WEEKLY QUIZ

DATE: 2nd Sept-8th Sept

- 1. In the case of Mithu vs. State of Punjab (1983), which articles of the Indian Constitution did the Supreme Court declare violated by the mandatory death sentence?
 - a) Article 19 and Article 21
 - b) Article 14 and Article 21
 - c) Article 15 and Article 19
 - d) Article 16 and Article 22
- 2. What is the primary purpose of the Poshan Tracker initiative launched by the Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD)?
 - a) To provide financial assistance to pregnant women
 - b) To promote school education for children in rural areas
 - c) To monitor the growth and nutrition of children in real-time using WHO growth charts
 - d) To distribute food grains to underprivileged families
- 3. What is the primary purpose of the Vishvasya-Blockchain Technology Stack launched by the Government of India?
 - a) To regulate cryptocurrency usage in India
 - b) To provide a public blockchain network for all users
 - c) To centralize blockchain infrastructure for government institutions
 - d) To offer Blockchain-as-a-Service (BaaS) for developing permissioned blockchain applications
- 4. What is financialisation in the context of economic activities?
 - a) When the government increases direct

control over the financial sector

- b) When financial markets and institutions dominate economic activities, overshadowing production and investment
- c) When economic activities focus entirely on manufacturing and agriculture
- d) When global trade increases the dependence on foreign exchange markets
- 5. What is the primary purpose of the India
 Graphene Engineering and Innovation Centre
 (IGEIC) launched by the Ministry of
 Electronics and IT (MeitY)?
 - a) To focus solely on academic research related to graphene
 - b) To regulate the import and export of graphene in India
 - c) To bridge the gap between graphene R&D and commercialization
 - d) To promote the export of graphene-based products to international markets
- 6. Consider the following statements regarding Quantum Theory and General Relativity:
- 1. Quantum Theory explains the behavior of matter and energy at small scales, such as subatomic particles.
- 2. General Relativity describes the motion of large objects in gravitational fields, such as planets and stars.
- 3. Quantum Theory and General Relativity are fully compatible and have been unified under a single theory of quantum gravity.

 Which of the above statements is/are correct?

a) 1 and 2 only

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- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2, and 3
- 7. Which of the following is not a characteristic of graphene?
 - a) Stronger than steel
 - b) Conducts electricity
 - c) Heavier than lead
 - d) Biocompatible
- 8. Consider the following statements about blockchain technology:
- 1. Each block in the blockchain contains encrypted data, which makes it tamper-proof.
- 2. Blockchain operates on a decentralized network, which means no single entity controls the data.
- 3. Smart contracts are used in blockchain to enable self-executing contracts, which automatically enforce agreements. How many of the above statements is/are incorrect?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) All three
 - d) None
- 9. Consider the following statements about the risks of financialisation:
- 1. Excessive financialisation can lead to inflated asset prices, making markets vulnerable to crashes.
- 2. Financialisation tends to benefit wealthy individuals more than lower-income groups, contributing to economic inequality.
- 3. Increased financialisation generally decreases the overall debt levels in an economy.

 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) 1 and 2 only
 - b) 2 and 3 only
 - c) 1 and 3 only
 - d) 1, 2, and 3

- 10. Consider the following statements regarding graphene:
- 1. Graphene is made of pure carbon, like graphite, but with a different structure.
- 2. It has the potential to revolutionize the electronics and aerospace industries.
- 3. Graphene has natural magnetic properties that make it ideal for magnetic storage devices.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2, and 3
- 11. What does the term "Black Coat Syndrome" refer to?
 - a) A medical condition related to wearing black coats
 - b) The anxiety and fear experienced by ordinary citizens in courtrooms
 - c) A fashion trend among lawyers
 - d) A term used to describe corruption in the judiciary
- 12. What is the primary significance of the FWD 200B UAV developed by Flying Wedge Defence and Aerospace (FWDA)?
 - a) It is India's first indigenous combat unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV)
 - b) It is the world's first supersonic UAV
 - c) It is the first UAV capable of underwater operations
 - d) It is a commercial drone for agricultural purposes
- 13. What is the main focus of the "VishanuYuddh Abhyas" mock drill?
 - a) Strengthening military response during biowarfare
 - b) Evaluating India's preparedness for zoonotic disease outbreaks
 - c) Testing the response to chemical disasters
 - d) Improving Road accident emergency services



