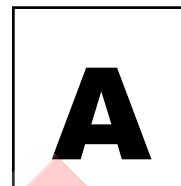

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Q.1) Which of the following statements correctly explains the meaning of 'parliamentary executive'?

- Executive where there is a parliament.
- Executive elected by the parliament.
- Where the parliament functions as the Executive.
- Executive that is dependent on support of the majority in the parliament.

Q.2) Which of the following powers are enjoyed exclusively by the Lok Sabha in Parliament?

- Initiation of the money bills
- Constitutional amendment
- Impeachment of the President
- Passing of the No-confidence motion

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- 1 and 4 only
- 3 and 4 only
- 1, 2 and 3 only
- 2, 3 and 4 only

Q.3) With reference to the Union Council of Ministers, consider the following statements:

- A person who is not a member of either House of Parliament can also be appointed as a Minister.
- The resignation of the Prime Minister automatically brings about the dissolution of the Council of Ministers.

3. A Minister has to accept all the decisions of the cabinet.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 3 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

Q.4) Which of the following statements with reference to the Panchayati Raj Institutions is/are *not* correct?

- The Constitution has made a 3-tier structure mandatory for Panchayati Raj Institutions all over the country.
- If a Panchayat is dissolved before completing its term, a re-elected Panchayat only continues for the remainder of the original term.
- Gram Sabha includes all the residents of a village above 21 years of age.

Select the correct option using the code given below:

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

Q.5) Consider the following statements regarding “UN Human Rights Council”:

1. The council replaced the United Nations Commission on Human Rights in 2006.
2. Members of the councils are not eligible for immediate re-election after serving one term.
3. It can pass binding resolutions by majority vote against human rights violations in member states.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.6) With reference to the public accounts committee (PAC), consider the following statements:

1. It consists of members from both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha.
2. Chairman of the committee generally belongs to the ruling party.
3. Excess grant needs to be approved by the PAC before being submitted to the Lok Sabha for voting.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.7) With reference to Panchayats (Extension to the Scheduled Areas) Act (PESA Act) 1996, consider the following statements:

1. Under the Act, constitution of Gram Sabha is not mandatory.
2. Under the act reservation for the Scheduled Tribes shall not be less than 50% of the total number of seats.
3. All the seats of Chairpersons of Panchayats at all levels are reserved for the Scheduled Tribes.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.8) Consider the following pairs:

<i>Committee</i>	<i>Recommendation</i>
1. Balwant Rai Mehta	Three-tier Panchayati raj system.
2. Ashok Mehta	Two-tier Panchayati raj system.
3. L M Singhvi	Panchayati Raj institutions should be constitutionally recognized.

Which of the pairs given above are correctly matched?

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

Q.9) With reference to double membership in Parliament, consider the following statements:

1. If a person is elected to two seats in a House, he can remain on both the seats for a period of 6 months.
2. If a sitting member of one House is also elected to the other House, his seat in the first House automatically becomes vacant.

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

Q.10) Which one of the following statements correctly describes 'Open Societies Pact' recently seen in news?

- a) It is a global call by Democracy International to strengthen citizens' participation and direct democracy
- b) It is an initiative of G-7 countries to reaffirm and encourage the values of "freedom of expression".
- c) It is an endorsement by UN's General Assembly towards more open and responsible governance structure across the world.
- d) It is an agreement by social media companies for more transparent handling of data.

Q.11) Consider the following statements about the Constitutional Amendment procedure In India:

1. Prior approval of the President is required to introduce a constitutional amendment bill in the parliament.
2. There is no provision for joint sitting of the two houses of parliament in case of disagreement over an amendment bill.
3. A Constitutional amendment bill can be introduced by a private member.
4. The President can return Constitutional amendment bill for the reconsideration of Parliament.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1, 3 and 4 only
- d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q.12) Consider the following statements:

1. Prime minister is Leader of the Lok Sabha even if he is member of the Rajya Sabha.
2. Leader of Opposition is entitled to the salary and allowances equivalent to a cabinet minister.
3. The office of whip was accorded statutory recognition in 1977.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.13) Consider the following pairs:

Process	Description
1. Adjournment of the house	Suspends the work of house for a specific time
2. Adjournment Sine Die	Suspends the work of house for more than one month
3. Prorogation of the house	Terminates both sitting and session of the House

Which of the pair given above is/are correctly matched?

