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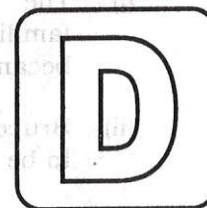
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Paper—I



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1. Consider the following statements about tea in Assam :

- (i) The Singphos were already familiar with tea before it became more widely known.
- (ii) Bruce Brothers are considered to be the pioneers of Assam tea.
- (iii) Assam Company was founded in 1835.

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

- (A) Only (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (i) and (iii)
- (C) Only (i)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

2. Consider the following statements about Vedic literature :

- (i) Vedic literature is broadly divided into two parts : Shruti and Smriti.
- (ii) The language used in four Vedas is classical Sanskrit.
- (iii) The *Ramayana* and the *Mahabharata* are two major important components of Vedic literature.

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

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Both (i) and (ii)
- (C) Both (ii) and (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

3. Match the events in List-I with their respective years in List-II :

| List-I | List-II |
|---|---------|
| a. Treaty of Yandaboo | 1. 1846 |
| b. First Assamese magazine <i>Orunodoi</i> published | 2. 1826 |
| c. Establishment of Assam Medical College | 3. 2005 |
| d. Annulment of the IMDT Act, 1983 by the Supreme Court | 4. 1947 |

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

4. Match the epigraphs in List-I with the rulers who issued them in List-II :

| List-I | List-II |
|--------------|-------------------|
| a. Barganga | 1. Bhaskaravarman |
| b. Nidhanpur | 2. Bhutivarman |
| c. Hayunthal | 3. Gopalavarman |
| d. Gachhtal | 4. Harjaravarman |

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

5. Which of the following Puranas contain(s) references to ancient Assam?

- (i) Markandeya
- (ii) Skanda
- (iii) Naradiya
- (iv) Vishnu

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (iv)
- (B) Only (iv)
- (C) Only (ii), (iii) and (iv)
- (D) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)

6. The search and rescue operation initiated by the Government of India to aid Syria and Turkey after the devastating earthquake on 6 February, 2023 is named as

- (A) Operation Maitree
- (B) Operation Aid
- (C) Operation Safety
- (D) Operation Dost

7. Which statements regarding *Periplus of the Erythraean Sea* are true?

- (i) The text was written in Greek for traders involved in mercantile activities.
- (ii) The text survives in the form of 10th century manuscript.
- (iii) The manuscript has errors and omission.
- (iv) It is a work of multiple authors.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)
- (B) Only (ii), (iii) and (iv)
- (C) Only (i), (ii) and (iii)
- (D) Only (i), (ii) and (iv)

8. For which of the following items, Alauddin Khilji sought to fix the cost?

- (i) Sugarcane
- (ii) Diamond
- (iii) Grain
- (iv) Fish

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (B) Only (i) and (ii)
- (C) Only (i), (iii) and (iv)
- (D) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)

9. The verses of which of the following Sufi saints are found in the *Adi Granth* of the Sikhs?

- (i) Nizamuddin Auliya
- (ii) Farid-ud-Din
- (iii) Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti
- (iv) Bakhtiar Kaki

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (C) Only (iv)
- (D) Only (ii)

10. Which statements regarding the office of the Barbarua and Barphukan are correct?

- (i) The posts of Barbarua and Barphukan were created during 16th century to control the newly acquired territory of the Ahom kingdom.
- (ii) The posts aided in decentralization of power.
- (iii) They were as much agents of the central government as autonomous heads of the areas under their jurisdiction.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (C) Only (i) and (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

11. Assertion (A) :

"I am a minister and hence I cannot become king", said Atan Burhagohain.

Reason (R) :

The primary or absolutely indispensable qualification of kingship was possession of blue blood.

Select the correct answer from the following options.

