WEEKLY QUIZ

DATE: 6th Jan- 12th Jan

- 1) Who was the first chairperson of the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI)?
 - a) Smt. Menaka Gandhi
 - b) Dr. Salim Ali
 - c) Smt. Rukmini Devi Arundale
 - d) Dr. S. Radhakrishnan
- **2)** Which of the following are advanced features of the Indian Customs Electronic Gateway (ICEGATE) platform?
 - 1. Real-time tracking of customs clearance processes.
 - 2. Automatic error correction in trade data.
 - 3. Integration with international customs systems for data sharing.
 - 4. Providing traders with mobile app support for documentation. Select the correct answer:
 - a) 1 and 3 only
 - b) 1, 2, and 4 only
 - c) 1, 2, 3, and 4
 - d) 1, 3, and 4 only
- **3)** The Blue Flag Certification is awarded by which of the following organizations?
 - a) United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
 - b) International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)
 - c) Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE)
 - d) Global Environment Facility (GEF)
- 4) Consider the following statements about the Genome India Project:
 - 1. It is fully funded by private organizations to avoid governmental influence.
 - 2. The genetic data collected is stored at the Indian Biological Data Centre.
 - 3. The project aims to study genetic disorders prevalent in Indian populations.
 - How many of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) All three
 - d) None
- **5)** Consider the following statements regarding reports published by the World Economic Forum (WEF):
 - 1. The Global Gender Gap Report highlights gender disparities across nations.
 - 2. The Energy Transition Index assesses countries' energy systems for sustainability.
 - 3. The Global Environment Report evaluates the state of biodiversity worldwide.
 - 4. The Global Trade Index ranks countries on trade facilitation and logistics.
 - How many of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) Only three
 - d) All four

- **6)** Consider the following statements about the Future of Jobs Report, 2025:
 - 1. It is released annually by the World Economic Forum.
 - 2. The report emphasizes the growing demand for sustainability-related jobs.
 - 3. It identifies the gig economy as a key driver of employment growth.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- a) 2 and 3 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2, and 3
- 7) Consider the following statements regarding the Z-Morh Tunnel's strategic importance:
 - 1. It is critical for the all-weather connectivity of the NH1 Srinagar-Leh Highway.
 - 2. The tunnel bypasses stretches vulnerable to avalanches, ensuring uninterrupted civilian and military movement.
 - 3. It supports India's Act East Policy by connecting Ladakh to Arunachal Pradesh.
 - How many of the above statements is/are incorrect?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) All three
 - d) None
- **8)** Which of the following are correct regarding the structure and operations of Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI)?
 - 1. It functions under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
 - 2. It collaborates with universities to promote legal training on animal cruelty.
 - 3. It conducts inspections of slaughterhouses and zoos. How many of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) All three
 - d) None
- **9)** Consider the following statements regarding Blue Flag Certification:
 - 1. Blue Flag Certification emphasizes the use of renewable energy in beach operations.
 - 2. Certification criteria include limiting the number of visitors to reduce environmental impact.
 - Which of the following are correct?
 - a) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct, and Statement II is the correct explanation for Statement I.
 - b) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct, but Statement II is not the correct explanation for Statement I.
 - c) Statement I is correct, but Statement II is incorrect.
 - d) Statement I is incorrect, but Statement II is correct.



- **10)** Consider the following statements regarding the Future of Jobs Report, 2025:
 - 1. The Future of Jobs Report, 2025, projects that technology adoption will eliminate more jobs than it creates.
 - 2. The report suggests that reskilling and upskilling are critical to managing the impact of technological disruptions. Which of the following are correct?
 - a) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct, and Statement II is the correct explanation for Statement I.
 - b) Both Statement I and Statement II are correct, but Statement II is not the correct explanation for Statement I.
 - c) Statement I is incorrect, but Statement II is correct.
 - d) Statement I is correct, but Statement II is incorrect.
- **11)** AnemiaPhone, a novel diagnostic tool, offers several advantages in anemia detection. Which of the following benefits does it provide?
 - 1. Non-invasive anemia detection without the need for blood samples.
 - 2. Immediate results facilitating on-the-spot clinical decisions.
 - 3. Integration with digital platforms for data management and analysis.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- **12)** With reference to the recalculated coastline of India, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The recalculated length of the coastline incorporates estuaries, bays, and inlets, unlike the previous method.
 - 2. Gujarat has the longest coastline among all states after the recalculation.
 - 3. The recalculation was carried out by the Ministry of Earth Sciences.