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

Q.14) Consider the following statements:

1. The expenditure charged upon the Consolidated Fund of India cannot be discussed by the Parliament of India.
2. Salaries and Pensions of the judges of High courts are charged expenditure from Consolidated Fund of India.

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

Q.15) Consider the following statements regarding “All India Survey on Higher Education 2019-20”:

1. The survey was conducted by the Department of Higher Education, Union Ministry of Education.
2. The survey covers public as well as private institutions of Higher Education in the country.
3. According to the survey, the highest share of foreign students in India come from Afghanistan.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.16) With reference to the effects of National emergency on centre-state relations, which one of the following statements is *incorrect*?

- a) The Centre can give executive directions to a state on any matter.
- b) The Centre can make laws on any subject mentioned in the State List.
- c) The laws made by Parliament on the state subjects become inoperative six months after the emergency ends.
- d) The constitutional distribution of revenues between the center and the states cannot be altered.

Q.17) With reference to 'Contingency Fund of India', consider the following statements:

1. It is held by the Cabinet Secretary on behalf of the President.
2. The corpus of the Contingency Fund is decided by the President.

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

Q.18) Which of the following statements related to Parliamentary privileges is/are *incorrect*?

1. They are special rights and immunities enjoyed by the Parliament but not by its committees.
2. They are extended to the President and Attorney General of India.
3. Parliament can punish members as well as outsiders for breach of its privileges or its contempt.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

Q.19) With reference to the effects of President's rule in India, which of the following statements is *incorrect*?

- a) The President can take powers vested in the Governor or any other executive authority in the state.
- b) A law made by the President cannot be repealed or altered by the state legislature.
- c) The President can declare that the powers of the state legislature are to be exercised by the Parliament.
- d) The President can suspend the constitutional provisions relating to any authority in the state.

Q.20) Consider the following statements with reference to Fast Radio Bursts (FRB):

1. Fast Radio Bursts are high and dense energy particles of neutrino emitted from a Magnetar.
2. These bursts have durations of milliseconds and disappear very quickly.

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

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Q.21) Under which of the following criteria(s) can a person be disqualified from being elected as a member of a state Legislature?

1. If he/she holds any Office of Profit under the Union Government.
2. If he/she is in detention under a preventive detention law.
3. If he/she is an undischarged insolvent.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.22) The President has a role in relation to bills passed by state legislatures. With respect to this, consider the following statements:

1. The president can withhold his assent to a money bill reserved by governor for an indefinite period of time.
2. The bill returned by president has to be reconsidered by state legislature within 3 months
3. The President is not obliged to give assent to a bill presented again after reconsideration of state legislature.

Which of the statements above is/are correct?

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

Q.23) Consider the following statements:

1. The advice tendered by Council of Ministers is binding on the President of India.
2. The advice tendered by Ministers to the President cannot be inquired into in any court.

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

Q.24) Which of the following reports are laid before the Parliament by the President of India?

1. Report of Union Public Service Commission
2. Report of Comptroller and Auditor General of India
3. Report of National Human Rights Commission
4. Report of Finance commission
5. Report of Special officer for linguistic minorities

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

Q.25) Consider the following pairs:

<i>Space Mission</i>	<i>Objective</i>
1. EnVision Mission	Collection of a sample from an asteroid
2. OSIRIS-REx Mission	Study of Venus atmosphere and surface.
3. New Shephard Mission	Taking tourists to space

Which of the pairs given above is/are correctly matched?

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

Q.26) Consider the following statements:

1. The total number of ministers in the Union Council of Ministers shall not exceed 15% of the total strength of the Parliament.
2. The salaries and allowances of Union ministers are determined by the President of India.