- (A) Both (A) and (R) are right, but (R) is not the correct explanation of (A)
- (B) Both (A) and (R) are right, and (R) is the correct explanation of (A)
- (C) (A) is right and (R) is wrong
- (D) (A) is wrong and (R) is right

12. Find the correct chronology of the following Governor Generals of India :

- (i) Sir John Macpherson
- (ii) The Earl Cornwallis
- (iii) Sir Alured Clarke
- (iv) The Earl of Mornington

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv)
- (B) (i), (ii), (iv), (iii)
- (C) (ii), (i), (iii), (iv)
- (D) (ii), (iii), (i), (iv)

13. Match the associations (List-I) with the years of their establishments (List-II) :

List-I

List-II

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| a. East India Association, London | 1. 1852 |
| b. Bombay Association | 2. 1866 |
| c. Madras Mahajan Sabha | 3. 1876 |
| d. Indian Association, Bengal | 4. 1884 |

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

14. Arrange the following social reforms by the British government in chronological order :

- (i) Regulations against infanticide
- (ii) Regulations declaring Sati illegal
- (iii) Hindu Widows' Remarriage Act
- (iv) Abolition of slavery

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) (ii), (i), (iii), (iv)
- (B) (i), (ii), (iv), (iii)
- (C) (ii), (i), (iv), (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv)

15. Arrange the following anti-British uprisings in chronological order :

- (i) Patharughat Uprising
- (ii) Phulaguri Uprising
- (iii) Rangiya Uprising

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) (i), (ii), (iii)
- (B) (ii), (iii), (i)
- (C) (ii), (i), (iii)
- (D) (iii), (i), (ii)

16. Arrange the following external invasions of Assam in chronological order :

- (i) Invasion of Bakhtiyar Khilji
- (ii) Invasion of Turbak
- (iii) Invasion of Mir Jumla
- (iv) Invasion of Sikandar Shah

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv)
- (B) (i), (iv), (ii), (iii)
- (C) (ii), (i), (iv), (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii), (iv), (iii)

17. Which of the following qualifications are necessary for the office of the Vice President of India as per the Indian Constitution?

- (i) The person must be a citizen of India.
- (ii) The person must be a member of the Rajya Sabha.
- (iii) The person must be above 35 years of age.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) (i), (ii) and (iii)
- (B) Only (i) and (iii)
- (C) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (D) Only (i) and (ii)

18. Which of the following features are regarded as the core features of 'Rule of Law'?

- (i) Limitation of powers
- (ii) Equality before law
- (iii) Liberty and civil rights
- (iv) Supremacy of law

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)
- (B) Only (i) and (iii)
- (C) Only (ii) and (iv)
- (D) Only (ii), (iii) and (iv)

19. Consider the following statements about the Rajya Sabha of the Indian Parliament :

- (i) The Rajya Sabha has no power either to reject or to amend a Money Bill.
- (ii) The Rajya Sabha cannot vote the Demands of Grants.
- (iii) The Rajya Sabha cannot discuss the Annual Financial Statement.
- (iv) If any question arises regarding whether a Bill is Money Bill or not, the decision of the Chairperson of the Rajya Sabha thereon shall not be final.

Select the correct statements using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (iv)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (C) Only (i), (ii) and (iv)
- (D) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)

20. Choose the correct chronological sequence of the following events in the context of recognition of human rights :

- (i) Magna Carta
- (ii) French Revolution
- (iii) Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- (iv) Adoption of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) (i), (iv), (ii), (iii)
- (B) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv)
- (C) (i), (iii), (iv), (ii)
- (D) (i), (ii), (iv), (iii)

21. Match the Indian Prime Ministers (List-I) with their initiatives/policies (List-II) :

List-I

- a. P. V. Narasimha Rao
- b. Morarji Desai
- c. A. B. Vajpayee
- d. Rajiv Gandhi

List-II

1. Six-Nation Disarmament Conference
2. Pokhran-II
3. Look East Policy
4. Genuine Non-Alignment

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

22. Which of the following statements about membership of the Indian Parliament is/are false?

- (i) For qualifying to the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha, a person must be at least 25 years and 35 years of age respectively.
- (ii) A person belonging to the Scheduled Castes or the Scheduled Tribes can contest elections from a general constituency too.
- (iii) If a member of the Parliament votes against the directions of his/her party, he/she can be deemed to be disqualified on the ground of defection.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (ii)
- (C) Both (ii) and (iii)
- (D) Both (i) and (iii)

23. Recently the Assam Cabinet approved the administrative merger of some newly formed districts with existing districts. In this context, which of the following is/are incorrect?

