY
- 22. Consider the following statements with reference to Economic Survey:
 - 1. It is an annual document presented by the finance minister.
 - 2. The report underscores the condition of different sectors of the economy.
 - 3. The Economic Survey suggests reforms that should be undertaken to accelerate growth.

Choose the correct option:

- a) Only 2
- b) Both 2 and 3
- c) Both 1 and 3
- d) All of the above
- 23. Under Economic survey 2022-23, what is expected fiscal deficit in 2023-24?
 - a) 5.4 Percent
 - b) 6.4 Percent
 - c) 7.4 Percent
 - d) 7.7 Percent
- 24. Consider the following statements regarding environmental issues:
 - 1. India achieved the goal of doubling the tiger numbers, four years before the targeted year 2022.
 - 2. A ban was imposed on use of identified single-use plastic items.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 25. Which of the following is correct about Economic Reforms-1991
 - a) Trade and investments were liberalised
 - b) Exchange rate was made flexible
 - c) Entry of private sector firms by ending the public sector
 - d) All the above

- 26. Consider the following statements
 - 1. Registration of unorganised workers -Udayam portal
 - 2. Credit support to street vendors-UMANG

Choose the correct answer

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above
- 27. Gujarat International Finance Tec-City (GIFT
 - 1. India's first and only International Financial Services Centre (IFSC)
 - 2. It consists of a (SEZ), which houses India's first International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) and an exclusive Domestic Tariff Area (DTA).

Choose the correct answer

- John 1 and 2
 d) None of the above

 Consider 28. Consider the following statements on Wholesale Price Inflation
 - 1. WPI-based inflation remained low during the Covid-19 period.
 - Wholesale inflation rate climbed to about 13.0 per cent in FY22.

Choose the correct answer

- a) Only 1
- b) Only 2
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above
- 29. What is the India's rank in human development index report (2022)
 - a) 119
 - b) 52
 - c) 129
 - d) 132
- 30. Which of the following SDG goal talks about quality education
 - a) Goal 3
 - b) Goal 4
 - c) Goal 5
 - d) Goal 6

- 31. Which of the following is /are true about MGNREGS
 - a) Geo tagging of assets
 - b) Mandatory expenditure on agriculture and allied activities
 - Providing at least 100 days of guaranteed wage employment in a financial year to every household.
 - d) All the above
- 32. The Economic Survey 2022-23 projected the GDP growth for FY23 at ____.
 - a) 8 to 8.5%
 - b) 9 to 9.2%
 - c) 7.1 to 7.3%
 - d) 6% to 6.8%
- 33. JALDOOT App related to:
 - a) Provide warning against flood.
 - b) Provide warning against flood at coastal zones.
 - c) Provide information for flood intensity.
 - d) Provide information for wells water level.
- 34. Which sector is highest FDI Equity Inflows during April-September 2022?
 - a) Service
 - b) Software and Hardware
 - c) Trading
 - d) Automobiles
- 35. Consider the following statements about Indian economy
 - 1. Per capita income has more than doubled in the past nine years.
 - 2. Indian economy has increased in size from being 10th to 4th largest in the world in the past nine years.

Which of the above statements is/are correct

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 36. Consider the following statements about the revised FRBM targets:
 - The fiscal deficit target of 6.4 per cent is retained in the revised estimate for FY2022-23 and is reduced to 5.9 per cent for the next fiscal.
 - 2. Fiscal deficit would be brought down to below 4 per cent by 2025-26.

Which of the above statements are Correct

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 37. Consider the following statements:
 - Dividends, Interests and Grants are part of non-tax revenue receipts.
 - 2. Interest, Salaries and Subsidies are part of revenue expenditure.

Which of the above statements are Correct

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 38. Consider the following statements about fiscal management of states.
 - Union government will give 50-year interest free loans to states which are to be spent on capital expenditure within 2023-24.
 - 2. Fiscal Deficit of 3.5% of GSDP is allowed for states (in which 0.5% is tied to power sector reforms).

Which of the above statements are correct as per budget 2023-24?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 39. Which of the following are mentioned in the Union Budget 2023-24 as Saptarshi The 7 Priorities:
 - 1. Inclusive development
 - 2. Reaching the last mile
 - 3. Infrastructure and investment
 - 4. Unleashing the potential of Women Power
 - 5. Green growth
 - 6. Tourism
 - 7. Financial sector

Select the correct code from below:

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

- 40. Consider the following statements about Millets:
 - 1. The UN has declared the year 2023 as the International Year of Millets.
 - 2. India Is the largest exporter and second largest producer of Millets.
 - 3. In the Union Budget 2023-24, millets have been given the identity of Shree Anna.