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

Q.27) In the context President of India's power to issue ordinance, consider the following statements:

1. His/her power to issue an ordinance cannot be questioned in the court of law.
2. He/she can issue an ordinance even when one of the two Houses of Parliament is not in session.

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

Q.28) With reference to the office of Vice President in India, consider the following statements:

1. A person should be qualified for election as a member of the Rajya Sabha to be eligible for election of Vice-President.
2. The resolution to remove Vice President from the office can be introduced only in the Rajya Sabha.

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

Q.29) With reference to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act 1989, consider the following statements:

1. Any kind of insult made to persons belonging to SC or ST will be an offence under the act.
2. The Act does not generally allow the grant of anticipatory bail to an accused.
3. Under the act, there is no requirement for a preliminary inquiry before filing an FIR.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

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

Q.30) Consider the following statements:

1. Rare Earth Metals are found in loparite that occurs in alkaline igneous rocks.
2. Thorium and Uranium constitute essential components in the composition of all the Rare Earths.
3. Rare Earth materials are used as catalysts in petroleum refining and fluid cracking.
4. At present, India meets all of its rare earth metals requirements through imports.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 1 and 4 only
- c) 2 and 3 only
- d) 2 and 4 only

Q.31) With reference to Financial Emergency in India, consider the following statements:

1. A proclamation declaring financial emergency must be approved within six months from the date of its issue.
2. Once approved, it continues for one year at a time, after which it requires further approval by parliament.
3. A resolution approving the proclamation of financial emergency must be passed by either House of Parliament by a special majority.

Which of the statements given above is/are *incorrect*?

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

Q.32) Which of the following is the **not a correct** reason for considering President as the integral part of the parliament:

- a) A bill passed by both the Houses of Parliament cannot become law without the President's assent.
- b) He summons and prorogues both the Houses of Parliament.
- c) He issues ordinances when they are not in session.
- d) He is elected by both the houses of Parliament.

Q.33) In which of the following situations a bill pending in Parliament will not lapse?

- A bill pending in the Lok Sabha that originated in the Lok Sabha.
- A bill pending in the Lok Sabha that was transmitted to it by the Rajya Sabha.
- A bill pending in the Rajya Sabha but not passed by the Lok Sabha.
- A bill passed by the Lok Sabha but pending in the Rajya Sabha.

Q.34) With reference to the Adjournment motion, consider the following statements:

- It can be introduced only in the Lok Sabha and needs the support of 50 members to be admitted.
- It shouldn't raise a question of privilege.
- There is no time limit for discussion on an adjournment motion.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- 1 and 2 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

Q.35) Consider the following statements regarding 'Deep Ocean Mission':

- The mission aims to study the structure and movement of the ocean crust in order to understand ocean-weather dynamics.

2. Union Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) is the nodal Ministry for implementing Deep Ocean mission.

3. One of its components is a manned submersible to carry three people to a depth of 6000 metres in the ocean.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 and 2 only
- 2 and 3 only
- 1 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 3

Q.36) A Bill contains a borrowing clause, but does not exclusively deal with borrowing. The President's recommendation is necessary for the introduction of the bill. It can be introduced only in the Lok Sabha and not in the Rajya Sabha. It can be either rejected or amended by the Rajya Sabha.

Which one of the following bills is best described in the above paragraph?

- Constitutional Amendment Bill
- Financial Bill (I)
- Financial Bill (II)
- Money Bill

Q.37) With reference to 'Joint Sitting of Parliament', consider the following statements:

1. The provision of joint sitting of Parliament is applicable to ordinary bills and all types of financial bills.
2. Joint sitting cannot be summoned, if the bill under dispute has already lapsed due to the dissolution of the Lok Sabha.
3. In the absence of Speaker of Lok Sabha, Chairman of Rajya Sabha presides over a joint sitting of the two Houses.
4. Till now, no bill has been passed through the joint sittings of the Parliament in India.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- a) 2 only
- b) 1 and 2 only
- c) 2 and 4 only
- d) 3 and 4 only

Q.38) Which of the following persons hold offices during the pleasure of the President of India?