- (i) Merger of Biswanath district with Sonitpur
- (ii) Merger of Hojai district with Nagaon
- (iii) Merger of Bajali district with Bongaigaon
- (iv) Merger of Tamulpur district with Baksa

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Both (ii) and (iii)
- (B) Only (iii)
- (C) Both (i) and (iv)
- (D) Both (iii) and (iv)

24. Match the declarations (List-I) with their subjects (List-II) :

List-I

List-II

- | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| a. Rome Declaration, 1996 | 1. Gender Justice |
| b. Stockholm Declaration, 1972 | 2. Food Security |
| c. Doha Declaration, 2001 | 3. Environment Protection |
| d. Beijing Declaration, 1995 | 4. Public Health |

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

25. Which of the following Protocols/Conventions is for protecting biological diversity from the risks posed by genetically modified organism?

- (A) Cartagena Protocol
- (B) Nagoya Protocol
- (C) Bonn Convention
- (D) Vienna Convention

26. Which of the following is/are **not** part(s) of the Directive Principles of State Policy?

- (i) Uniform Civil Code for the citizens
- (ii) Promotion of international peace and security
- (iii) Right of minorities to establish and administer educational institutions
- (iv) Organization of agriculture and animal husbandry

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Both (ii) and (iii)
- (B) Both (i) and (iv)
- (C) Only (i)
- (D) Only (iii)

27. Which of the following preventive detention Acts is/are **not** in force in India?

- (i) NSA
- (ii) MISA
- (iii) UAPA
- (iv) FEMA

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (C) Only (ii) and (iv)
- (D) Only (ii)

28. Which of the following features of federalism is/are **not** found in the Indian Constitution?

- (i) Representation of the States
- (ii) Independent Judiciary
- (iii) Division of Power between the Union and the State Governments
- (iv) Federal Judiciary

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (iv)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (C) Only (ii) and (iv)
- (D) Only (iv)

29. Which of the following Articles of the Indian Constitution enables the State to make provision for reservation in public employment in favour of backward classes?

- (A) 16(1)
- (B) 16(2)
- (C) 16(3)
- (D) 16(4)

30. A writ issued by a court to some inferior authority to transfer the matter to it for its proper consideration is called

- (A) mandamus
- (B) quo warranto
- (C) certiorari
- (D) prohibition

31. According to the Indian Constitution, Judicial Review in India is based on

- (i) Rule of Law
- (ii) Procedure established by Law
- (iii) Precedents and Conventions

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (ii)
- (C) Only (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

32. Which of the following statements is/are **not** correct about the creation of new States by the Parliament under the Article 3 of the Indian Constitution?

- (i) The President of India is required to refer such a Bill to the affected State/States in order to know its/their view.
- (ii) The President is bound to accept the opinion/view of the affected State/States in making recommendations to the Parliament.
- (iii) The Parliament cannot introduce a Bill to this effect without the prior recommendations of the President.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (ii)
- (C) Only (iii)
- (D) Both (i) and (ii)

33. With respect to the location sequence of the given rivers/mountain passes/mountain peaks, which of the following sequences is/are correct?

- (i) Jhelum–Chenab–Ravi–Sutlej
- (ii) Zoji La–Lipulekh–Shipki La–Jelep La
- (iii) Mahendragiri–Mahabaleshwar–Doddabetta–Anamudi

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (C) Only (i) and (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

34. Read the following two statements :

Statement 1 :

Sex ratio of population in Kerala is higher than national average.

Statement 2 :

The life expectancy of female population in Kerala is higher than male population.

Select the correct answer from the following options.

- (A) Both 1 and 2 are correct, and 2 explains 1
- (B) Both 1 and 2 are correct, but 2 does not explain 1
- (C) Only 1 is correct, but 2 is wrong
- (D) Only 1 is wrong, but 2 is correct

35. With reference to the tribes of North-East India, which of the following statements is/are correct?

- (i) The Ao tribe is mainly concentrated in Mokokchung district of Nagaland.
- (ii) The Sherdukpens are mainly concentrated in West Kameng district of Arunachal Pradesh.
- (iii) The Reangs are mainly concentrated in Mizoram.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (i) and (ii)
- (C) Only (i) and (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

36. The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) adopted by the UNDP in 2015 contain certain number of goals to be achieved by 2030. What is the total number of goals to be achieved as per SDG?

- (A) 19
- (B) 17
- (C) 21
- (D) 26

37. With reference to the Forest Survey Report, 2021 of the Government of India, consider the following statements :

- (i) Madhya Pradesh has the largest area under forest cover.
- (ii) Mizoram has the highest percentage of area under forest cover.
- (iii) Per capita availability of forest-land is the highest in Sikkim.