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- 14. What is the most significant advantage of the GNSS-based Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) system over the current FASTag system?
 - a) Toll charges are based on vehicle type, not distance travelled
 - b) It eliminates the need for stopping at toll plazas
 - c) The system works without the use of satellites
 - d) It is a fully manual toll collection system
- 15. Parkinson's disease primarily affects which type of cells in the brain?
 - a) Glial cells
 - b) Neurons
 - c) Red blood cells
 - d) Epithelial cells
- 16. Consider the following statements about delimitation powers of the State Election Commissions (SECs):
- SECs are responsible for delimiting constituencies for local elections every five years.
- 2. Delimitation powers of the SEC extend to state assembly constituencies.
- 3. SECs rely on the voter list prepared by the Election Commission of India for delimitation purposes.

Which of the above statements is correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 3 only
- d) 1 and 3 only
- 17. What does Gross Fixed Capital Formation (GFCF) primarily indicate in an economy?
 - a) The total government expenditure on public welfare
 - b) The total value of consumer spending during a financial year
 - c) The total value of a country's investments in fixed assets

- d) The total value of goods and services produced by an economy
- 18. Consider the following statements about the GNSS-based Electronic Toll Collection (ETC) system:
- 1. The GNSS-based ETC system uses satellite technology to determine the vehicle's location and calculate toll charges based on the distance travelled.
- 2. The GNSS-based ETC system requires vehicles to pass through physical toll booths for toll collection.
- 3. Unlike traditional systems, the GNSS-based system allows tolls to be collected without requiring vehicles to stop at toll gates.
 How many of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) All three
 - d) None
- 19. Which of the following is considered under Gross Fixed Capital Formation (GFCF)?
 - a) Raw materials held in stock for production
 - b) Buildings and machinery used in production
 - c) Finished goods waiting for sale
 - d) All items in a company's inventory
- 20. Consider the following statements about the "VishanuYuddh Abhyas" mock drill:
- 1. The drill is a part of the National One Health Mission (NOHM).
- 2. It focuses on reducing dependency on foreign health experts in outbreak situations.
- 3. The exercise includes real-time virus identification and outbreak control measures. How many of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two

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- c) All three
- d) None
- 21. Consider the following statements about Lothal:
- 1. Lothal was one of the southernmost cities of the Harappan civilization, located in presentday Gujarat.
- 2. It had an advanced drainage system, similar to that of Mohenjo-Daro and Harappa.
- 3. The Sabarmati River still flows close to Lothal, making it a key archaeological site with continuous river access.

Which of the above statements is correct?

- a) 1, 2, and 3
- b) 1 and 3 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1 and 2 only
- 22. How does Brunei contribute to India's Indo-Pacific vision?
 - a) by offering naval bases to India
 - b) by being a nuclear weapons state
 - c) by being located in a strategic area of the South China Sea
 - d) by being a direct military ally of India
- 23. What is the primary focus of OpenAI's Project Strawberry?
 - a) Creating an AI-based agricultural tool
 - b) Generating synthetic biology models for pharmaceutical research
 - c) Developing an advanced AI model with enhanced math, programming, and reasoning skills
 - d) Addressing cybersecurity threats through AI
- 24. What is the primary objective of the Krishi Nivesh Portal?
 - a) To track agricultural exports
 - b) To improve crop yield forecasting
 - c) To enhance transparency in agricultural investments

- d) To promote sustainable farming techniques
- 25. Consider the following statements regarding the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM):
- 1. ISM operates under the Ministry of Science and Technology.
- 2. ISM has full administrative and financial powers to implement semiconductor-related schemes.
- 3. ISM focuses exclusively on the design and research of semiconductors, not on manufacturing.

Which of the above statements is correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2 only
- d) 1 and 3 only
- 26. Consider the following statements about the dockyard at Lothal:
- 1. Lothal's dockyard was connected to the Indus River, which facilitated maritime trade.
- 2. The dockyard is one of the oldest known examples of water transport infrastructure in the world.
- 3. Lothal's dockyard primarily handled goods traded with the western region of Mesopotamia.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- 27. Consider the following statements about the advancements expected in Project Strawberry:
- Project Strawberry will bring AI capabilities closer to Artificial General Intelligence (AGI).