1. Union Council of Ministers
2. Governor of a state
3. Chief Minister of the Union territory of Delhi
4. Attorney General
5. Members of Defense service
6. Chief Election Commissioner

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

Q.39) The Forty-Second Amendment Act, 1976, is sometimes considered as the most comprehensive amendment made so far to the Constitution of India. Which of the following changes were made by it?

1. Deleted the right to property from the list of Fundamental Rights
2. Declaration of emergency by the President was made non-justiciable
3. Shifted five subjects from the state list to the concurrent list
4. Provided for administrative tribunals

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a) 1 and 3 only
- b) 2 and 4 only
- c) 3 and 4 only
- d) 2, 3 and 4 only

Q.40) Recently, the Ministry of Culture and Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways signed a Memorandum of Understanding for 'Cooperation in Development of National Maritime Heritage Complex at which one of the following places?

- a) Lothal
- b) Arikamedu
- c) Muziris
- d) Calicut

Q.41) Which of the following is/are the discretionary powers of the Governor of a state?

1. Declaration of a scheduled area under the Fifth Schedule
2. Issuing an ordinance
3. Suspensive veto over ordinary bills
4. Recommending imposition of the emergency

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- a) 1 and 2 only
- b) 3 and 4 only
- c) 1, 2 and 3 only
- d) 2, 3 and 4 only

Q.42) Who among the following is generally appointed as the Prime Minister by the President of India as per convention?

- a) Leader of the majority party in the Lok Sabha.
- b) Leader of the party which has secured largest share of votes in elections.
- c) Leader chosen by majority of members of Parliament.
- d) Leader of the largest party in the Rajya Sabha.

Q.43) Which among the following collectively form as the sources of income to Urban Local bodies in India?

1. Property Tax
2. Education cess
3. Water tax
4. User charges for services like Solid Waste Management

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

c) 1, 3 and 4 only

d) 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q.44) Which of the following statements about the evolution of Urban Local Bodies in India is/are correct?

1. The first municipal corporation in India was set up in Madras.
2. Lord Ripon is called as the 'Father of Local Self Government in India'.
3. Under the Government of India Act of 1935, local self-government was made a provincial subject.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

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

Q.45) Consider the following statements:

1. Green Hydrogen is the clean hydrogen generated by artificially synthesised oceanic algae.
2. It does not emit polluting gases either during combustion or during production.
3. It can be stored in existing gas pipelines to power household appliances.

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

Q.46) Which one of the following actions of the Parliament does not require an amendment of the Constitution?

- Abolition of legislative councils in states
- Increase in salaries of the members of Parliament
- Settlement of a boundary dispute
- Cession of Indian territory to a foreign country

Q.47) Which of the following are voluntary provisions for the states under the 73rd Constitutional Amendment?

- Indirect elections to the post of chairperson of panchayats at the intermediate and district levels.
- Endowing the Gram Sabha with powers and functions at the village level.
- Giving representation to members of the Parliament and the state legislature in the Panchayats.
- Giving representation to the chairpersons of the intermediate panchayats in the district panchayats.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- 1, 2 and 3 only
- 1, 2 and 4 only
- 1, 3 and 4 only
- 2, 3 and 4 only

Q.48) In which of the following cases, the governor can reserve the bill for the consideration of President?

- When the bill endangers the position of state high court.
- When the bill deals with compulsory acquisition of property under Article 31A of the Constitution.
- When the bill is against the larger interest of the country.
- When the bill is opposed to Article 39(b) and 39(c) of the constitution.

Select the correct answer using the code given below:

- 1 and 3 only
- 1, 3 and 4 only
- 2, 3 and 4 only
- 1, 2, 3 and 4

Q.49) Consider the following statements with reference to the consultative committees:

- A Minister cannot become member of these committees.
- These are constituted by the ministry of parliamentary affairs.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- 1 only
- 2 only
- Both 1 and 2
- Neither 1 nor 2

Q.50) With reference to 'Gain of Function' research, consider the following statements:

1. It involves inactivating mutations that results in a significant loss of original function to the pathogen.
2. These research helps in enhancing viral yield and immunogenicity for vaccine development.

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

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