How many of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- **13)** With reference to the Flamingo Festival 2025, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The festival celebrates the annual migration of flamingos to Pulicat Lake and Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary.
 - 2. Pulicat Lake, one of the key sites for the festival, is the largest brackish water lake in India.
 - 3. Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary is known as the largest breeding site for spot-billed pelicans in Southeast Asia.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1 and 3 only
- d) 1, 2, and 3
- 14) Which of the following objectives align with the Microsoft and IndiaAI partnership?
 - 1. Promoting indigenous AI capabilities and solutions.
 - 2. Accelerating the deployment of AI-based healthcare technologies in rural areas.
 - 3. Establishing India's dominance in the global AI compute infrastructure market.

Select the correct solution using the code given below:

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

- **15)** Which of the following are benefits of the Miyawaki Technique?
 - 1. It supports biodiversity by creating habitats for various species.
 - 2. It enhances groundwater recharge in areas with depleted water tables.
 - 3. It significantly lowers the carbon footprint of the soil preparation process.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- **16)** Consider the following statements about the IndiaAl Mission:
 - 1. It integrates AI solutions into citizen-centric sectors like healthcare and education.
 - 2. The mission has established a policy for mandatory data sharing across all government agencies.
 - 3. It includes AI research grants to encourage academia-industry collaboration.

How many of the above statements is/are incorrect?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- 17) With reference to the Gaddi Dog, consider the following statements:
 - 1. The Gaddi Dog is officially recognized as an indigenous breed by the National Bureau of Animal Genetic Resources (NBAGR).
 - 2. It is primarily used for guarding agricultural crops in the Himalayan region.
 - 3. The breed is known for its resilience against extreme cold and high altitudes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 1, 2, and 3
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1 and 3 only
- **18)** With reference to the Bhashini Initiative, consider the following statements:
 - 1. It aims to provide AI-based language translation tools for all scheduled languages in India.
 - 2. The initiative is exclusively implemented by the Ministry of Education.
 - 3. It seeks to make digital services accessible to non-English speaking populations.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 1, 2, and 3
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1 and 3 only
- **19)** Consider the following statements about Pulicat Lake:
 - 1. It is situated at the Andhra Pradesh-Tamil Nadu border, with a majority of the lake lying in Tamil Nadu.
 - 2. The lake supports significant fisheries and is a source of livelihood for local communities.
 - 3. It is a recognized Ramsar site for its ecological importance. How many of the above statements are correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) All three
 - d) None



- Which of the following best explains the role of the jet stream in polar vortex disruptions?
 - a) It strengthens the vortex by confining cold air at the poles.
 - b) It facilitates heat transfer between the poles and equator.
 - c) It weakens during Sudden Stratospheric Warming, causing the vortex to wobble.
 - d) It intensifies cyclogenesis in tropical regions
- **21)** Consider the following statements about Saint Narahari Tirtha:
 - 1. He was a prominent disciple of Madhvacharya and propagated Dvaita philosophy.
 - 2. He composed devotional songs in Kannada under the pen name Raghukulatilaka.
 - 3. He established the first Vaishnavite educational institution in Kalinga.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- **22)** Consider the following statements regarding consumer access to renewable energy under the Electricity (Promoting Renewable Energy Through Green Energy Open Access) Rules, 2022:
 - 1. Consumers can demand green power from their Discoms.
 - 2. Consumers using green power are eligible for green certificates.
 - 3. Open access is available only to commercial and industrial users.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 2 only
- c) 2 and 3
- d) 1, 2, and 3
- **23)** Which unique feature distinguishes the Anji Khad Bridge from other railway bridges in India?
 - a) It is India's longest railway bridge.
 - b) It is located at the highest altitude for any rail bridge in India.
 - c) It is built entirely of prefabricated steel components.
 - d) It is India's first cable-stayed rail bridge.
- **24)** Which geographical feature significantly influences the climate and landscape of Burkina Faso?
 - a) Sahel region
 - b) Congo Basin
 - c) Ethiopian Highlands
 - d) Rift Valley
- **25)** Consider the following features of the Environment Relief Fund (Amendment) Scheme, 2024:
 - 1. Compensation is paid to victims of hazardous chemical exposure.
 - 2. Funds are invested in public financial institutions to ensure liquidity.
 - It mandates that SPCBs allocate 10% of the fund for public awareness programs.
 - 4. The scheme applies to cases registered under the Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991.
 - How many of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) Only three
 - d) All four
- What is the primary function of microRNAs (miRNAs) in cellular processes?
 - a) Transcriptional activation of target genes
 - b) Post-transcriptional regulation of gene expression
 - c) Direct protein synthesis in the cytoplasm
 - d) Repair of DNA damage in the nucleus