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

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (i) and (ii)
- (C) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

38. Match the rivers (List-I) with the places on their banks (List-II) in Assam :

| List-I | List-II |
|----------------|--------------|
| a. Barak | 1. Sivasagar |
| b. Brahmaputra | 2. Golaghat |
| c. Dikhow | 3. Silchar |
| d. Dhansiri | 4. Goalpara |

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

39. With reference to locations of some countries, which of the following statements is/are correct?

- (i) The Equator passes through Colombia, Kenya and Philippines.
- (ii) The Tropic of Cancer passes through Mexico, Egypt and Taiwan.
- (iii) The Tropic of Capricorn passes through Paraguay, South Africa and Australia.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (C) Only (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

40. With reference to National Highways of India, which of the following statements is/are correct?

- (i) Among the Indian States, Maharashtra occupies the top position in terms of the total length of National Highways.
- (ii) NH 42 between Srinagar and Kanyakumari is the longest National Highway of the country.
- (iii) NH 27 is the longest East-West National Highway connecting Porbandar and Silchar.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (i) and (ii)
- (C) Only (i) and (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

41. With reference to railway networks in Assam, consider the following statements :

- (i) Railway line connecting Bhalukpong in Arunachal Pradesh starts from Balipara in Assam.
- (ii) There are two railway bridges across the river Brahmaputra in Assam.
- (iii) Railway line connecting Naharlagun in Arunachal Pradesh starts from Harmuti in Assam.

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

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (i) and (ii)
- (C) Only (i) and (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

42. Which of the following Fundamental Rights are available only to the citizens of India?

- (i) Right to equal opportunity in the matter of public employment
- (ii) Equality before law
- (iii) Right to freedom of religion
- (iv) Right to freedom under Article 19

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)
- (B) Only (i) and (iv)
- (C) Only (i), (ii) and (iii)
- (D) Only (ii) and (iv)

43. With reference to the tributaries of the Brahmaputra and Barak rivers in Assam, which of the following is/are correct?

- (i) Subansiri, Jiabharali, Dikhow, Manas (North bank tributaries of the Brahmaputra)
- (ii) Burhi Dihing, Bhogdoi, Kopili, Krishnai (South bank tributaries of the Brahmaputra)
- (iii) Dhaleswari, Raidak, Longai, Jiri (Tributaries of the Barak)

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (i) and (iii)
- (C) Only (ii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

44. With respect to different ethnic groups of Assam, which of the following statements is/are correct?

- (i) The Bodos are the largest tribe in Assam followed by the Dimasas.
- (ii) The traditional religion of the Mising tribe is Donyi-Poloism.
- (iii) The Tiwas are inhabitants of both the plains and the hills.
- (iv) Baikho is a traditional festival of the Karbis.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (i) and (iii)
- (C) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (D) Only (i), (ii) and (iv)

45. With reference to geopolitical situation of selected districts of Assam, which of the following statements is/are correct?

- (i) All BTR districts share border with Bhutan.
- (ii) Cachar district shares border with the States of Manipur, Mizoram, Tripura and Meghalaya.
- (iii) The districts of Dhubri, Cachar and Karimganj share border with Bangladesh.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (i) and (ii)
- (C) Only (i) and (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

46. In which year, Assam Region was separated from the Bengal Presidency?

- (A) 1871 (B) 1870
(C) 1876 (D) 1874

47. The Aspirational District Programme (ADP) was launched by which of the following organizations?

- (A) National Development Council
(B) North-East Council
(C) Prime Minister's Office
(D) NITI Aayog

48. Which of the following is a necessary condition for the issue of a writ of quo warranto?

- (A) To secure the release of a person who has been imprisoned by a court of law on a criminal charge
(B) To direct a public officer or the government not to enforce a law which is unconstitutional
(C) Both (A) and (B)
(D) The office must be public and it must be created by a statute or by the Constitution itself

49. 'Zoonosis' refers to any disease or infection that is naturally transmissible from

- (i) human to human
(ii) animal to human
(iii) animal to animal
(iv) bird to animal

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (iii)
(B) Both (i) and (ii)
(C) Both (iii) and (iv)
(D) Only (ii)

50. Who among the following environmentalists/organizations has/have been awarded the 'Champion of Earth Award', top UN award for environment for 2022?