Which of the above statements are Correct:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 41. Which of the following statement/s is/are presented along with the budget?
 - 1. Fiscal Policy Strategy Statement
 - 2. Medium Term Fiscal Policy Statement
 - 3. Macroeconomic Framework Statement
 - 4. Medium Term Expenditure Framework Statement

Choose the correct answer from below given codes:

- a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- b) 2, 3 and 4 only
- c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- d) 1, 2, 3 and 4 only
- 42. Consider following statements about the budget estimates of fiscal year 2023-24.
 - 1. The share of subsidies is more than the share of defence in Union budget allocations.
 - 2. Interest payment on borrowings is about 25% of total expenditure.
 - Centrally sponsored schemes have higher allocation of funds than Central sector schemes.

Which of the above statements are *incorrect*?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 43. Which of the following support Circular Economy
 - 1. Battery Waste Management Rules 2022
 - 2. e-Waste Management Rules 2022
 - 3. GOBARdhan scheme

Select the correct code from below:

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

- 44. Consider the following statements:
 - The budget allocations for 2023-24 for MGNREGA have decreased.
 - 2. The budget allocations for 2023-24 for rural housing and fishery activities have increased.
 - The budget allocations for 2023-24 for National Rural Livelihood Mission (NLM) have increased.

Which of the above statements are Correct:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 45. Which of the following statements is *incorrect* about the capital receipts?
 - a) Loans from foreign governments and bodies constitute capital receipts.
 - b) Disinvestment proceeds and dividend distribution are part of capital receipts.
 - Recoveries of loans from state governments are constituents of capital receipts.
 - d) Market borrowings from the public and borrowings through the sale of Treasury-Bills are part of capital receipts.
- 46. According to the Union Budget 2023-24, consider the following statements.
 - 1. Capital investment outlay is being increased steeply for the third year in a row by 33 per cent to 10 lakh crore.
 - 2. It would be 3.3 percent of GDP which will be almost three times the outlay in 2019-20

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 47. Which of the following are True about Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana 4.0,
 - It intends to cover new age courses for Industry 4.0
 - 2. It has courses for coding, AI, robotics, IOT, drones, and soft skills

Select the correct code from below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only

- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None
- 48. Which of the following is/are part of the Union Budget?
 - 1. Actual data of the preceding year
 - 2. Provisional data of the current year
 - 3. Budgetary estimates for the following year Choose the correct answer from below given codes:
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 1 and 2 only
 - c) 2 and 3 only
 - d) 1, 2 and 3
- 49. Consider the following statements
 - Railways budget is presented together with the Union budget from financial year 2017-18.
 - 2. The total receipts and expenditure of the railways are incorporated in the Annual Financial Statement of the government of India.
 - 3. In the budget 2023-24, ₹2.4 lakh crore capital outlay has been sanctioned for railways.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 1 and 3
- c) 2 and 3
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 50. According to the Union Budget 2023-24, consider the following statements.
 - Under National Green Hydrogen Mission, India sets a target of 5 MMT annual green hydrogen production by 2030
 - ₹35,000 crore is allocated as a priority capital investment toward energy transition to achieve the goal of net zero emissions by 2050.

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
- 51. Consider the following statements regarding Population distribution in India according to 2011 Census:

- Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and Bihar is the correct order states ranked by their population
- 2. Among states Maharashtra has greatest percentage of urban population
- 3. The density of population in Bihar and West Bengal exceeds 1000 per sq. km

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3 only
- 52. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Physiological density refers to total population / net cultivated area
 - Agricultural density refers to total agricultural population / net cultivable area
 - 3. Agricultural population includes cultivators and agricultural labourers and their family members

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

53. Match the following:

Crops	Geographical Conditions	
A. Rice	 Cool and arid with inferior soils 	
B. Barley	Hot and humid with rich soil	
C. Tea	3. Hot and arid with inferior soils	
D. Millets	4. Warm and moist with well-drained soil	

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

- a) 2, 1, 4, 3
- b) 4, 1, 2, 3
- c) 2, 3, 4, 1
- d) 4, 3, 2, 1
- 54. Consider the following statements regarding demography of India:

- 1. Dependency ratio refers to the proportion of non-working population (below 15, above 65 years) to the total population
- 2. The Dependency Ratio of Indian population is near about 50%

Which of the statement/s given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 55. Consider the following statements:
 - According to Agriculture Census, since past two decades the Net Sown Area has been decreasing
 - 2. When the crop is sown on a piece of land for twice, the area is counted twice in Net Sown Area
 - 3. The area sown more than once in the same year is counted only once in Gross Cropped Area.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 56. Consider the following Reports/Indices:
 - 1. Inequality adjusted HDI
 - 2. Gender Inequality Index
 - 3. Gender Development Index
 - 4. Multidimensional Poverty Index

Which of the above indices is/are released by UNDP under its Human Development Report?