- **27)** What makes sonobuoys essential in anti-submarine warfare (ASW)?
 - a) Their ability to detect submarines using laser technology
 - b) Continuous operation for extended periods without surface support
 - c) Deployment of sonar drones for underwater surveillance
 - d) Real-time acoustic signal detection and communication with surface
- **28)** What is the primary cause of tidal tail formation in galaxies?
 - a) Accretion of interstellar gas from neighboring stars
 - b) Supernova explosions in the core of the galaxy
 - c) Gravitational interactions during close encounters or mergers of galaxies
 - d) High rotational velocity of spiral galaxies
- **29)** Consider the following statements regarding sonobuoys:
 - 1. Statement-I: Sonobuoys play a critical role in enhancing undersea domain awareness (UDA).
 - 2. Statement-II: They are designed to detect, track, and classify underwater objects like submarines and torpedoes.

Which of the following are correct?

- a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, andStatement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-Ib) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, andStatement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect
- d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct
- **30)** Consider the following statements about Burkina Faso's geography:
 - 1. It is a landlocked country in West Africa.
 - 2. The Niger River forms its northern border.
 - 3. Its landscape is predominantly dominated by savannahs and plateaus.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- **31)** Consider the following statements.
 - 1. Statement-I: The Harappan script is primarily undeciphered with no confirmed linguistic connections.
 - 2. Statement-II: It appears only on seals depicting animal motifs like unicorns and bulls.

Select the correct answer code:

- a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, andStatement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-Ib) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct, andStatement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
- c) Statement-I is correct, but Statement-II is incorrect
- d) Statement-I is incorrect, but Statement-II is correct
- **32)** Consider the following statements about the Indian National Anthem:
 - 1. It was first sung at the Indian National Congress session in 1927.
 - 2. The Anthem consists of five stanzas, but only the first stanza is officially recognized.
 - 3. The lyrics of the National Anthem include the word "India" in its original composition.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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



- Which of the following features makes Umred-Pauni-Karhandla Wildlife Sanctuary ecologically significant?
 - a) Presence of unique alpine vegetation
 - b) Exclusive habitat for Gangetic river dolphins
 - c) It serves as a tiger corridor connecting Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve
 - d) Largest wetland ecosystem in Maharashtra
- **34)** In December, artesian water flow in Taranagar, Jaisalmer, Rajasthan, revealed unique geological features, dispelling myths like the Saraswati River. Consider the following statements about the artesian condition:
 - 1. Artesian aquifers must have an overlying impermeable layer
 - 2. Artesian water always gushes out with high force.
 - 3. Artesian conditions can reveal subsurface hydrogeological structures.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- **35)** Consider the following statements about the guidelines for singing or playing the National Anthem:
 - 1. The Anthem must always be sung in a group setting; individual singing is not permitted.
 - 2. The Anthem can be played in instrumental form without accompanying vocals.
 - 3. The tempo of the Anthem must conform to the officially prescribed timing.

Which of the above statements are correct?

- a) 1 and 2
- b) 1, 2, and 3
- c) 1 and 3
- d) 2 and 3
- **36)** Consider the following statements about the BHARATPOL Portal:
 - 1. It facilitates coordination between state police departments in India.
 - 2. It provides a centralized platform for INTERPOL-related operations.
 - 3. It supports the issuance of color-coded notices like Blue Notices and Red Notices.
 - 4. It enhances field-level officers' efficiency in handling international crimes.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) Only three
- d) All four
- **37)** Which of the following is NOT a feature of the UGC Draft Regulations 2025 for Vice-Chancellor (VC) appointments?
 - a) Allowing only academic professionals to apply for the post of VC
 - b) Emphasizing inclusivity for SC, ST, and OBC candidates
 - c) Barring non-compliant institutions from UGC funding
- **38)** Consider the following statements about the PLI Scheme 1.1 for specialty steel:
 - 1. It seeks to reduce India's dependency on imports of specialty steel.
 - 2. It mandates the use of 100% indigenous raw materials for eligibility.
 - 3. It includes categories like Alloy Steel Products and Electrical Steel.