- (i) Aaranyak
(ii) Cecile Bibiane Ndjebet
(iii) Antonio Aucca
(iv) Purnima Devi Barman

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Both (i) and (ii)
(B) Both (i) and (iii)
(C) Both (ii) and (iv)
(D) Only (iv)

51. Which of the following is **not** a correct option about the Governor's power to make Ordinance?

- (A) The Governor may promulgate Ordinance when Legislature or both the Houses thereof are in session.
(B) Article 213 of the Constitution empowers the Governor to promulgate Ordinances.
(C) The Ordinance may be withdrawn by the Governor at any time.
(D) It is not a discretionary power of the Governor.

52. Match the medicinal plants found in Assam (List-I) with the use of these plants for treatment of various illnesses (List-II) :

| List-I | List-II |
|---|------------------------|
| a. <i>Withania somnifera</i> (Ashwagandha) | 1. High blood pressure |
| b. Lamiaceae (Tulsi) | 2. Glaucoma |
| c. <i>Vanda coerulea</i> (Bhatou Phul) | 3. Bronchitis |
| d. <i>Rauvolfia serpentina</i> (Sarpagandha) | 4. Stress and anxiety |

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

53. Who among the following was the first Assamese to contest the Presidential Election in 1952 against Dr. Rajendra Prasad?

- (A) Nagendra Nath Das
(B) Jnanadabhiram Barua
(C) Hem Barua
(D) Chandradhar Barua

54. The international convention on the control of transboundary movement of hazardous waste and their disposal in order to protect human health and the environment against the adverse effects of hazardous waste is called

- (A) Stockholm Convention
(B) Basel Convention
(C) Minamata Convention
(D) Rotterdam Convention

55. The head of the government and leader of the House in Legislative Assembly of Assam Province in British India was known as the

- (A) Chief Minister
(B) Prime Minister
(C) Governor
(D) Speaker

56. The Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) will start a project Network for Space Object Tracking and Analysis (NETRA) in Assam near Guwahati. Where will the proposed radar facility be established?

- (A) Mirza
(B) Chaygaon
(C) Changsari
(D) Chandrapur

57. With respect to India's nuclear programme, consider the following statements :

- (i) ADITYA is the name of India's indigenously developed tokamak.
(ii) ADITYA is a breeder reactor.
(iii) ADITYA is a fusion reactor.
(iv) ADITYA is a fission reactor.

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

- (A) Only (i)
(B) Only (i) and (ii)
(C) Only (i) and (iii)
(D) Only (i) and (iv)

58. Arrange the following places in ascending order of local acceleration due to gravity :

- (i) Polar region of the earth's surface at the sea level
- (ii) Surface of the moon
- (iii) Centre of the earth
- (iv) Equatorial region on the earth's surface at the sea level

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv)
- (B) (iii), (ii), (iv), (i)
- (C) (iii), (ii), (i), (iv)
- (D) (iii), (i), (ii), (iv)

59. Which of the following is **not** one of the priorities termed 'Saptarishi', adopted in the Union Budget for FY 2023-24 to guide the country towards 'Amrit Kaal', thus providing a blueprint for an empowered and inclusive economy?

- (A) Population Control
- (B) Youth Power
- (C) Green Growth
- (D) Reaching the last mile

60. Consider the following statements :

- (i) Optical fibre communication is based on the principle of refraction of light.
- (ii) Optical fibre communication is based on the principle of total internal reflection of light.
- (iii) In optical fibre communication, light is the carrier wave.
- (iv) Optical fibre permits communication over short distances only.

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

- (A) Only (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (ii)
- (C) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (D) Only (iii) and (iv)

61. 'Bhaskarabda', which has been added to the official calendar of the Government of Assam, is counted from

- (A) the date of ascension of Bhaskaravarman
- (B) the date of birth of Bhaskaravarman
- (C) the date of death of Bhaskaravarman
- (D) None of the above

62. 23rd January, Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose's birthday, is celebrated in India as

- (A) Parakram Diwas
- (B) Shourya Diwas
- (C) Deshprem Diwas
- (D) Vijay Diwas

63. Find the Dada Saheb Phalke awardees from the following :

- (i) Dr. Bhupen Hazarika
- (ii) Asha Parekh
- (iii) Rajinikanth
- (iv) Amitabh Bachchan

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (iv)
- (B) Only (i), (ii) and (iv)
- (C) Only (i) and (ii)
- (D) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)

64. Which State was awarded the Most Improved State under PMAY (U) North-Eastern region in the special awards category for the year 2021 by the Government of India?