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- 2. It aims to integrate real-time access to internet searches into its capabilities.
- 3. The project focuses primarily on enhancing AI's creative writing skills.
 - Which of the above statements is correct?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 1 and 2 only
 - c) 1 and 3 only
 - d) 1, 2, and 3
- 28. Consider the following statements regarding Glacial Lake Outburst Floods (GLOF):
- 1. GLOFs are caused by the failure of unstable dams made of ice or loose sediment around glacial lakes.
- 2. Glacial lakes are primarily formed due to water accumulating from rainfall.
- 3. GLOFs can cause downstream flooding and are triggered by natural events such as ice avalanches or earthquakes.
 - Which of the above statements is correct?
 - a) 1, 2, and 3
 - b) 1 and 2 only
 - c) 2 and 3 only
 - d) 1 and 3 only
- 29. Which of the following statements about Brunei's significance for India is/are correct?
- 1. Brunei is a major oil and gas exporter, which aligns with India's energy security needs.
- 2. Brunei is a key player in ASEAN, a regional organization that is central to India's 'Act East' Policy.
- 3. Brunei is directly involved in India's Quad alliance with the U.S., Japan, and Australia. Select the correct answer code:
 - a) 1 and 2 only
 - b) 2 and 3 only
 - c) 1 and 3 only
 - d) 1, 2, and 3

- 30. Consider the following statements regarding the focus areas of AgriSURE Agri Fund for Start-Ups & Rural Enterprises:
- 1. The fund primarily focuses on farm mechanization and technology-driven start-ups.
- 2. It aims to increase youth participation in agriculture.
- 3. It specifically funds research projects related to agricultural biotechnology. How many of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) All three
 - d) None
- 31. Which of the following accurately describes the Munich Agreement of 1938?
 - a) It was a peace treaty signed between Germany and the Soviet Union.
 - b) It was a treaty to end World War II.
 - c) It was a non-aggression pact signed between the United States and Germany.
 - d) It allowed Nazi Germany to annex the Sudetenland region of Czechoslovakia
- 32. Which of the following is not considered a motor symptom of Parkinson's disease?
 - a) Tremors
 - b) Bradykinesia
 - c) Gastrointestinal symptoms
 - d) Dystonia
- 33. Which operation was initiated to address the wolf attacks in Bahraich, Uttar Pradesh?
 - a) Operation Leopard
 - b) Operation Jungle Watch
 - c) Operation Shikaar
 - d) Operation Bhediya
- 34. Consider the following statements about the Indian Gray Wolf:

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- 1. It is listed in Schedule I of the Wildlife (Protection) Act of 1972 in India, granting it the highest level of protection.
- 2. The Indian Gray Wolf is classified under Appendix III of CITES, reflecting its vulnerability in international trade.
- 3. The Indian Gray Wolf is a critically endangered species, as per the IUCN Red List.

Which of the statements given above is correct?

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 3 only
- 35. Which body of water does Sudan share a coastline with?
 - a) Mediterranean Sea
 - b) Arabian Sea
 - c) Red Sea
 - d) Atlantic Ocean
- 36. Consider the following statements regarding the Ramon Magsaysay Award:
- 1. The award is given only to citizens of Southeast Asia.
- 2. It was established to honor the then president of the Philippines, Ramon Magsaysay.
- Recipients of the award receive a medallion, a certificate, and not a cash prize.Which of the statements given above is correct?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 2 only
 - c) 3 only
 - d) 1 and 3 only
- 37. Match the following terms with their descriptions in the context of wildlife conservation:

List I (Term) — List II (Description)

A. IUCN Least Concern — 1. International trade in species is regulated

- B. CITES Appendix I 2. Highest level of protection under Indian law
- C. Wildlife (Protection) Act, Schedule I 3. Species not currently at significant global risk D. Endangered 4. Species at high risk of extinction in the wild
- a) A-3, B-1, C-2, D-4
- b) A-1, B-3, C-2, D-4
- c) A-4, B-3, C-1, D-2
- d) A-2, B-4, C-1, D-3
- 38. Consider the following statements regarding mitochondrial dynamics in Parkinson's disease:
- 1. Mitochondria are static structures that maintain a fixed size and location in the cell.
- 2. Imbalances in mitochondrial dynamics are linked to neurodegenerative diseases, including Parkinson's disease.
- 3. Mitochondrial dysfunction is considered one of the underlying causes of the cell death observed in Parkinson's disease.

 How many of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) All three
 - d) None
- 39. Consider the following statements regarding the legal and regulatory frameworks for groundwater management in India:
- 1. Article 21 of the Indian Constitution recognizes the fundamental right to clean water as part of the right to life.
- 2. The Model Groundwater Bills empower state boards to manage water resources by creating laws at the state level.
- 3. The Polluter Pays Principle is used to mandate that the government, not the polluter, bears the cost of groundwater contamination cleanup.