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 3 only
- c) 1, 2 and 4 only
- d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 57. Match the following pairs

	Port	Function	
A.	Ports of	1.	Transportation of
	Call		passengers and mail
		2.	Collection centres
B.	Entrepot		where goods are
	Port		brought from different
			places to export
C.	Ferry Port	3.	For refuelling, watering
			and taking food items

Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

- ABC
- a) 3, 2, 1
- b) 1, 2, 3
- c) 2, 3, 1
- d) 3, 1, 2
- 58. Consider the following statements regarding Population Growth in India:
 - 1. The decades 1921-1951 are referred to as stationary phase of India's population
 - 2. The decades 1951-1981 are referred to as period of Population explosion in India
 - 3. The decadal growth rate of population shows a continuous declining trend since 1981

Identify the correct statement/s from the above using codes given below:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 59. Consider the following statements regarding Quinary activities:
 - 1. The highest level of decision makers or policy makers perform Quinary activities
 - 2. These are also referred to as 'Gold Collar' jobs

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 60. In the context of Indian agriculture, the term barani refers to:
 - a) Rain fed land
 - b) Irrigated land
 - c) Kharif crop land
 - d) Rabi crop land
- 61. The practice of growing a series of dissimilar crops in the same area in sequential seasons is known as
 - a) Mixed farming
 - b) Cover cropping
 - c) Mixed cropping
 - d) Crop rotation

- 62. Consider the following statements regarding theories on population growth:
 - Demographic Transition Theory proposes that society progress from state of High Fertility-Low Mortality to Low Fertility-High Mortality
 - 2. Malthusian Theory holds that while Population increases in arithmetic progression, food production increases in geometric progression
 - Marxian Theory emphasised that population growth depends on socio-economic organisation of society

Which of the above statements are incorrect?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 1 and 3 only
- c) 2 only
- d) 3 only
- 63. India is the only country where most of its coffee is grown under shades. What are advantages of this type of shade cultivation?
 - 1. It prevents soil erosion on a sloping terrain.
 - 2. It plays host to diverse flora and fauna.
 - 3. It protects the coffee plant from seasonal fluctuations in temperature.
 - 4. It requires little or no chemical fertilizers. Select the correct option using the codes given
 - a) 1 and 2 only
 - b) 2 and 3 only
 - c) 1, 3 and 4 only
 - d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 64. Consider the following statements about silk production in India:
 - 1. India is the largest producer of silk in the world.
 - 2. India is the only country producing all the five known commercial varieties of silk.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 65. Consider the following pairs regarding land use categories as maintained in Land Revenue Records:

Land Use Category	Characteristics
A. Culturable Wasteland	1. Left fallow for less than 1 agricultural year

B.	Current Fallow Land	2.	Left uncultivated for between 1-5 years
C.	Other Fallow Land	3.	Left uncultivated for more than 5 years

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- a) One pair only
- b) Two pairs only
- c) Three pairs only
- d) None
- 66. Consider the following statements regarding cropping seasons in India:
 - 1. The Kharif season in India coincides with South West monsoon
 - 2. Zaid season begins right after the harvest of Kharif crop
 - 3. The distinct cropping seasons does *not* exist in southern parts of the country.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 67. Consider the following statements regarding irrigation in India:
 - In Productive irrigation, irrigation only acts as a supplementary source of water over and above the rainfall
 - 2. Protective irrigation is meant to provide sufficient soil moisture in the cropping season to achieve high productivity

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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

68. Consider the following pairs:

Crops	Leading Producer (2021)
1. Rice	West Bengal
2. Coarse grains	Rajasthan
3. Sugarcane	Uttar Pradesh
4. Cotton	Gujarat

How many of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- a) One pair only
- b) Two pairs only
- c) Three pairs only
- d) All four pairs
- 69. Sucrose content in sugarcane decreases:
 - a) If frost occurs during the process of ripening
 - b) If high rainfall occurs during the period of growth of the plant
 - If there is high temperature during the time of ripening
 - d) If there is fluctuation in temperature during the period of growth of the plant

70. Consider the following pairs:

Energy Source	Largest generating plant
1. Thermal	Vindhyachal
2. Solar	Muppandal
3. Wind	Bhadla
4. Nuclear	Kudankulam

Which of the above pairs are correctly matched?