(A) Assam

(B) Arunachal Pradesh

(C) Sikkim

(D) Tripura

65. The tallest statue in the world is located in

(A) Henan, China

(B) Kevadia, India

(C) Sagaing, Myanmar

(D) Ibaraki Prefecture, Japan

66. When drenched clouds are not able to cause rain because of the rising movement of extremely hot current of air, it leads to

(A) cloudbursts

(B) thunderstorm

(C) creation of rain shadow area

(D) cyclone

67. Match the following :

List-I

List-II

a. Monetary Policy Committee

1. Union Home Minister

b. GST Council

2. Union Finance Minister

c. NITI Aayog

3. RBI Governor

d. Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs

4. Prime Minister of India

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

(A) a b c d
2 3 4 1

(B) a b c d
3 2 4 1

(C) a b c d
3 2 1 4

(D) a b c d
2 3 1 4

68. Match the following :

List-I

List-II

a. Bhattadev University

1. Nalbari

b. Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit and Ancient Studies University

2. Hojai

c. Rabindranath Tagore University

3. Pathsala

d. Assam Science and Technology University

4. Guwahati

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

(A) a b c d
3 1 2 4

(B) a b c d
3 2 1 4

(C) a b c d
1 3 4 2

(D) a b c d
1 2 3 4

69. Consider the following statements about the famous Assamese poet Nilmoni Phookan who passed away on 19th January, 2023 :

- (i) He was honoured with the Jnanpith Award in 2021.
- (ii) His first anthology is *Surya Henu Nami Ahe Ei Nodiyedi*.
- (iii) He was awarded Sahitya Akademi Award for his anthology *Kavita*.
- (iv) He was the President of Assam Sahitya Sabha in 2015.

Select the correct statements using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (C) Only (i), (ii) and (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)

70. The autobiography of former Chief Justice of India, Sri Ranjan Gogoi, is titled

- (A) *The Man and the Judge*
- (B) *Before Memory Fades*
- (C) *Justice for the Judge*
- (D) *In Pursuit of Justice*

71. Pick the Indian film from the options given below which was **not** nominated for Academy Awards (Oscars).

- (A) *Mother India*
- (B) *Pather Panchali*
- (C) *Salaam Bombay!*
- (D) *Lagaan*

72. From the following statements pertaining to the World Economic Forum (WEF), find the correct statement(s) :

- (i) The WEF is a platform under the International Monetary Fund (IMF).
- (ii) The WEF is an independent department of the World Bank.
- (iii) The WEF is an International Organization for Public-Private Cooperation.
- (iv) The WEF was established in 1971 as a not-for-profit foundation and is headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (ii)
- (C) Only (iii) and (iv)
- (D) Only (ii) and (iii)

73. Who among the following has **not** been awarded Padma Shri in 2023 from Assam?

- (A) Nipon Goswami
- (B) Hem Chandra Goswami
- (C) Hemoprova Chutia
- (D) Ramkuiwangbe Jene

74. Which of the following clusters are correct representations of the G-20 member countries?

- (i) Australia, Canada, Saudi Arabia
- (ii) Senegal, Mexico, Italy
- (iii) United States, Turkey, Argentina
- (iv) Peru, Congo, South Africa

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (i) and (iii)
- (C) Only (i), (ii) and (iii)
- (D) Only (i), (iii) and (iv)

75. In which of the following climatic conditions, the problem of salinization in farmland due to irrigation is the most prominent?

- (A) Dry and cold
- (B) Dry and hot
- (C) Wet and hot
- (D) Dry, hot and windy

76. Consider the following statements with regard to the international peace research organization SIPRI :

- (i) Its full form is Sweden International Peace Research Initiative.
- (ii) SIPRI is located at Gothenburg.
- (iii) Its full form is Stockholm International Peace Research Institute.
- (iv) The headquarters of SIPRI is at Solna.