Which of the above statements are correct?

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

- **39)** Consider the following statements about the features of the Organic Fisheries Cluster:
 - 1. It incorporates advanced Biofloc technology for organic fish farming.
 - 2. It is part of the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY).
 - 3. It encourages intensive aquaculture practices to maximize vields.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- **40)** Consider the following statements about Umred-Pauni-Karhandla Wildlife Sanctuary:
 - 1. It is home to both tigers and leopards.
 - 2. It is a recognized Ramsar wetland site.
 - 3. It provides a habitat for species like Indian gaur and wild dogs. Which of the above statements are correct?
 - a) 1 only
 - b) 1 and 3
 - c) 2 and 3
 - d) 1, 2, and 3
- 41) Which ministry organizes Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD)?
 - a) Ministry of Home Affairs
 - b) Ministry of External Affairs
 - c) Ministry of Culture
 - d) Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs
- **42)** Consider the following statements regarding the draft Digital Personal Data Protection Rules:
 - 1. Statement-I: The Draft Rules aim to balance regulation with innovation to support startups and MSMEs.
 - 2. Statement-II: The compliance requirements for all data fiduciaries are uniform, regardless of their scale or operations. Which one of the following is correct in respect of the above statements?
 - a) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is the correct explanation for Statement-I
 - b) Both Statement-I and Statement-II are correct and Statement-II is not the correct explanation for Statement-I
 - c) Statement-I is correct but Statement-II is incorrect
 - d) Statement-I is incorrect but Statement-II is correct
- **43)** Which globally endangered species is found on the Little Nicobar Island, a part of Southern Nicobar?
 - a) Leatherback Turtle
 - b) Olive Ridley Turtle
 - c) Hawksbill Turtle
 - d) Green Turtle
- **44)** What is the key significance of the discovery of Homo juluensis?
 - a) It represents the first human species to use fire for cooking.
 - b) It is the only human species found exclusively in Europe.
 - c) It establishes the direct ancestry of modern Homo sapiens.
 - d) It provides evidence of coexistence with Denisovans during the Pleistocene epoch.
- **45)** Consider the following statements about the POEM-4 mission:
 - 1. It was ISRO's first mission to include agricultural experiments in space.
 - 2. The mission marked the first use of India's space robotic arm.
 - 3. It demonstrated advancements in space sustainability using modular payload designs.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None

- **46)** Consider the following statements regarding Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD):
 - 1. It promotes partnerships between India and its diaspora for national development.
 - 2. Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Awards are conferred during PBD celebrations.
 - 3. It was initially an annual event but later changed to a biennial celebration.
 - 4. The event seeks to enhance India's soft power globally. How many of the above statements is/are correct?
 - a) Only one
 - b) Only two
 - c) Only three
 - d) All four
- **47)** What is the primary feature of the Pig-Butchering Scam?
 - a) Victims are lured into fraudulent real estate schemes
 - b) Fake profits are shown to victims on fabricated online trading platforms
 - c) Victims are coerced into smuggling illicit goods
 - d) Scammers steal personal data through phishing emails
- **48)** Consider the following statements about the evolutionary context of Homo juluensis:
 - 1. Homo juluensis is a direct ancestor of modern Homo sapiens.
 - 2. They likely shared genetic material with Denisovans.
 - 3. Their tool usage indicates advanced agricultural practices. Which of the above statements are correct?
 - a) 1 and 2 only

- b) 2 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 1 and 3 only
- **49)** Consider the following statements about the strategic importance of the Jammu Railway Division:
 - 1. It enhances regional connectivity in Jammu and Kashmir.
 - 2. It supports India's defense logistics in border areas.
 - 3. It facilitates eco-tourism by improving access to remote locations.

How many of the above statements is/are correct?

- a) Only one
- b) Only two
- c) All three
- d) None
- **50)** Consider the following statements about the Southern Nicobarese Tribe:
 - 1. They are classified as a Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG).
 - 2. They practice shifting cultivation as their primary livelihood.
 - 3. Their traditions emphasize sustainable use of natural resources. Which of the above statements are correct?
 - a) 1 and 3 only
 - b) 2 and 3 only
 - c) 1 and 2 only
 - d) 1, 2, and 3