- a) 1 and 4 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1, 2 and 4 only
- d) 1 and 3 only
- 71. Consider the following statements regarding water resources in India:
 - 1. Agriculture in India accounts for almost 90% of surface and ground water utilisation
 - 2. States like Punjab, Haryana and Rajasthan account for highest groundwater utilisation of its total ground water potential

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 72. With respect to Coal resources in India, which of the following statements are correct:
 - 1. In India Gondwana coal is moisture free, but high in sulphur and phosphorous
 - 2. Tertiary coal has low carbon content, high moisture and high sulphur

3. The lignite coalfields are risky due to spontaneous combustion nature

Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 73. Consider the following statements regarding Ferrous and Non- Ferrous metals:
 - 1. Ferrous metals have greater malleability than non-ferrous metals
 - 2. Non-Ferrous metals have higher melting point than ferrous metals
 - 3. Copper and lead are best examples for non-ferrous metals

Which of the above statements is/are

incorrect?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 74. Consider the following statements regarding Coal Bed Methane (CBM):
 - 1. CBM is a clean energy source of natural gas and is a clean burning fuel than coal
 - 2. CBM is recovered by drilling several wells into the coal and lignite beds
 - It is observed that the lower the purity of coal, the more CBM in the coal bed is found

Which of the above statements are correct:

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

75. Match the following:

	Type of Mining		Procedure
A.	Surface Mining	1.	Separating valuable metals sediments through sifting.
В.	Subsurface Mining	2.	Extracting minerals that are close to the surface of earth.
C.	Placer Mining	3.	Recovering minerals from earth without extracting the ore to

	the surface for processing
D. In-situ Mining	4. Extracting minerals that are located deep under the surface

Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

- a) 4, 2, 1, 3
- b) 2, 4, 1, 3
- c) 4, 2, 3, 1
- d) 2, 4, 3, 1
- 76. Consider the following statements regarding Methane Hydrates:
 - 1. Methane Hydrates are crystalline solids found near coal beds around the world
 - 2. Because of their unstable nature, Methane Hydrates are difficult to study and handle
 - 3. In India, Methane Hydrates have been discovered in Krishna-Godavari basin

Which of the above statements is/are correct:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 3 only
- 77. The concept of Climate Smart Agriculture was introduced by FAO, what does outcomes does it seek to achieve?
 - 1. Increase agriculture productivity
 - 2. Enhance agriculture resilience
 - 3. Reduce agriculture emissions

Choose the correct answer from 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 statements regarding factors influencing location of industries are correct?
 - Perishability is a vital factor for the industry to be located closer to the source of the raw material.
 - 2. Footloose industry is **not** dependent on any specific raw material for location

Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2

- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 79. Consider the following statements regarding Rare Earth Minerals:
 - 1. They are called 'Rare' as they are **not** abundant in the Earth's crust
 - 2. They belong to a group of elements called 'Lanthanides'
 - 3. Monazite in India is the principal source of Rare Earths

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
- 80. Which of the following sites of Indian Railways have been included under UNESCO World Heritage Sites?
 - 1. Darjeeling Himalayan Railway
 - 2. Konkan Railway
 - 3. Nilgiris Mountain Railway
 - 4. Kalka-Shimla Railway

Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

- a) 1, 2 and 3 only
- b) 1, 3 and 4 only
- c) 2, 3 and 4 only
- d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 81. Which among the following minerals is also referred to as Plumbago?
 - a) Graphite
 - b) Lead
 - c) Magnesium
 - d) Mica
- 82. Consider the following statements regarding Railway Gauges in India:
 - As part of Project Unigauge, more than 90% of railway tracks in India have been converted to Metre gauge
 - 2. The distance between two parallel tracks in a Broad Gauge is 1.6 metres approximately
 - 3. Some Railway lines are excluded from conversion under this Project to preserve the heritage

Which of the above statements are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 and 3 only

- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2 and 3
- 83. Consider the following statements regarding Waterways in India:
 - 1. India's navigable waterways contribute to 1% of the country's transportation
 - 2. 95% of India's Foreign Trade by value movies through Oceanic Waterways

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) Neither 1 nor 2
- 84. Which among the following are the role/s of Border Roads Organisation (BRO):
 - 1. To develop and maintain the operational road infrastructure in the border areas.
 - 2. To contribute to the socio-economic development of the border states
 - 3. To engage in post disaster management and reconstruction of infrastructure
 - 4. Promote a harmonious relationship with friendly neighbourhood countries

Choose the correct answer from the codes given below:

- a) 1 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 1, 2 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- 85. Which among the following places is the point of interchange between North-South Corridor and East-West Corridor in India?
 - a) Jhansi
 - b) Nagpur
 - c) Bhopal
 - d) Jabalpur
- 86. Consider the following statements regarding National Infrastructure Pipeline?
 - 1. It outlines plan to invest more than ₹100 lakh crore on infrastructure projects by 2025
 - 2. The capital expenditure for investment is to be shared equally by Centre, State and Private
 - 3. The Road sector is estimated to receive the maximum percent of capital investment

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

- d) 1 and 3 only
- 87. Which among the following is the first crude oil pipeline constructed in India?
 - a) Mumbai High-Ankaleshwar Pipeline
 - b) Naharkatia-Nunmati-Barauni Pipeline
 - c) Hajira-Bijapur Pipeline
 - d) Kandla-Bhatinda Pipeline
- 88. Consider the following statements regarding Air Transport in India:
 - 1. The first commercial Air transport in India was launched between Allahabad and Naini
 - 2. Air transport in India was nationalised in 1960 with Air Corporation Act
 - 3. Post liberalisation, private carriers were allowed to operate after repealing the Act Which of the statements above is/are correct? looking for
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 1 and 3 only
 - c) 2 and 3 only
 - d) 1, 2 and 3
- 89. Which of the following ports is known as 'Diamond Harbour'?
 - a) Haldia Port
 - b) Kandla Port
 - c) Mazagaon Port
 - d) Marmagao Port
- 90. Select the correct order of arrangement of commodity groups of Indian Exports in descending order of their Export Value for the year 2022:
 - a) Petroleum Products, Engineering Goods, Gems & Jewellery, Drugs & Pharma
 - b) Engineering Goods, Petroleum Products, Gems & Jewellery, Drugs & Pharma
 - c) Engineering Goods, Petroleum Products, Drugs & Pharma, Gems & Jewellery
 - d) Petroleum Products, Engineering Goods, Drugs & Pharma, Gems & Jewellery
- 91. The Vindhyan system of rocks is important for the production of:
 - a) Iron ore and manganese
 - b) Precious stone and building materials
 - c) Copper and mica
 - d) Uranium and aluminum

- 92. In which of the following states the largest coal reserves of India are found?
 - a) Assam
 - b) Jharkhand
 - c) Madhya Pradesh
 - d) Orissa
- 93. In Which of the following states, rubber is cultivated?
 - 1. Kerala
 - 2. Karnataka
 - 3. Tripura
 - 4. Meghalaya
 - 5. Andhra Pradesh

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

- a) 1, 2 and 3
- b) 1, 2, 3 and 4
- c) 1, 3 and 4
- d) 1, 2 and 5
- 94. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Odisha is largest producer of Iron ore in India.
 - 2. Odisha is largest producer of baxite in India.
 - 3. Odisha is largest producer of mica in India. Which of the above statements is/are *incorrect*?
 - a) 1 and 2
 - b) 2 and 3
 - c) 3 only
 - d) None of the above statements
- 95. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. Bihar is recorded as highest dense state in India.
 - 2. 1911 1921 decade had shown negative growth trend.

Which of the above statements is/are *incorrect* with regards to the population trends in India?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above
- 96. Which among the following factors influence the density distribution of the population in India?
 - 1. Amount of rainfall
 - 2. Cultural factors
 - 3. Distribution of minerals
 - 4. Fertility of soils

Select the correct answer from the codes given below:

a) 1 and 4

- b) 1, 2 and 3
- c) 1, 2, and 4
- d) 2, 3 and 4
- 97. Which one of the following is **not** a Tertiary activity?
 - a) Banking
 - b) Transport and Communication
 - c) Administrative services
 - d) Building and Construction work.
- 98. Consider the following statements:
 - Punjab and Haryana are only states not having ST population according to the 2011 census.
 - 2. Gonds is largest tribal populated group in India.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above
- 99. Consider the following statements:
 - Copper is **not** available in South Indian states.
 - 2. Madhya Pradesh is largest producer of copper.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) Both 1 and 2
- d) None of the above
- 100. Consider the following statements:
 - 1. India has largest inland waterway network in the World.
 - 2. India has 111 operational waterways in

Which of the above statements is/are correct with regards to the waterway network in India?

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

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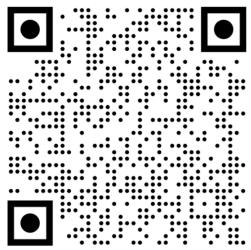




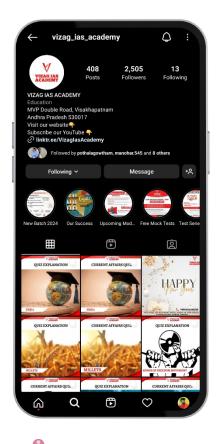


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