Select the correct statements using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (C) Only (iii) and (iv)
- (D) Only (i) and (iv)

77. Which of the following statements are correct with regard to the Orunodoi Scheme of the Government of Assam?

- (i) It envisages poverty alleviation.
- (ii) It envisages socio-economic inclusion of financially vulnerable families.
- (iii) It aims to generate employment through intermittent financial assistance.
- (iv) It provides minimum cash flow to underprivileged families.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i), (ii) and (iii)
- (B) Only (ii), (iii) and (iv)
- (C) Only (i), (iii) and (iv)
- (D) Only (i), (ii) and (iv)

78. Consider the following statements regarding the Golden Globe Award-winning song 'Naatu Naatu':

- (i) It is composed by M. M. Keeravani.
- (ii) It is the first time that an Indian song has won a Golden Globe.
- (iii) The song is choreographed by Prabhu Deva.

Select the correct statements using the codes given below.

- (A) (i), (ii) and (iii)
- (B) Only (i) and (ii)
- (C) Only (i) and (iii)
- (D) Only (ii) and (iii)

79. Consider the following statements :

- (i) 2023 has been declared as the 'International Year of Millets' by the United Nations.
- (ii) India is the largest producer of millets in the world.
- (iii) India sponsored the proposal for the International Year of Millets which was accepted by the United Nations General Assembly.

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

- (A) Only (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (i)
- (C) Only (ii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

80. Which of the following is/are **not** in the objectives of the NEP 2020?

- (i) To increase public investment on education up to 10% of GDP by 2030
- (ii) To increase Gross Enrolment Ratio in higher education to 50%
- (iii) To create provision of Academic Bank of Credit

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (i) and (ii)
- (C) Only (ii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

81. Arrange the following States in descending order in terms of their sex ratio as per the 2011 Census :

- (i) Arunachal Pradesh
- (ii) Mizoram
- (iii) Assam
- (iv) Nagaland

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv)
- (B) (ii), (iii), (i), (iv)
- (C) (ii), (i), (iv), (iii)
- (D) (iv), (i), (ii), (iii)

82. Assam shares her borders with

- (i) Manipur
- (ii) Tripura
- (iii) Sikkim
- (iv) West Bengal

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (C) Only (i), (ii) and (iv)
- (D) (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv)

83. Consider the following statements about Mauna Loa :

- (i) It is associated with volcanic eruption.
- (ii) It is located in Hawaii.
- (iii) It is associated with forest fire.
- (iv) It is located in Australia.

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

- (A) Only (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (C) Only (iii) and (iv)
- (D) Only (ii)

84. 'One Earth, One Family, One Future' is/was the motto of the

- (A) Earth Summit, Rio de Janeiro, 1992
- (B) G-20 New Delhi Summit, 2023
- (C) Climate Summit, Sharm El-Sheikh, 2022
- (D) World Economic Forum Annual Meeting, Davos, 2023

85. Consider the following statements regarding World Cup Football, 2022 :

- (i) The Golden Boot Award of the tournament was given to Lionel Messi.
- (ii) The Golden Boot Award of the tournament was given to Kylian Mbappe.
- (iii) The Golden Ball Award of the tournament was given to Lionel Messi.
- (iv) The Golden Ball Award of the tournament was given to Kylian Mbappe.

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

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (ii)
- (C) Both (i) and (iv)
- (D) Both (ii) and (iii)

86. Consider the following statements about 'Yogyakarta Principles' :

- (i) These are related to international principles pertaining to human rights in the areas of sexual orientation and gender equality.
- (ii) The principles seek to apply the standards of international human rights law to address the abuse of human rights of LGBTI community.
- (iii) These principles were accepted in Thailand in 2006.

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

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (ii)
- (C) Both (i) and (ii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)

87. Which of the following books is/are **not** written jointly by Larry Collins and Dominique Lapierre?

- (i) *Is Paris Burning?*
- (ii) *Freedom at Midnight*
- (iii) *O Jerusalem!*
- (iv) *City of Joy*

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Both (i) and (iii)
- (B) Both (i) and (iv)
- (C) Only (ii)
- (D) Only (iv)

88. Consider the following statements about the recently held Voice of Global South Summit :

- (i) The Summit aimed at achieving 'Unity of Voice, Unity of Purpose'.
- (ii) The Summit envisaged bringing together countries of the Global South and sharing their perspectives and priorities on a common platform.
- (iii) The Summit was held in Bangkok in January 2023.