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How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- 40. Which of the following characteristics distinguishes the Asiatic cheetah from the African cheetah?
 - a) Larger body size
 - b) Darker coat
 - c) Presence of red eyes
 - d) Stronger bite force
- 41. Which of the following criteria is not required for a CPSE to achieve Maharatna status?
 - a) Average annual turnover exceeding ₹25,000 crore in the last 3 years
 - b) Listed on the Indian stock exchange with prescribed public shareholding
 - c) Must have a Composite score of 60 or above in specific performance indicators
 - d) Significant global presence or international operations
- 42. Consider the following statements regarding the 'Aravalli' helicopter engine project:
- 1. The 'Aravalli' engine is being developed exclusively for the Indian Multi-Role Helicopter (IMRH).
- 2. The partnership between HAL and SAFHAL Helicopter Engines Pvt. Ltd. is part of India's strategy to enhance indigenous aerospace capabilities.
- 3. The 'Aravalli' engine project involves collaboration with Russian aerospace companies for technology transfer.

 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) 2 only
 - b) 1 and 2 only

- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 2 and 3 only
- 43. Consider the following statements regarding Project NAMAN:
- 1. Project NAMAN is an initiative by the Indian Army to streamline pension processes for Defence Pensioners and Veterans.
- 2. The project relies on the SPARSH digital pension system, which is managed entirely by the Indian government without any private sector involvement.
- Common Service Centres (CSCs) under
 Project NAMAN are managed by veterans or
 their families, ensuring community
 involvement in service delivery.

 How many of the above statements is/are
 correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) All three
 - d) None
- 44. Consider the following statements about the characteristics of cyclones:
- Cyclones are intense systems of air circulation around a low-pressure center.
- 2. Tropical cyclones can occur in both midlatitude and tropical regions.
- 3. Cyclones rotate in opposite directions in the Northern and Southern Hemispheres due to the Coriolis effect.

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

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- 45. Consider the following statements about the procedures under the e-Dispute Resolution Scheme (e-DRS) 2022:
- 1. The Dispute Resolution Committees (DRCs) can modify orders, reduce or waive penalties under this scheme.
- 2. The DRCs must issue decisions within nine months from the date of application.
- 3. The scheme is available across multiple regional jurisdictions in India.
 How many of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) All three
 - d) None
- 46. Which countries are the initial signatories of the memorandum of understanding (MoU) establishing the Colombo Security Conclave (CSC) Secretariat?
 - a) India, Bangladesh, Myanmar, and Sri Lanka
 - b) India, Nepal, Bhutan, and Sri Lanka
 - c) India, Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Sri Lanka
 - d) India, Sri Lanka, Maldives, and Mauritius
- 47. Consider the following statements regarding the 'Navratna' status in India:
- 1. 'Navratna' status grants CPSEs complete autonomy in financial and operational matters without any government oversight.
- 2. The 'Navratna' status is awarded based on the performance and profitability of the CPSE.
- 3. With the recent additions, there are now 100 CPSEs that hold 'Navratna' status.
 Which of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) 2 only
 - b) 1 only

- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 2 and 3 only
- 48. Consider the following statements regarding the Colombo Security Conclave (CSC):
- 1. The CSC aims to address transnational threats by enhancing cooperation in areas like maritime safety, counter-terrorism, and cyber security.
- 2. The CSC Secretariat is based in Colombo, Sri Lanka, and was established to reinforce regional security cooperation among member nations.
- 3. The MoU for the CSC includes provisions for economic integration among member states, including the establishment of a free trade area.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- 49. Consider the following statements about the expected outcomes of the Vehicle Scrappage Policy:
- 1. The policy will lead to a reduction in air pollution by removing older, more polluting vehicles from the roads.
- 2. The policy will mandate the use of electric vehicles as replacements for all scrapped vehicles.
- 3. The policy will help in reducing the consumption of non-renewable resources by promoting the recycling of materials from scrapped vehicles.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

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



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- 50. Which of the following acts established the Central Ground Water Authority (CGWA) for framing policies and programs related to groundwater management?

 a) Indian Easement Act, 1882
- b) National Green Tribunal Act, 2010
- c) Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974
- d) Environment (Protection) Act, 1986