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

- (A) Both (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (i)
- (C) Only (ii)
- (D) Both (i) and (iii)

89. Which of the statements given below is/are correct?

- (i) GNP is always higher than GDP.
- (ii) If GDP is greater than GNP, then net factor income earned abroad is negative.

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i)
- (B) Only (ii)
- (C) Both (i) and (ii)
- (D) Neither (i) nor (ii)

90. Assertion (A) :

The development programmes undertaken in India are oriented towards economic growth along with social justice.

Reason (R) :

Indian economy is afflicted with poverty, unemployment and inequalities.

Select the correct answer from the following options.

- (A) Both (A) and (R) are correct, and (R) is the correct explanation for (A)
- (B) Both (A) and (R) are correct, but (R) is not the correct explanation for (A)
- (C) (A) is correct, but (R) is not correct
- (D) (A) is not correct, but (R) is correct

91. Consider the following statements :

- (i) Russia recently pulled out of the Black Sea Grain Deal, which was launched to mitigate food inflation caused by the conflict in Ukraine.
- (ii) The Black Sea Grain Deal was an agreement between Russia and Ukraine with Turkey and the United Nations.
- (iii) The Black Sea Grain Deal facilitated the safe navigation of export of grain, foodstuff and fertilizers from Ukraine.

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

- (A) Both (i) and (ii)
- (B) Both (i) and (iii)
- (C) Only (ii)
- (D) Neither (i) nor (ii)

92. Which of the following is the theme of the World Rhino Day, 2022?

- (A) Conservation of Rhinos
- (B) Campaign for Rhinos
- (C) Five Rhino Species Forever
- (D) Say No to Poaching

93. What is the unique feature of the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM)' design coins, recently launched by the Prime Minister?

- (A) Visually impaired friendly coin
- (B) Bronze coin
- (C) Eight scalloped coin
- (D) Aluminium-Magnesium coin

94. Which one of the following capital cities of the North-Eastern region is proposed to be connected with Bangladesh via rail route as part of the Act East Policy?

- (A) Agartala
- (B) Guwahati
- (C) Imphal
- (D) Shillong

95. The initiative taken by the Ministry of Education, Government of India with the aim to strengthen schools through community and private sector involvement in schools across the country is named as

- (A) Vidyakalpa
- (B) Vidyasahayata
- (C) Vidyanirman
- (D) Vidyanjali

96. Which of the following sectors are identified as focus areas by the NITI Forum for North-East?

- (A) Bamboo, Dairy, Pisciculture, Tea, Tourism
- (B) Tea, Bamboo, Jute, Honey, Wheat
- (C) Tea, Tourism, Agar, Rubber, Honey
- (D) Tea, Bamboo, Pisciculture, Dairy, Rubber

97. Which of the following combinations of the Ramsar Sites and the States of North-East India, where they are located, are correct?

- (i) Rudrasagar Lake—Assam
- (ii) Loktak Lake—Manipur
- (iii) Deepor Beel—Assam
- (iv) Pala Wetlands—Meghalaya

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

- (A) Only (i) and (iii)
- (B) Only (ii) and (iv)
- (C) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (D) Only (iii) and (iv)

98. Consider the following statements about the Varman dynasty :

- (i) Mahendravarman was the founder of the dynasty.
- (ii) Pushyavarman performed two horse sacrifice rituals.
- (iii) Chinese pilgrim Hieun Tsang visited Kamarupa during the reign of Bhaskaravarman.

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

- (A) (i), (ii) and (iii)
- (B) Only (i) and (iii)
- (C) Only (ii) and (iii)
- (D) Only (iii)

99. Match the places in Assam (List-I) with the districts where they are located (List-II) :

List-I List-II

- | | |
|-----------------|------------------|
| a. Murkongselek | 1. Goalpara |
| b. Katlicherra | 2. Karbi Anglong |
| c. Tukeswari | 3. Hailakandi |
| d. Bokolia | 4. Dhemaji |

Select the correct answer using the codes given below.

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

100. Consider the following events about the year 1926 in the context of Assam :

- (i) Birth of Dr. Bhupen Hazarika
- (ii) Annual Session of the INC at Pandu
- (iii) Formation of Assam Pradeshik Mahila Samiti

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

- (A) Only (i) and (ii)
- (B) Only (ii)
- (C) Only (i) and (iii)
- (D) (i), (ii) and (iii)